

COMMENTARY 7.0 WAMA Office

PUBLIC ACCESS TO MOORING INFORMATION

Can the public access DoT information about mooring owners?

From the Explanatory Memorandum 22 Dec 1998 for Mooring Regulations 1998

Register (Regulation 8)

This Regulation requires the Director General to establish and keep a register of mooring sites and licensees and for that to be publicly available. This arrangement is part of the public accountability recommended by ICAC.

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Mooring Regulations 1998

"8. Register

- (1) The Director General is to keep a register of mooring licences and mooring sites.
- (2) The register is to specify in respect of each mooring licence —
 - (a) the location and number of the mooring site for which the licence is granted;
 - (b) the particulars of the mooring licensee, including the full name, address, contact telephone numbers and date of birth, and of any person nominated by the owner to be contacted in an emergency;
 - (c) the maximum overall length of vessel approved for the mooring site;
 - (d) the particulars of the licensed vessel authorised to use the mooring site; and
 - (e) the particulars of any additional vessels authorised to use the mooring site, and their owners.
- (3) The Director General must, on written request by a mooring licensee, provide the licensee with a copy of particulars of the mooring licence as set out in the register.
- (4) A list setting out the number of every registered mooring site and the name of the licensee is to be —
 - (a) kept at the head office of the Maritime Division of the Department in Fremantle; and
 - (b) available for inspection by the public during office hours free of charge.
- (5) A ... "

Why is the register/list restricted for public access by the Mooring Office?

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