

## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ACT 2005 (WA)**

### **Sections 67, 70 and 72A**

## **DIRECTIONS – MV EMERALD INDAH and MV EMERALD INDAH CREW MEMBERS**

The World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic on 11 March 2020.

On 15 March 2020, the Minister for Emergency Services declared a state of emergency with effect from 12 am on 16 March 2020 in respect of the pandemic caused by COVID-19 pursuant to section 56 of the *Emergency Management Act 2005 (WA)* (**Act**). The state of emergency applies to the State of Western Australia.

I, Christopher John Dawson, State Emergency Coordinator and Commissioner of Police, now give the following directions pursuant to my powers under sections 67, 70 and 72A of the Act.

### **PREAMBLE**

1. The purpose of these directions is to:
  - (a) prohibit the MV Emerald Indah coming into Western Australia; and
  - (b) manage the entry of **MV Emerald Indah Crew Members** into Western Australia; and
  - (c) prevent the importation of COVID-19 into Western Australia, and
  - (d) to otherwise mitigate or prevent the potential adverse effects of COVID-19.

### **COMMENCEMENT**

2. These directions comes into effect upon signing.

### **OPERATION**

3. These directions apply despite:
  - (a) the Maritime Crew Member Directions; and
  - (b) the Controlled Border for Western Australia Directions.

### **DIRECTIONS**

#### **Entry of the Vessel into Western Australia**

4. The owner, operator or person apparently in charge of the **vessel** must not allow the vessel to **enter the relevant area**.

5. The owner, operator or person apparently in charge of the vessel must take all reasonable steps to ensure the vessel does not enter the **relevant area**.

#### **Entry of MV Emerald Indah Crew Members into Western Australia**


6. An MV Emerald Indah crew member must not enter Western Australia unless that person has been given approval to enter Western Australia by the Chief Health Officer, or any other person authorised by the Chief Health Officer for that purpose, which approval may be given subject to terms and conditions.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

7. **Enter** means:
- (a) in the case of paragraphs 4 and 5, to come into; and
  - (b) otherwise, has the same meaning that it has in the Controlled Border for Western Australia Directions.
8. **MV Emerald Indah Crew Member** means a member of the crew of the vessel at the commencement of these directions.
9. **Relevant area** means any land or waters within the coastal waters of the State of Western Australia.
10. **Vessel** means the bulk carrier MV Emerald Indah.

#### **PENALTIES**

It may be an offence to fail to comply with this direction, punishable by imprisonment for up to 12 months or a fine of up to \$50,000 for individuals.



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**Christopher John Dawson**

Commissioner of Police and State Emergency Coordinator

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