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Section 183 Quarantine Order – *Didemnum vexillum* (Colonial sea squirt)

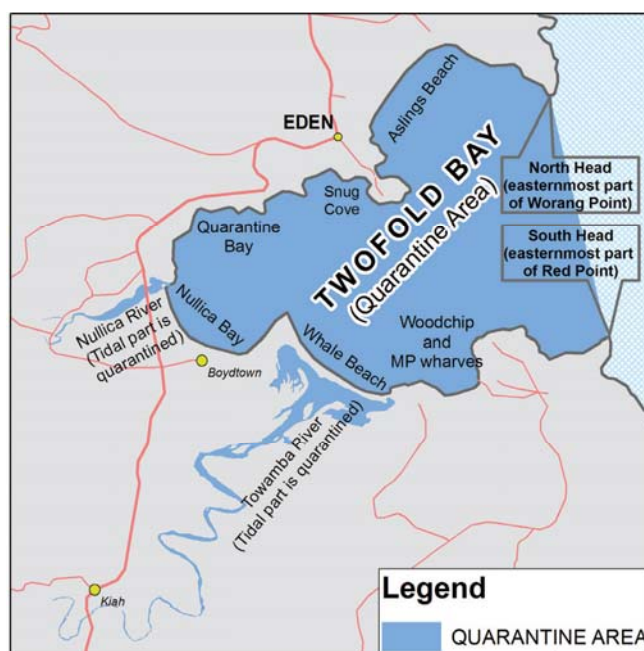
I, PAUL O'CONNOR, Principal Director, Fisheries & Compliance, with the delegated authority of the Minister for Primary Industries and the Director-General of the Department of Industry and Investment pursuant to sections 227 and 228 of the Fisheries Management Act 1994 ('the Act'):

1. pursuant to section 183 of the Act declare the area specified in Schedule 1 to be a quarantine area known as "Colonial sea squirt quarantine area" because of the presence or suspected presence of the declared disease *Didemnum vexillum* (Colonial sea squirt).
2. pursuant to section 183 of the Act prohibit the taking of the declared disease *Didemnum vexillum* (Colonial sea squirt) from the Colonial sea squirt quarantine area.
3. pursuant to sections 183 (4) (b) and (c) of the Act and clause 62 of the Fisheries Management (Aquaculture) Regulation 2007 require the persons specified in Column 1 of Schedule 2 in relation to the items specified in Column 1 of Schedule 2 to take such action as is specified in Column 2 of Schedule 2 .

SCHEDULE 1

Colonial sea squirt quarantine area

The Colonial sea squirt quarantine area is the waters of Twofold Bay, Eden being the waters generally west of a line drawn from the easternmost part of Worang Point, also known as North Head, to the easternmost part of Red Point, also known as South Head, and including its creeks and tributaries to their tidal limits, and the land in the immediate vicinity of those waters.



SCHEDULE 2
Required actions

Column 1 <i>Person responsible for type of boat, equipment or product in the Colonial sea squirt quarantine area</i>	Column 2 <i>Required action</i>
Owner or occupier of any boat Owner or user of any marine equipment	For any movement from the Colonial sea squirt quarantine area directly to another country the boat and marine equipment must have complied with any Australian Government Customs requirements.
Owner or occupier of any Defence boat	For any movement from the Colonial sea squirt quarantine area to another Australian port, bay or estuary south of latitude 32°S the boat must have complied with the Australian Government Defence biosecurity protocol.
Owner or occupier of any of the following boats: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commercial boats including woodchip carriers, tankers, logging ships, container ships, general cargo ships • Large cruise and passenger ships 	For any movement from the Colonial sea squirt quarantine area to another Australian port, bay or estuary south of latitude 32°S: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the boat must have had a dry dock or diver inspection and an anti-fouling treatment in accordance with the National Biofouling Management Guidelines for Commercial Vessels, within the last 24 months; and (b) the boat must only exchange ballast water at sea in accordance with Australian Ballast Water Management Requirements; and (c) the Incident Control Centre or NSW Maritime must be notified of the destination port prior to departure.
Owner or occupier of any of the following boats: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commercial fishing boats • Charter fishing boats • Government boats • Passenger boats including ferries, marine mammal watch boats, charter cruising boats • Recreational boats moored at jetties or on swing moorings within the quarantine area 	For any movement from the Colonial sea squirt quarantine area to another Australian port, bay or estuary south of latitude 32°S: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the boat must be managed in accordance with the National Biofouling Management Guidelines for Commercial Fishing Vessels, and (b) the boat must have undergone an inspection and anti-fouling treatment in accordance with the same Guidelines since 1 November 2009; and (c) the Incident Control Centre or NSW Maritime must be notified of the destination port prior to departure.
Owner or occupier of any commercial or recreational boat transported by trailer	For any movement from the Colonial sea squirt quarantine area to another Australian port, bay or estuary south of latitude 32°S the boat must be managed in accordance with the National Biofouling Management Guidelines for Recreational Vessels.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Owner or user of any marine equipment • Owner or occupier of any non-trade boat including barges, lighters, dredges, cable/lift vessels 	For any movement from the Colonial sea squirt quarantine area to another Australian port, bay or estuary south of latitude 32°S: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the boat and equipment must have undergone an inspection and anti-fouling treatment in accordance with the National Biofouling Management Guidelines for Commercial Fishing Vessels in the prior seven days; and (b) the boat and equipment must be clean of all fouling material and organisms; and (c) the boat must only exchange ballast water at sea in accordance with Australian Ballast Water Management Requirements; and (d) the Incident Control Centre or NSW Maritime must be notified of the destination port prior to departure.

