

Gorgon - Pilotage - Passage Plan – Materials Offloading Facility (MOF) to PBG



1.0 Introduction

Vessels transiting within port limits from the Materials Offloading Facility (MOF) to the Barrow Island Pilot Boarding Ground (PBG) require an approved passage plan which can be shared between Pilots and vessel Masters. This work instruction has been compiled in accordance with documents *GOR-COP-0187 - Pilot Passage Plan Guideline* and approved according to *GOR-COP-0186 - Passage Plan Approval Procedure*.

1.1 Purpose

This work instruction details the navigation route between the MOF and the PBG, providing Pilots, Masters and Bridge Navigation Teams sufficient information to conduct a vessel along the route in a safe and controlled manner, whilst minimising risk to personnel, environment and property.

1.2 Scope

This Work Instruction begins when a vessel departs a berth within the MOF and concludes when it reaches the PBG.



CAUTION:

This passage plan is tidally restricted for vessels with drafts greater than 4.5m. All vessels must maintain a UKC of at least 1.0m or 15% of maximum draft (whichever is greater).

Caution must be taken when using buoys for navigation, particularly post severe storm/cyclone activity.

The vessel may not have the controlling draft and therefore the drafts of assist vessels must be considered.

1.3 Target Audience

This work instruction is primarily intended for use by ABU Marine Pilots, vessel Masters and vessel Bridge Navigation Teams.

1.4 Acronyms and Abbreviations

The below table defines the acronyms and abbreviations used in this document

Acronym/Abbreviation	Meaning
AMSA	Australian Maritime Safety Authority
BWI	Barrow Island
CBM	Conventional Buoy Mooring
CD	Clearing Distance
ECDIS	Electronic Chart Display and Information System
JHA	Job Hazard Analysis
kts	knots
m	metres

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Acronym/Abbreviation	Meaning
MOF	Materials Offloading Facility
MPX	Master Pilot Exchange
nm	Nautical miles
OOW	Officer of the Watch
PBG	Pilot Board Ground
Pilot	ABU Marine Pilot
PI	Parallel index
PPU	Portable Pilotage Unit
SOLAS	International Convention for Safety Of Life At Sea
UKC	Under Keel Clearance
XTE	Cross Track Error

2.0 Waypoint Bank

Waypoint	Reference	Latitude	Longitude
WP001	PBG	20°48.60'S	115°36.00'E
WP002	SE CBM	20°49.74'S	115°33.72'E
WP003	Outer Leads	20°48.00'S	115°30.25'E
WP004	Inner Leads	20°47.70'S	115°28.81'E
WP005	Berth	Various	Various

3.0 Route Bank

Route	Waypoint Sequence
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Waypoint	WP005 (Berth)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pilot will normally embark by Pilot Boat. The vessel is to follow any instruction from the Pilot Boat in regards to the rigging of the ladder. The pilot ladder will be rigged as per <i>SOLAS 2010 Chapter V Reg 23</i> as amended and secured to a height above the waterline as requested by the Pilot Boat.
Latitude	Various	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pilot will setup and use PPU for the passage as an independent means of position fixing.
Longitude	Various	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Pilot will have completed the necessary UKC calculations.
Course	Various	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pilot will brief the Master on contingency plans, No Go Zones and abort points as part of the MPX. Depths outside of the MOF basin are generally too shallow and, as such, the area outside of the MOF basin is considered a No Go Zone.
Speed	< 1kts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Pilot will detail the manoeuvring of the vessel out of the berth, including un-mooring arrangements and tug configurations as part of the MPX.
Leg Distance	Various	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental data, including tidal flow and wind conditions at the MOF will be available to the Pilot and communicated to vessel Master.
Minimum Depth at CD	6.5m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parallel indexing to be setup and utilised throughout passage.
Maximum Cross Track Error	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Pilot will contact the Port of Barrow on VHF Ch10 for permission to vacate the berth and request that the MOF and associated channel are closed to other traffic.
Primary Fixing	Visual/PPU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manoeuvring from the berth to the swing basin to be undertaken at slow speed (less than 1 knot over the ground).
Secondary Fixing	GPS/RADAR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The swing basin is 320m in diameter.
Parallel Index	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure adequate clearing distances between the vessel (and her tugs) and any obstructions, such as other vessels, navigational marks and mooring dolphins. Rate of turn shall be monitored. At night, visual references ahead of the vessel are limited. As such, a greater reliance on radar fixing and PI methods may be required.



