

# Darwin Harbour and Marine Safety Bulletin

## Safety at Sea

As part of the Ichthys Project dredgers, diving operations, construction barges and support vessels are operating in Darwin Harbour around Blaydin Point.

At INPEX safety is our number one priority so we would like you to remember some basic safety messages.

### SAFE speed

Slow down if you are close to dredgers, construction areas and diving operations.

In deciding on a safe speed you should consider how much wake your vessel is creating, how much traffic is in the area, how long it will take your vessel to stop, how quickly it can turn and how much sea room there is to manoeuvre.



### SAFE distance

There will be a 250 metre safety zone around vessels to ensure your safety and the safety of people working on the Ichthys Project.

Dredgers have submerged and semi-submerged pipelines, anchor cables and floats. Divers operate on long air lines that partially float so please do not come inside the safety zone.

If you are not sure, hold out your hand and turn it to the side. If you can cover the equipment with your hand, you are at about a safe distance.



### SAFE sounds

Sound signals are used to indicate that vessels are manoeuvring or as a warning.

If you hear five short blasts, it means the vessel is unsure of your intentions. You should slow down and change course.

Support vessels working with the dredgers might approach you for your own safety and ask you to keep clear of work.



### SAFE signals

Know your flags and shapes. Their meaning is linked to navigation safety, just as stop signs are linked to road safety.

Day shapes on the yardarm indicate a vessel is 'restricted in ability to manoeuvre'. This means the vessel can't get out of your way, so make sure you stay well clear and give all working vessels plenty of sea room.

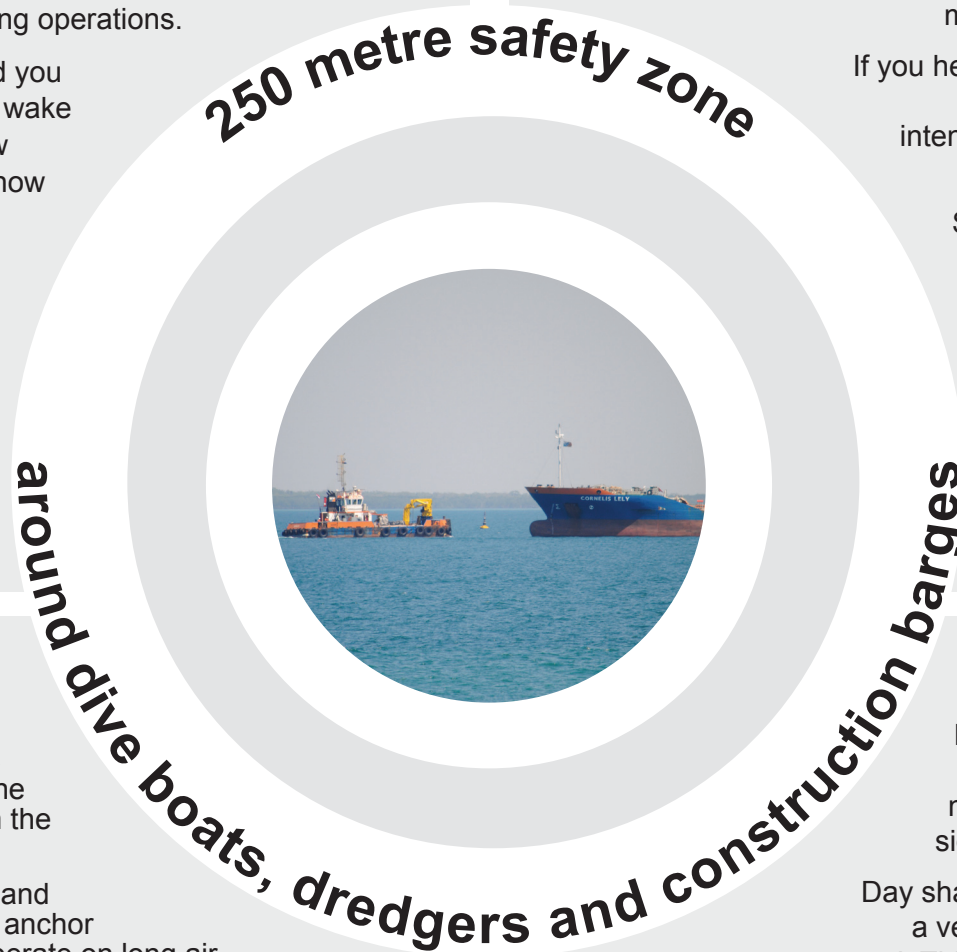
Flag Alpha indicates divers below. Please stay at least 250 metres away from flags and pass at a safe speed.



Day Shapes



Flag Alpha



For more information on the rules at sea try [www.transport.nt.gov.au/safety/marine](http://www.transport.nt.gov.au/safety/marine)

For more information on activities in the harbour and safety procedures, please go to [www.darwinport.gov.au](http://www.darwinport.gov.au) and see Notice to Mariners and Harbour Master's Directions.