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COMMONWEALTH GAMES SUPERYACHT FACTSHEET

Commonwealth Games Programme

The Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games (GC2018) represents a defining moment for the Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia and for the Commonwealth Games. From 4-15 April 2018, over 6,600 athletes and team officials from 70 nations and territories will converge on the Gold Coast to deliver 11 unforgettable days of world class sporting competition.

www.gc2018.com/schedule#home

Australian Border Force & Quarantine procedures

The Department of Agriculture has developed operator guidelines for vessels entering Australia. Biosecurity reporting obligations ask that you use the online Maritime Arrivals Reporting System (MARS) prior to arrival.

Pre-arrival information, and changes, for maritime conveyances (vessels) must be reported in a form approved by the Director of Biosecurity, which is MARS. Electronic offline forms can be used where there is limited connectivity, but they do not constitute the approved form. Your reporting obligations are met once your information has been submitted in MARS.

Vessel Operator Responsibilities

The operator of the vessel is obligated to accurately report information in accordance with Section 193 of the Biosecurity Act 2015.

This information must be lodged in MARS no later than 12 hours prior to arrival.

Any changes in circumstances during the voyage in Australian waters must be reported to the department as soon as practicable.

Visit www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity/avm/vessels

The master of a vessel arriving in Australia is required by law to give notice of impending arrival at least 96 hours before arrival to Australian Border Force.

You can give 96 hours notice by either:

- Sending an email to yachtreport@border.gov.au
- Sending a fax to +61 2 6275 5078
- Phone on +61 2 6246 1325

You will need to provide:

- the name of your craft
- the craft's country and port of registration
- your intended first port of arrival
- your estimated arrival time
- the last four ports you visited
- the details of people on board including name, date of birth, nationality and passport number
- details of any illness or disease recently encountered
- if you have any animals on board
- if you have any firearms on board

Visit

www.homeaffairs.gov.au/trav/ente/avia/maritime

www.homeaffairs.gov.au/Factsheets/Documents/bringingsuperyachtsintoaustralia2015mar10.pdf

Vessels can enter the following official ports of entry into Queensland: Brisbane, Bundaberg, Cairns, Gladstone, The Gold Coast, Mackay, Thursday Island, Townsville and Weipa

Please note: Customs brokers in Australia and overseas will also be able to assist with the procedures on the importation of yachts. Please contact Superyacht Queensland for further information.

Fees and charges

As a cost-recovered organisation, the department must charge for all activities it undertakes to protect Australia's biosecurity. A full list of fees associated with vessel biosecurity services are set out in the department's charging guidelines.

Further information can be found at: www.border.gov.au

Queensland Superyacht Agents

The following Queensland agents can assist you with the formalities of entering Australia.

- Australian Superyachts www.australiansuperyachts.com.au
- Major Yacht Services Australia www.majoryachtservices.com.au
- Seal Superyachts www.seal-superyachts.com/superyacht-agent-australia-east-coast

Far North Queensland

- Australian Superyacht Services Cairns www.superyachts.com.au/yacht-agent-cairns
- Carter Marine Agencies www.cartermarine.com

Australian Superyachts and Major Yacht Services Australia are NSW based but both have agents on the ground in Queensland.

Access to the Great Barrier Reef

The reformed Whitsundays Plan of Management facilitates greater access for superyachts over 35 metres to be able to cruise and anchor in key spots within the Great Barrier Reef. The new amendments have created 21 superyacht anchorages for superyachts less than 70m throughout the Whitsunday Planning Area.

www.superyacht-australia.com/visiting-australia/Whitsundays

www.gbrmpa.gov.au/visit-the-reef/planning-your-visit/super-yachts2

superyachtgroup.com/cruising-the-great-barrier-reef/

Superyacht Marina berths available in the Queensland region

- Gold Coast City Marina & Shipyard www.gccm.com.au
- Marina Mirage www.marinamirage.com.au/marina
- Rivergate Marina and Shipyard www.rivergate.com.au
- Sanctuary Cove Marina www.sanctuarycove.com/marina
- Southport Yacht Club www.southportyachtclub.com.au

Whitsundays - Queensland

- Abell Point Marina www.superyachtgreatbarrierreef.com
- Hamilton Island Marina www.hamiltonisland.com.au/real-estate-and-marina/marina
- Port of Airlie www.portofairlie.com.au

Far North Queensland

- Crystalbrook Superyacht marina www.thereefmarina.com.au
- Ports North (Cairns Marlin Marina) www.portsnorth.com.au/cairns-marlin-marina

Queensland refit and repair facilities

- BSE Maritime Solutions www.bse.net.au
- Gold Coast City Marina & Shipyard www.gccm.com.au
- Rivergate Marina and Shipyard www.rivergate.com.au
- The Yard Brisbane www.theyardbrisbane.com
- Tropical Reef Shipyard www.trshipyard.com.au
- Norship www.norship.com.au
- Rosshaven Marine www.rosshaven.com.au

Itineraries for visiting superyachts

www.superyacht-australia.com/cruising-itineraries



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