Advice for licence/permit applicants

When considering licence applications for activities under aquatic licences, hire and drive licences, survey permits and mooring licences, Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 requires NSW Maritime to take into account “to the fullest extent possible” the effects, or likely effects, of these activities on the environment.

NSW Maritime is therefore required by the Act to consider the impacts of your proposed activities, and your proposed mitigation measures, on the following aspects of the environment:

1. Landforms and soils;
2. Water quality;
3. Noise generation;
4. Air quality;
5. Biodiversity;
6. Waste generation;
7. Services;
8. Existing or proposed land uses in the vicinity;
9. The community;
10. Traffic, parking and pedestrian access;
11. Indigenous heritage;
12. Non-indigenous heritage;
13. Scenic qualities and visual amenity;
14. The safety of persons, structures and the environment; and
15. Cumulative impacts.

Your licence/permit application will be assessed by NSW Maritime against these considerations and, in doing so, NSW Maritime may be required to consult with other relevant agencies, including the local council.

If you do not provide sufficient information for NSW Maritime to assess these aspects of your proposal, you may be asked to provide additional information. If you do not provide sufficient information NSW Maritime may refuse your application.