

SPECIFIC SAFETY WARNING

- The floating components in this harbour are designed to respond to wave action generated by wind and passing vessels which can cause sudden movement to the pontoons, access gangways and moored vessels.
- The floating components in this harbour are designed to respond to the severe tidal movement experienced in these waterways.
- Caution must be exercised at all times when accessing the berths and moored vessels.
- All persons visiting this marina do so at their own risk.
- **PLEASE TAKE CARE.**

The following constitute the Queenscliff Harbour Guidelines, Rules and Regulations

1. GENERAL

- a) Only vessels in a seaworthy condition and approved by the Harbour Manager can enter the Queenscliff Harbour.
- b) The Queenscliff Harbour may not be used to moor derelict vessels or vessels in a state of disrepair.
- c) Lifesaving equipment, lifebuoys and ladders are located throughout the Queenscliff Harbour and are not to be used except in an emergency.
- d) The Queenscliff Harbour fire hose reels and fire extinguishers shall not be used for any purpose other than during an emergency.
- e) Queenscliff Harbour users shall report any fire, explosion or combustible incident to the Harbour office
- f) Vessels using the Queenscliff Harbour and adjacent waterways must not create wave wash and must remain within the maximum speed limit of 4 knots.
- g) All collisions and damage to the Queenscliff Harbour and/or vessels must be reported to the Harbour Office immediately following the incident.
- h) Living aboard vessels for a period greater than seven (7) days in the Queenscliff Harbour is not permitted. Exemptions for short term visitors and Queenscliff Harbour residents may be granted.
- i) The night lighting of vessels in the Queenscliff Harbour is to be shielded so as to be contained within the vessel and its mooring area. The use of spotlights is not permitted except in an emergency.
- j) All lines, rigging, halyards and loose fittings on vessels must be properly secured at all times so as to prevent noise and disturbance to the amenity of the Queenscliff Harbour.
- k) Vessel owners must ensure that mooring lines, fenders and boarding equipment are of adequate quality and maintained in good workable condition. The maintenance of vessel mooring lines is the responsibility of the vessel owner. If the Harbour Manager considers the mooring lines inadequate or unsafe the Harbour Manager may replace those mooring lines at the owner's expense.
- l) Vessels must be moored so as to be fully within the approved Queenscliff Harbour berth boundaries.
- m) For the purpose of berthing, the length of a vessel is the maximum measurement from the forward extremity to the after extremity, including all protrusions and overhangs.
- n) The berths may not be sub-let or loaned without the permission of the Harbour Manager. Vessel registration forms are available from the Queenscliff Harbour office for this purpose. Only one vessel may occupy any one berth.
- o) Boardwalks, gangways and floating components must be kept free of goods and equipment and must not be used for storage whatsoever including vessel tenders, dinghies, ropes and hoses etc.
- p) All authority and statutory regulations governing the navigation and movement of vessels will apply in the Queenscliff Harbour and adjacent waterways.

- q) The tying up, or fastening of vessels to power and water pedestals, light poles or gangways is prohibited.
- r) Children under the age of 10 years, whilst using the private sections of the Queenscliff Harbour, must wear a personal flotation device and be accompanied or supervised by an adult at all times.
- s) Unless unsafe to do so, all vessels will be moored "stern to" and mooring lines will be required to be in accordance with the minimum mooring line arrangements plan contained in the OEMP (Appendix C) issued by the Harbour Manager to each vessel owner.

2. BEHAVIOUR

- a) Mooring users are required to preserve the amenity of the Queenscliff Harbour by restricting noise emanating from vessels. Public address systems, tone enhanced telephone systems and the like are not permitted to be used.
- b) The excessive running of engines, motors and generators whilst in the Queenscliff Harbour is not permitted.
- c) Offensive language within the Queenscliff Harbour will not be tolerated. Offenders may be requested to leave the Queenscliff Harbour by the Harbour Manager
- d) Consumption of alcohol is not permitted on the Queenscliff Harbour walkways and must be confined to a private vessel.
- e) Queenscliff Harbour users shall not moor, sail nor manoeuvre any vessel so as to create a danger, obstacle, impediment or inconvenience to other users.
- f) The hanging of washing, clothing and articles of a personal nature from the rigging or superstructure of vessels in the Queenscliff Harbour is not permitted.
- g) Fishing, swimming, diving and underwater activities are not permitted within the Queenscliff Harbour and its adjacent waterways except with written authorization from the Harbour management
- h) Security alarms fitted to vessels at the Queenscliff Harbour shall be adjusted for a cut-off period of five minutes or less.

3. POLLUTION

- a) Anti-pollution regulations apply within the Queenscliff Harbour which is a NO DISCHARGE zone.
- b) The use of vessel toilets, sinks and showers which discharge through the hull is prohibited whilst the vessel is within the Queenscliff Harbour and its adjacent waterways.
- c) The discharge of polluted effluent from manual and automatic bilge pumps whilst within the Queenscliff Harbour is prohibited.
- d) Washing or hosing down of vessel topsides must only be done using water from the service pedestal. Any detergents used must be biodegradable and environmentally friendly. Water restrictions in force will apply.
- e) The bottom scraping of vessels whilst in the Queenscliff Harbour is not permitted.
- f) Antifouling paints containing tributyl tin, organo tin or other hazardous compounds are pollutants and degrade water quality. Owners of vessels using antifouling paints of these types must make application in writing to the Harbour Manager to enter the Queenscliff Harbour. Management has implemented a regular water quality testing program in order to monitor the local marine environment and detect any pollution sources.
- g) Major repairs, sanding, grinding, painting or refitting of vessels in the Queenscliff Harbour is prohibited. Minor repairs, mechanical adjustments and electrical work within the vessels are permitted between the hours of 0800 and 1700. A maintenance berth is provided for all major repairs. Access to this berth is by prior arrangement with the Harbour Office.
- h) The cleaning of fish upon floating components or walkways is prohibited.
- i) All leakages or spills of fuels, oils and other hazardous substances must be reported to the Harbour Office immediately.

4. SAFETY

- a) Harbour users must make themselves familiar with and understand the emergency response plans and procedures including adherence to the directions given by the Queenscliff Harbour management.
- b) Welding, oxy cutting and other such hot work shall not be carried out in the Queenscliff Harbour or on any vessel berthed within the Queenscliff Harbour except in the maintenance berth.
- c) No garbage, batteries or other waste materials shall be permitted to be placed or left on the docks. All garbage and waste materials shall be disposed of in the receptacles provided or as directed by the Queenscliff Harbour management.
- d) Any debris within the Queenscliff Harbour and surrounds which is considered to be hazardous to safe navigation shall be reported to the Queenscliff Harbour management.
- e) Queenscliff Harbour users must exercise caution and adopt procedures for the safe use of electrical equipment near the water.

5. MAINTENANCE AND DAMAGE

- a) All damage caused to the harbour, the harbour surrounds or other vessels must be reported to the Queenscliff Harbour management immediately.
- b) All defects in or malfunctions of the mooring equipment or harbour infrastructure must be reported to the Queenscliff Harbour management immediately.
- c) Queenscliff Harbour users must keep and maintain their respective berths and their vessels in a clean and tidy condition and in good repair.
- d) Docks are not permitted to be used for the maintenance, repair, painting and other works on moored vessels.