Holder of an aquaculture permit in respect of all or part of the Colonial sea squirt quarantine area in relation to any aquaculture boats or equipment that they own or use	For any movement from the Colonial sea squirt quarantine area to another Australian port, bay or estuary south of latitude 32°S: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the boat and equipment must be clean of all fouling material and organisms; and (b) the boat and equipment must be inspected by a fisheries officer within 24 hours prior to the movement; and (c) the Incident Control Centre or NSW Maritime must be notified of the destination port prior to departure.
Holder of an aquaculture permit in respect of all or part of the Colonial sea squirt quarantine area in relation to any aquaculture products that they produce	For any movement from the Colonial sea squirt quarantine area the product must have been de-clumped and cleaned using fresh water, and must be transported directly to outlets for human consumption.

Definitions

In this Order:

Aquaculture product means fish or marine vegetation cultivated or kept for aquaculture purposes

Australian Ballast Water Management Requirements means the publication titled “Australian Ballast Water Management Requirements” Version 4, March 2008 prepared by Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service and available online at http://www.daff.gov.au/aqis/avm/vessels/ballast/australian_ballast_water_management_requirements_-_version_4

Australian Government Defence biosecurity protocol means the Australian Government Department of Defence policy entitled “Management of Biosecurity and Overabundant Native Species Risks on the Defence Estate” December 2009.

boat means any kind of vessel, however navigated.

declared disease means a disease to which Division 4 of Part 6 of the Act applies.

Defence boat means any boat that is owned or operated by the Australian Government Department of Defence

directly means without approaching within 1 km of the Australian coast anywhere between the origin and destination ports

Incident Control Centre means the Didemnum vexillum Emergency Incident Control Centre established by the NSW Department of Industry and Investment and contactable on 0488 990 661

marine equipment includes any boating, fishing or harvesting equipment or part thereof, anchors and anchor lines, mooring apparatus, poles, posts, buoys, moorings and other things in possession of a person in, on or adjacent to the waters of the quarantine area.

National Biofouling Management Guidelines for Commercial Vessels means the Publication titled ‘National Biofouling Management Guidelines for Commercial Vessels’ dated January 2009, prepared under the ‘National System for the Prevention and Management of Marine Pest Incursions’ on behalf of the Australian Government and available online at http://www.marinepests.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0011/1109594/Biofouling_guidelines_commercial_vessels.pdf

National Biofouling Management Guidelines for Commercial Fishing Vessels means the Publication titled ‘National Biofouling Management Guidelines for Commercial Fishing Vessels’ dated January 2009, prepared under the ‘National System for the Prevention and Management of Marine Pest Incursions’ on behalf of the Australian Government and available online at http://www.marinepests.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0010/1109593/Biofouling_guidelines_fishing.pdf

National Biofouling Management Guidelines for Recreational Vessels means the Publication titled ‘National Biofouling Management Guidelines for Recreational Vessels’ dated January 2009, prepared under the ‘National System for the Prevention and Management of Marine Pest Incursions’ on behalf of the Australian Government and available online at http://www.marinepests.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0009/1109592/Biofouling_guidelines_rec.pdf

NSW Maritime means the NSW Maritime Authority contactable on (02) 6496 1719

Sea squirt quarantine area means the area specified in Schedule 1.

Dated this 8th day of April 2010.

PAUL O’CONNOR,
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Department of Industry and Investment

For further information regarding this order please phone movement control on 0488 990 661.

For information about *Didemnum vexillum* please call (02) 4982 1232 during business hours, visit <http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fisheries/pests-diseases/marine-pests/species/seasquirt> or email your query to aquatic.pests@industry.nsw.gov.au

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