

Unrestricted Pilot Licence

A person is eligible to apply for an unrestricted pilot licence, for a stated pilotage area, if the person, at the time of applying for the licence:

- (a) holds a restricted pilot licence for the pilotage area; and
- (b) holds a Certificate of Medical Fitness; and
- (c) has, while performing the duties of a licensed pilot, completed the required number of transits.

A person is eligible to hold an unrestricted pilot licence for the Whitsundays pilotage area if the person:

- (a) holds an unrestricted pilot licence for:
 - (i) the inner route pilotage area; or
 - (ii) the Hydrographers Passage pilotage area; and
- (b) has completed 2 transits in the Whitsundays pilotage area in any capacity within the last 5 years; and
- (c) holds a Certificate of Medical Fitness; and
- (d) for a licence in the area permitting anchorage of passenger ships in cruise ship anchorages has completed the approved pilotage training course for Whitsunday Anchoring.

In this provision:

required number of transits means:

- (a) for eligibility to hold an unrestricted pilot licence for the inner route pilotage area:
 - (i) 6 transits of the inner route pilotage area while holding a restricted licence with a draught limit of 11.5 m for the area; and
 - (ii) at least 1 transit mentioned in subparagraph (i) being an assessment transit on a ship with a draught of 11 m or more with a check pilot nominated by AMSA; and
- (b) for eligibility to hold an unrestricted pilot licence for the Hydrographers Passage pilotage area:
 - (i) 20 transits of the area; and
 - (ii) at least 1 transit mentioned in subparagraph (i) being a check pilot voyage with a check pilot nominated by AMSA; and
- (c) for eligibility to hold an unrestricted pilot licence for the Great North East Channel pilotage area:

- (i) 6 transits of Torres Strait west of Alert Patches while holding a restricted licence for the area permitting piloting of ships up to 11.5 m draught; and
- (ii) at least 1 transit mentioned in subparagraph (i) being a check pilot voyage on a ship with a draught of 11 m or more with a check pilot nominated by AMSA; and
- (iii) 2 transits of the Great North East Channel pilotage area