

Biosecurity (First Point of Entry—Port of Geraldton) Determination 2019

I, Dean Merrilees, as delegate of the Director of Biosecurity, make the following determination.

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Part 1—Preliminary

1 Name

This is the *Biosecurity (First Point of Entry—Port of Geraldton) Determination 2019*.

2 Commencement

(1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

| Commencement information | | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 |
| Provisions | Commencement | Date/Details |
| 1. The whole of this instrument | 16 June 2019. | 16 June 2019 |

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

(2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under subsection 229(1) of the *Biosecurity Act 2015*.

4 Definitions

Note: A number of expressions used in this instrument are defined in section 9 of the Act.

In this instrument:

***Act*** means the *Biosecurity Act 2015*.

***goods*** means goods (as defined by section 19 of the Act):

(a) that are subject to biosecurity control; or

(b) in relation to which an exposed goods order is in force.

***inorganic bulk goods*** means chemicals, ores, minerals or gases that:

(a) are brought or imported into Australian territory in bulk; and

(b) do not contain animals, plants, organic compounds or microbes.

***non‑commercial vessel*** has the same meaning as in the *Biosecurity Regulation 2016*.

***vessel*** means a vessel (as defined by section 9 of the Act) that is subject to biosecurity control.

***waste*** means goods (as defined by section 19 of the Act):

(a) that are subject to biosecurity control; and

(b) that are intended, by the person in charge of the vessel on which the goods are carried, to be disposed of.

Part 2—First point of entry

5 First point of entry—vessels

Port of Geraldton is a first point of entry for vessels other than non‑commercial vessels.

6 First point of entry—goods

Port of Geraldton is a first point of entry for the following:

(a) baggage carried on a vessel other than a non‑commercial vessel or a passenger vessel;

(b) inorganic bulk goods;

(c) waste.

Note 1: Port of Geraldton is not a first point of entry for any other goods.

Note 2: For other matters relating to whether particular goods may be brought into a particular first point of entry, see sections 173 and 174 of the Act (which deal with prohibited goods and conditionally non‑prohibited goods) and any determinations made under those sections.

Part 3—Biosecurity entry points

7 Biosecurity entry points—vessels

Each area of Port of Geraldton specified in column 2 of an item of the following table is designated as a biosecurity entry point for a vessel, or a vessel included in a class of vessels, specified in column 1 of the item.

| Biosecurity entry points—vessels | | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Item | Column 1  Vessels | Column 2  Areas |
| 1 | Vessels other than non‑commercial vessels | The following areas:  (a) Berth 1;  (b) Berth 2;  (c) Berth 3;  (d) Berth 4;  (e) Berth 5;  (f) Berth 6;  (g) Berth 7 |

Note: A vessel that has arrived at Port of Geraldton must be brought to a biosecurity entry point for the vessel at that port as soon as practicable (see section 246 of the Act).

8 Biosecurity entry points—goods

Each area of Port of Geraldton specified in column 2 of an item of the following table is designated as a biosecurity entry point for goods, or goods included in a class of goods, specified in column 1 of the item.

| Biosecurity entry points—goods | | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Item | Column 1  Goods | Column 2  Areas |
| 1 | Inorganic bulk goods | The following areas:  (a) Berth 1;  (b) Berth 2;  (c) Berth 3;  (d) Berth 6 |
| 2 | Waste | The following areas:  (a) Berth 1;  (b) Berth 2;  (c) Berth 3;  (d) Berth 4;  (e) Berth 5;  (f) Berth 6;  (g) Berth 7 |

Note 1: If a vessel has arrived at Port of Geraldton and is carrying goods mentioned in the table that are to be unloaded from the vessel, those goods must be brought to a biosecurity entry point for those goods as soon as practicable (see section 147 of the Act).

Note 2: This determination does not designate biosecurity entry points for other goods for which Port of Geraldton is a first point of entry, so the requirement in section 147 of the Act does not apply to the unloading of those other goods.

Part 4—Conditions

9 Conditions—notifying Agriculture Department of changes

(1) The determination of Port of Geraldton as a first point of entry by this instrument is subject to the conditions in this section.

(2) If the owner (or, if there is more than one owner, an owner) of Port of Geraldton becomes aware that there has been, or will be, a change to the business entity operating:

(a) Port of Geraldton; or

(b) a biosecurity entry point at Port of Geraldton;

the owner (or, if there is more than one owner, an owner) must give the Agriculture Department, in writing, notice of the change as soon as practicable after becoming aware that the change has occurred or will occur.

(3) If the lessee (if any) (or, if there is more than one lessee, a lessee) of Port of Geraldton becomes aware that there has been, or will be, a change to the business entity operating:

(a) Port of Geraldton; or

(b) a biosecurity entry point at Port of Geraldton;

the lessee (or, if there is more than one lessee, a lessee) must give the Agriculture Department, in writing, notice of the change as soon as practicable after becoming aware that the change has occurred or will occur.

(4) If a person or body that is responsible for carrying out operations at Port of Geraldton proposes to make a change referred to in subsection (5), the person or body must give the Agriculture Department, in writing, reasonable notice of the proposed change.

(5) For the purposes of subsection (4), the changes are as follows:

(a) a change to the procedures at Port of Geraldton providing for biosecurity measures to be taken to manage the level of biosecurity risk associated with operations carried out at Port of Geraldton;

(b) a change to the facilities or amenities available at Port of Geraldton for biosecurity officials and human biosecurity officers to perform functions or exercise powers under the Act at Port of Geraldton;

(c) a change to the procedures at Port of Geraldton that may affect the ability of a person who carries out operations at Port of Geraldton to identify biosecurity risks associated with those operations;

(d) a change to the procedures at Port of Geraldton that may affect the ability for biosecurity officials or human biosecurity officials to be informed of any identified biosecurity risks associated with operations carried out at Port of Geraldton;

(e) a change to the procedures at Port of Geraldton for managing any other factors that may contribute to, or affect, the level of biosecurity risk associated with operations carried out at Port of Geraldton.