

NAVIGATION RESTRICTION

(*Marine Safety Act 1998 s.12*)

Farm Cove, Sydney Harbour

HANDA OPERA ON SYDNEY HARBOUR 2015

Monday 2 March 2015 – Friday 8 May 2015

THE EVENT

Vessel operators are advised that Roads & Maritime Services (RMS) has declared that the above event, which is to be held on the waters in Farm Cove, Sydney Harbour is a Special Event pursuant to Section 12(2) of the *Marine Safety Act 1998*.

SPECIAL EVENT & EXCLUSIVE USE AREA

Due to the potential to affect the safety of navigation, RMS has granted an Exclusive Use Aquatic Licence to Opera Australia to conduct the event, and a **Special Event/Exclusive Use Area** will be established as follows:

- During the 'construction periods' from 2 March 2015 to 18 March 2015, and then during the dismantling period from 27 April 2015 to 8 May 2015 – **24 hours per day**; then
- During performances (19 March 2015 to 26 April 2015), between **5.30pm and 11.00pm**

The Special Event Area will cover the navigable waters of Farm Cove, Sydney Harbour. An Exclusive Use Area inside the Special Event Area, within which entry of unauthorized vessels is strictly prohibited, will be marked by lit buoys and patrolled by control and security vessels.

DIRECTIONS

RMS advises:

- a) Persons within the vicinity of the Area **must** comply with any directions given by a Boating Safety Officer or Police Officer in relation to the Special Event or to marine safety. Failure to comply with any such direction is an offence (*Marine Safety Act 1998, s.15A* - Maximum Penalty \$3,300.00).
- b) No unauthorised vessels are permitted to enter, stop, or anchor within the marked Exclusive Use Area under any circumstances, and to do so may be an offence (*Marine Safety Act 1998, s.12(6)* - Maximum Penalty \$1,100.00)

MAPS & CHARTS AFFECTED

RMS Boating Map – 9D
Hydrographic Chart AUS 202

For further information concerning this Navigation Restriction, please contact Roads & Maritime Services Info Line: **131 236 (8:30am to 4:30pm 7 days a week)** or go to rms.nsw.gov.au/maritime

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