

# WATERWAYS NOTICE

Notice to control activities or conduct in Gold Coast waters  
*Gold Coast Waterway Authority Act 2012*, part 5, divisions 2 and 3



## Authority

I, **Peter Kleinig, Manager (Waterways), Gold Coast Waterways Authority** (the **Authority**), am subdelegated by the Chief Executive Officer of the Authority under section 14 of the *Gold Coast Waterways Authority Act 2012* (the **Act**).

## Area and watercraft

1. This waterways notice (the **Notice**) applies to—
  - a) waters of the Broadwater generally east of the Broadwater Parklands at Southport (the **Event Area**).
  - b) watercraft anchored, moored, left, navigating, or otherwise operating in the Event Area.
2. The Event Area is shown on Map A1-593, which forms part of the Notice.
3. The waters of the Event Area are within Gold Coast waters as defined under the Act.

## Requirements

1. A person in charge of a watercraft must move the watercraft out of the Event Area before 5:00 pm on Friday, 20 March 2026.
2. A person in charge of a watercraft must not enter into, anchor, moor, leave, navigate, or otherwise operate the watercraft on, waters of the Event Area before 6:00 pm on Sunday, 22 March 2026.

## Watercraft to which Notice does not apply

1. The requirements of the Notice do not apply to—
  - a) a watercraft owned by the State
  - b) a watercraft participating in, or involved with the conduct or control of, an aquatic event within the Event Area.
  - c) a watercraft approved in writing by the Authority.

## Reasons

I consider waters of Event Area confined waters and that the character and duration of an aquatic event within the Event Area requires moving and controlling of watercraft in these waters.

Consistent with the purposes of the Act and functions of the Authority, I issue the Notice for safer and orderly conduct and control of the aquatic event within the Event Area, unaffected by other watercraft.

I make the requirements of the Notice for the following purposes:

- a) maintaining effective and efficient management of Event Area; and

b) moving watercraft, and controlling activities of watercraft, in the Event Area for an aquatic event.

### **Offence**

A person to whom the Notice applies must comply with each requirement of the Notice, unless the person has a reasonable excuse.

A contravention of a requirement of the Notice is an offence against the Act, which carries a maximum penalty of 100 penalty units (\$16,690) for an individual and 500 penalty units (\$83,450) for a corporate entity.

A watercraft that is anchored, moored, left, navigating, or otherwise operating in waters of Event area in contravention of a requirement of the Notice is contravening property.

### **Expenses**

The Authority may take steps necessary and reasonable to move contravening property.

If the Authority incurs expenses in dealing with contravening property, the Authority may recover those expenses from the owner of the property as a debt payable to the State.

### **Effect**

The Notice takes effect from 5:00 pm on Friday 20 March 2026 and continues to have effect until 6:00 pm on Sunday 22 March 2026.

ORIGINAL NOTICE SIGNED

Peter Kleinig

**Manager (Waterways)**

**Signed at GOLD COAST this 3rd day of March 2026**

Map A1-592



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