



Australian Non-Proclaimed First Port of Entry and/or Subsequent Port of Call

The Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service (AQIS) has implemented new protocols for vessels intending to enter a place in Australia that is not a proclaimed first port of entry. Vessels intending to visit non-proclaimed ports must make a written application to AQIS using the “*Application for Permission to Enter an Australian Non-Proclaimed First Port of Entry and/or Subsequent Port of Call*” form. Non-proclaimed ports are all ports that were not proclaimed as first ports of entry under the [Quarantine Proclamation 1998](#). For resourcing and processing purposes, AQIS requests that each application be submitted 10 days prior to the intended date of arrival.

Entering an Australian non-proclaimed port as a first port of entry

Vessels that intend to enter an Australian non-proclaimed port, as their first port of call, must apply for permission under section 20AA of the [Quarantine Act 1908](#) to enter that port. Notification of the intended arrival should be given to the local AQIS Office and the application sent to Seaports Central Office for approval.

Permission to enter and clear at a non-proclaimed port will be granted dependant upon the vessel adhering to conditions set out in the permission document. If quarantine conditions cannot be met, permission from AQIS, to enter a non-proclaimed port, may be denied.

In addition to the standard pratique charges, the vessel is required to provide or meet all transport, accommodation and incidental costs for a quarantine officer to attend the vessel for the duration of the visits. The vessel is also liable to pay, on a fee for service basis, daily or weekly rates for the cost of removing the quarantine officer from their homeport. The rate charged shall be negotiated with AQIS prior to service.

Entering a non-proclaimed port as a subsequent port of call

A ship intending to visit one or numerous non-proclaimed ports, after receiving quarantine clearance at a proclaimed first port of call, must also make an application in writing to AQIS, seeking permission to enter a subsequent non-proclaimed port of call. Notification of the intended arrival should be given to the local AQIS Office and the regional head office will process the application.

The permission to enter a specified port will be subject to conditions of Pratique (section 33 of the [Quarantine Act 1908](#)). If quarantine conditions cannot be met, permission from AQIS, to enter a non-proclaimed port, may be denied. A ship may only visit non-proclaimed ports as listed on the Certificate of Pratique, if the current status or vessels itinerary changes at any time. Further requests for quarantine services will be considered by AQIS on a case-by-case basis.

In addition to the standard pratique charges, the vessel is required to provide or meet all transport, accommodation and incidental costs for a quarantine officer to attend the vessel for the duration of the visits. The vessel is also liable to pay fee for service, daily or weekly rates for the cost of removing the quarantine officer from their homeport. The rate charged shall be negotiated with AQIS prior to service.

For further information on the conditions applicable to vessels entering non-proclaimed ports, please contact your local AQIS Seaports Office.

Attachment 1

Proclaimed first ports of entry (ship's only)

New South Wales	Queensland	Western Australia	Tasmania	South Australia
Botany Bay, Sydney	Abbot Point	Albany	Burnie	Ardrossan
Coffs Harbour	Brisbane	Broome	Devonport	Cape Thevenard
Lord Howe Island	Bundaberg	Bunbury	Hobart, including Risdon and Selfs Point	Port Adelaide
Newcastle	Cairns	Carnarvon	Launceston, including Beauty Point, Bell Bay and Long Reach	Port Bonython
Port Jackson, Sydney	Gladstone	Dampier	Port Latta	Port Giles
Port Kembla	Hay Point, including Dalrymple Bay	Derby	Port Huon	Port Lincoln
Twofold Bay	Lucinda	Esperance	Spring Bay	Port Pirie
Yamba	Mackay	Exmouth	Stanley	Port Stanvac
Northern Territory	Mourilyan Harbour	Fremantle	Victoria	Wallaroo
Darwin	Port Alma	Geraldton	Geelong	Whyalla
Gove (Nhulunbuy)	Thursday Island	Port Hedland	Melbourne	
Groote Eylandt	Townsville	Port Walcott	Portland	
	Weipa	Wyndham	Westernport	