

To accompany Australian Notice to Mariners 1267/2006

TORRES STRAIT COMPULSORY
PILOTAGE

The Torres Strait Compulsory Pilotage Area consists of:

Area A bounded in the south by latitude 10° 41'S, in the north by Australia's EEZ, and longitudes 141° 50'E to 142° 05'E.

Area B bounded in the south by latitude 10° 41'S, in the north by Australia's EEZ, and longitudes 142° 05'E to 143° 24'E.

All vessels of 70 metres or greater in LOA, all loaded oil tankers, chemical tankers and liquefied gas carriers when transiting through Area A with a draught of 8 metres or more must carry a pilot.

The same vessels (irrespective of draught) when transiting through Area B must carry a pilot. Defence forces vessels are exempt.

For details see Australian Seafarers Handbook AHP 20.

Note for chart Aus 296.