

ROTTNEST ISLAND REGULATIONS 1988

Temporary Notice to Mariners

Closure of Waters to Boating

Thomson Bay, Rottnest Island

Rottnest Channel Swim Saturday 24 February 2018

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 1200hrs on Friday 23 February 2018 to 1800hrs on Saturday 24 February 2018.

Thomson Bay

Between Ferry Jetty and Fuel Jetty

All waters with 25 metres of the shoreline.

Authorised Vessel: Powered support vessel displaying a 2018 Rottnest Channel Swim sticker.

Between Fuel Jetty and Hotel Jetty

Swim Channel

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

Ranger; TB063; TB062; TB072; RIA015 Hire; TB078; RIA016 Hire; TB056; TB100; TB319; TB053; RIA005 Hire; TB051; TB081; RIA017 Hire; TB200; South Cardinal Marker (115° 32.836'E 31° 59.79'S); TB091, RIA028 Hire; RIA009 Hire; TB077; TB322; TB058; TB060.

Authorised Vessel: bona fide 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 2018 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 restriction have been put in place due to the unusually large number of vessels and people entering the 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.rotnestisland.com>

Mariners are further advised that due to the close proximity of the swim channel to fuel dispensing facilities, supplies will not be available between 10.00am to 5.00pm on Saturday 24 February 2018.

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

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