

MEDIA RELEASE

Safety Requirements – Lighterage Operations

Norfolk Island Regional Council (NIRC) wish to advise the following:

Following on from the recent risk and operational assessments conducted by Com Gov and NIRC, we need to collectively address minimum safety requirements associated with people accessing the wharf while lighterage is in operation.

For the safety of the community, the following controls will now be enforced:

- Nobody is allowed to enter the designated lighterage / wharf area, unless approved by the lighterage team
- All personnel who enter the workspace must wear appropriate PPE. This includes at a minimum steel cap boots and a Hi-Viz shirt
- All personnel who enter the space in a vehicle, who are not taking part in the onloading or offloading of the vehicle, must remain in the vehicle
- Vehicles must not enter the workspace, unless called up and/or approved by the lighterage team
- Appropriate securing of loads will be monitored.

In light of the COVID model of care we are adopting, for the foreseeable future, all personnel who are allowed access to the wharf must at a minimum:

- Wear the appropriate face masks
- Wear appropriate gloves.

We understand that there are supply limitations on the island of some equipment, however, where possible these are the minimum standards.

Please can you ensure that we keep our community safe and adhere to all recommendations.

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