ROTTNEST ISLAND REGULATIONS 1988

Temporary Notice to Mariners

Closure of Waters - Special Event -Rottnest Channel Swim

Thomson Bay, Rottnest Island

Friday 21 February 2025 – 12.00pm

to

Saturday 22 February 2025 – 6.00pm

Acting pursuant to the powers conferred by Regulation 38B of the *Rottnest Island Regulations 1988*, the Rottnest Island Authority hereby closes the following waters to all vessels, excluding bona fide emergency and authorised vessels as set out below between 12.00pm on Friday 21 February 2025 to 6.00pm on Saturday 22 February 2025.

Thomson Bay

Between Ferry Jetty and Fuel Jetty

All waters with 25 metres of the shoreline.

Authorised Vessel: Powered support vessel displaying a 2025 Rottnest Channel Swim sticker.

Between Fuel Jetty and Hotel Jetty

Swim Channel

All waters from a point 38 metres on the foreshore on the southern side of the Fuel Jetty extending in an easterly direction encompassing the following moorings:

Ranger; Ranger II; TB062; TB072; RIA015 Hire; TB078; RIA016 Hire; TB056; TB100; TB319; TB053; RIA005 Hire; TB051; TB081; RIA017 Hire; TB357, TB200; South Cardinal Marker (115° 32.836'E 31° 59.79'N); TB091, RIA028 Hire; RIA009 Hire; TB077; TB322; TB058; TB060.

Authorised Vessel: bonafide emergency vessels

South of Swim Channel

All waters starting 38 metres south of the Fuel Jetty extending 110 metres in a southerly direction following the foreshore and 25 metres east

Authorised Vessel: bonafide emergency vessels.

North of Hotel Jetty

All waters north of the Hotel Jetty extending 51 meters in a northerly direction and 25 metres east.

Authorised Vessel: bona fide emergency vessels and competitor's support paddle craft displaying a 2025 Rottnest Channel Swim sticker.

South of Hotel Jetty

All waters south of the Hotel Jetty extending 51 metres following the foreshore in a southerly direction and 25 metres east.

Authorised Vessel: bona fide emergency vessels and tenders <3.75metres in length.

These restrictions have been put in place due to the unusually large number of vessels and people entering the Rottnest Reserve and the need achieve public safety. Appropriate signage will be placed on site and a map showing these restrictions is available for viewing at http://www.rottnestisland.com

Mariners are further advised that due to the proximity of the swim channel to fuel dispensing facilities, fuel supplies will not be available between 10.00am to 6.00pm on Saturday 22 February 2025.

Mariners are advised to navigate with caution and maintain a safe clearance when transiting this area.

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