



Confidential Marine Reporting Scheme

Note: This report will only be seen by ATSB's confidential reporting staff. Your details are only required to enable us to contact you to confirm and discuss your report. They will remain confidential unless you give us your approval to disclose them. We will acknowledge your report as soon as possible.

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Reporter's details: Essential fields *Please complete all applicable boxes*

Your name Today's date

OFFICE USE ONLY:
Date received

Address State Code

Telephone Best time to call Facsimile Email

Preferred method for us to contact you? Telephone Facsimile Email

Your occupation (eg. ship's officer, crew, passenger, contractor, etc)

Your experience or qualifications:

Years at sea Years on ship Years on ship type Relevant qualifications (if applicable)

Particulars of event or safety issue:

Date of event/issue Time of event/issue Position (latitude & longitude if at sea, or name of port and berth)

Discussed with safety officer Yes No

If you discussed this event with anyone else please provide details

Vessel's name Type e.g. tanker / fishing Number of persons on board (estimate if unknown) Crew Passengers

Name of other vessel involved (if applicable) Type e.g. tanker / fishing Number of persons on board (estimate if unknown) Crew Passengers

Type of incident:

Navigational Deck Engineering Hotel services Stevedoring Other

Voyage phase:

Anchor handling/tug work Berthed Entering port (no pilot) Ocean passage Fishing
 At anchor Coastal passage Leaving port (no pilot) Pilotage Other (specify below)

Weather conditions:

Fine Rain Fog Cloud Rough sea Strong wind

Please fully describe the event or safety issue:

Include why it could have resulted in an incident and what might be done to prevent it happening in the future.

Please enclose additional page/s as necessary

Vessel owner's contact details:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Owner, operator or charterer	Telephone <input type="text"/>	Facsimile <input type="text"/>
Name of company contact or designated person ashore	Email <input type="text"/>	

When complete, post to: Reply Paid 600, The Manager CMRS, PO Box 600, Civic Square, ACT 2608. No postage stamp required if posted within Australia.

CONFIDENTIAL MARINE REPORTING SCHEME

The confidential marine reporting scheme (CMRS) is intended to prevent or reduce the risks of accidents and to promote safety. It will enable persons to report their safety concerns to the Australian Transport Safety Bureau (ATSB), while their identities will be kept confidential.

The scheme will operate under the *Navigation (Confidential Marine Reporting Scheme) Regulations 2004* (the Regulations).

The Regulations are available on the ATSB website: <http://www.atsb.gov.au>

Who may report

Persons who may report include those engaged in, or connected with, marine activities to which the Regulations apply. A ship's passenger or a person ashore who wishes to report a 'reportable safety issue' (defined in the Regulations and explained briefly below) may also make confidential reports.

What may be reported – reportable safety issues

Matters such as the following may be reported under CMRS, provided they relate to the safety of a ship to which the *Navigation Act 1912* applies (trading ships and other vessels governed by the *Navigation Act 1912*):

- A procedure, practice or condition that would endanger the safety of the ship or a person, such as unsafe navigation;
- Defective life saving or fire fighting equipment;
- Extreme corrosion of the hull;
- Crew schedules resulting in fatigue;
- Unreported accidents and near misses.

These are examples only of the types of issues that may be reported.

Matters that can not be reported

Unlawful interference with a ship (such as taking control of a ship forcibly), industrial relations issues and, for a person who has an obligation to make a report under a mandatory reporting requirement, a matter that the person is required to report under such requirement.

Certain responsible persons such as masters, owners, agents and pilots have obligations to report matters under legislation listed under the definition of a mandatory reporting requirement in the Regulations. The listed legislative requirements are:

- section 151, 190A, 268, 269, 269A or 417 of the *Navigation Act 1912*;
- subsection 18(1) or 19(1) of the *Transport Safety Investigation Act 2003*;
- provision 9.2.3 of Part 32, or provision 8.2.1 of Part 54, of the Marine Orders;
- section 107 of the *Occupational Health and Safety (Maritime Industry) Act 1993*.