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Waypoint	WP004 (Inner Leads)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vessel should be steady and on the leads before exiting the swing basin. • MOF leading lights and sector lights can be utilised when transiting the main channel. • The Flood tide sets to the South. The Ebb tide sets to the North. • Effect of tide increases when departing the MOF basin. • When transiting the main channel, the Flood tide is generally strongest in the vicinity of HB5 and the Ebb tide is generally strongest when close to the breakwater. Caution must be used in determining tidal flow due to variations. • When tide and vessel's draft permits, an emergency escape route to the North between MOF1/3 or to the South between MOF2/4 can be considered for the main channel. • Beware of traffic entering the MOF. • Call the Port of Barrow on VHF Ch10 when passing MOF1/2 outbound. • If safe to do so, tugs' lines may be released once clear of MOF1/2. • Be aware of converging traffic from the North when exiting the main channel. • At night, visual references ahead of the vessel are limited. As such, a greater reliance on radar fixing and PI methods may be required. • In the event of a failure, the vessel will continue clear of the channel or proceed to anchor (remaining clear of any obstructions at all times).
Latitude	20°47.70'S	
Longitude	115°28.81'E	
Course	102°T	
Speed	~3 to 6kts	
Leg Distance	1.4nm	
Minimum Depth at CD	5.5m	
Maximum Cross Track Error	50m	
Primary Fixing	Visual/PPU	
Secondary Fixing	GPS/RADAR	
Parallel Index	Breakwater at 0.05nm	



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Waypoint	WP003 (Outer Leads)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Go Zones exist to the North of the track until clear of the Lowendal Shoal The CBM to the North of the track is considered a No Go Zone. The Flood tide sets to the South West. The Ebb tide sets to the North East. In the event of a failure, the vessel will continue to port limits or proceed to anchor (being aware of the oil pipeline and other obstructions).
Latitude	20°48.00'S	
Longitude	115°30.25'E	
Course	118°T	
Speed	~6kts	
Leg Distance	3.7nm	
Minimum Depth at CD	6.0m	
Maximum Cross Track Error	50m	
Primary Fixing	Visual/PPU	
Secondary Fixing	GPS/RADAR	
Parallel Index	LNG 1 at 0.4nm	



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Waypoint	WP002 (SE CBM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tugs to be dismissed at the Pilot's discretion. Call the Port of Barrow on VHF Ch10 when crossing port limits outbound. Extra caution to be taken in vicinity of the PBG due to the potential for converging traffic. At the PBG, the Flood tide sets to the South West. The Ebb tide sets to the North East In the event of a failure, the vessel will continue to port limits or proceed to anchor (being aware of the oil pipeline and other obstructions). PBG: Lat 20°48.60'S, Long 115°36.00'E. Vessel and Pilot Boat are to discuss and agree on vessel speed and heading prior to Pilot transfer, ensuring a good lee is provided for disembarkation. The pilot ladder will be rigged as per <i>SOLAS 2010 Chapter V Reg 23</i> as amended and secured to a height above the waterline as requested by the Pilot Boat.
Latitude	20°49.74'S	
Longitude	115°33.72'E	
Course	062°T	
Speed	~6 to 10kts	
Leg Distance	2.4nm	
Minimum Depth at CD	10.0m	
Maximum Cross Track Error	200m	
Primary Fixing	Visual/PPU	
Secondary Fixing	GPS/RADAR	
Parallel Index		



