

To accompany Australian Notice to Mariners 1246/2012

TORRES STRAIT PILOTAGE AREA

The Torres Strait 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.

Coastal pilotage requirements apply to 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.

Coastal pilotage requirements also apply to the same vessels (irrespective of draught) when transiting through Area B. Defence forces vessels are exempt.

For details see Seafarers Handbook for Australian Waters AHP 20.

Note for chart AX 04720U.