

## PROTECTED ZONE PERMIT APPLICATION FEES

**1 July 2018 - 30 June 2019**

Below is the schedule of fees for Permit Applications to conduct works and activities within a protected zone. Section 18(1), 18(2) and 18(3) of the *Heritage (Underwater Cultural Heritage) Regulations 2017*, for the purposes of section 77 of the Heritage Act 2017, prescribes the fee to accompany a permit application submitted to Heritage Victoria. Fees are as follows:

Description of activities	Regulation	Fee
Enter a protected zone to conduct any form of recreational diving or snorkelling	18(1)(a)	\$14.50 per diver
Enter a protected zone to conduct any form of recreational diving or snorkelling that requires the use of moorings within that protected zone	18(1)(b)	\$28.90 per diver
Enter a protected zone to conduct any form of recreational diving or snorkelling one time with maximum of 10 divers or snorkelers plus any non-diving boat crew members	18(3)(a)	\$115.60
Enter a protected zone to conduct any form of recreational diving or snorkelling with maximum of 12 divers or snorkelers plus any non-diving boat crew members up to a maximum of five times during a period not exceeding 12 months.	18(3)(b)	\$578.00
Enter a protected zone for any other purpose that requires the use of moorings within that protected zone	18(2)(f)	\$955.10
Enter a protected zone for any other purpose	18(2)(g)	\$955.10
Possess or use equipment, instruments or explosives of a kind referred to in section 76 of the Act in a protected zone	18(2)(a)	\$955.10
Take, destroy, damage, remove, disturb or otherwise interfere with less than 50 per cent of any registered shipwreck, historic shipwreck, registered shipwreck artefact or historic shipwreck artefact	18(2)(b)	\$955.10
Any other activity on or below land within a protected zone or any other underwater activity in a protected zone	18	\$1,445.00

### Payment

Refer to permit application form for payment options

### **Waiver of a fee for a permit**

Section 20 of the regulations states that the Heritage Council may waive a permit application fee prescribed in respect of sections 77 and 78 of the Heritage Act, if it is satisfied that the activities to which the application relates are:

- a) For the purposes of the conservation or research of a registered shipwreck, historic shipwreck, registered shipwreck artefact or historic shipwreck artefact; or
- b) To educate the public as to the cultural heritage significance of a registered shipwreck, historic shipwreck, registered shipwreck artefact or historic shipwreck artefact: or
- c) For the safety of the public; or
- d) The same, or primarily the same, as the act or thing for which a permit has been issued to the applicant in relation to a registered shipwreck, historic shipwreck, registered shipwreck artefact or historic shipwreck artefact; or
- e) Is in respect of a permit application from a community group.

### **Exemption from fees**

Section 19 of the regulations states that a person who is an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the *State Concessions Act 2004* is exempt from paying the following fees;

- a) A fee for the grant of a permit under section 77 of the Act for the use of a registered shipwreck, historic shipwreck, registered shipwreck artefact or historic shipwreck artefact situated in, on or under land that the person owns and which is the persons principle place of residence; or
- b) The fee referred to in 18(1)(a) for the grant of a permit under section 77 of the Act to enter a protected zone to conduct any form of recreational diving or snorkelling; or
- c) The fee referred to in 18(1)(b) for the grant of a permit under section 77 of the Act to enter a protected zone to conduct any form of recreational diving or snorkelling that requires the use of moorings.

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