5.0 Execution of Passage Plan – Expectations

5.1 Notes for Master and Bridge Team

- Prior to commencing the passage outbound, the Master is to review the passage plan and plot the plan onto the appropriate charts or ECDIS system, briefing his/her Bridge teams accordingly. Any concerns or questions are to be raised with the Pilot prior to commencing the passage.
- In accordance with AMSA regulations, all charts (paper and electronic) and navigational publications must be corrected to the latest edition of the Australian and Western Australian Notices to Mariners, including any applicable Temporary Notices to Mariners that may be in force. Additionally, the vessel is to have available and understand the BWI Marine Notices that are in force. BWI Marine Notices and other relevant port information are located on the Port of Barrow Island website.
<https://www.chevronaustralia.com/our-businesses/barrow-island/barrow-island-port>
- Charts required for the passage are the latest editions of Australian Hydrographic charts AUS 62, AUS 65 and AUS 66.
- Any deficiencies that may affect the vessel's operating performance are to be reported to the Pilot at the first available opportunity prior to commencing the passage outbound.
- All bridge navigational equipment must be switched on and functioning correctly prior to the Pilot boarding. All navigation systems, including paper charts, are to be arranged and displayed so that the Pilot can quickly determine the vessel's position, course and speed at any time during the passage.
- A MPX involving the Pilot, Master, and Bridge team will be conducted after the Pilot has arrived on the bridge. The Pilot will take conduct of the vessel at the conclusion of the MPX.
- To ensure an appropriate level of BRM, Pilots utilise a "Closed Loop" system of communications for the relay of orders. The Master/OOW is to ensure the bridge is managed such that all orders can be clearly heard, understood and responded to. The Master/OOW is to monitor course, helm orders and engine settings to ensure compliance with the Pilot's directions.
- Pilotage is compulsory for the Port of BWI and the Pilot will have the conduct of the vessel at all times whilst manoeuvring within port limits. It is acknowledged however, that the Master always remains in overall command of his vessel. Adhering to good BRM principles, Pilots actively encourage a "Challenge and Response" environment. If at any time the Master/OOW is unsure of the actions being taken, they are to challenge the Pilot and vice versa.
- Ship's position, proximity to dangers and UKC should be continuously monitored by the Master/OOW and cross-referenced with the passage plan. If the Master leaves the bridge, the OOW must always seek clarification from the Pilot when in any doubt as to the Pilot's actions or intentions.
- It is important to keep formal records of all navigational activities and any incidents in the appropriate Bridge Movement Logbook. Information recorded should be of an appropriate standard so that the vessel's progress out of the Port can be reconstructed at a later date.

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5.2 Notes for the Pilot

- Conduct of the vessel will be assumed by the Pilot in an unambiguous manner.
- The Pilot will assist the Bridge team to ensure radar conspicuous points, parallel indexing and any clearing bearings/ranges are properly understood.
- For each leg of the passage the Pilot is to brief the master on the required fixing interval and methods used to determine ship's position. In determining the most appropriate fixing method and interval the following will be taken into consideration:
 - The state of wind, sea and weather
 - Proximity to navigational dangers
 - Traffic density
 - Manoeuvring characteristics of the vessel
 - Navigational equipment available, and
 - How position data is displayed, i.e. ECDIS or paper charts
- The Pilot is to ensure all navigation hazards (e.g. No Go Zones) are clearly marked on the chartlet.
- The Pilot will ensure tug and communication protocols are explained fully.
- If for any reason prior to commencing the passage plan, there is a need to deviate from the standard passage plan, a revised passage plan will be formulated and agreed between the Pilot and Master; any additional hazards will be identified and any mitigations/controls shall be detailed in an appropriate JHA.
- When manoeuvring vessels such that they are closing to within 50 metres of a fixed jetty, wharf or other moored vessel, approach speeds are to be less than 1.0 knot in order that all way can be taken off the vessel quickly and in a controlled manner, preventing any unplanned close quarters contact with said shore facilities or vessels.

If there is a need to deviate from the passage plan for any reason, the Bridge team must be fully briefed as to the Pilot's intentions, and the Pilot should make every opportunity to return to the passage plan as soon as possible.

6.0 Document Control

6.1 Ownership

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