

Navigation Safety

The Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) has responsibility for a wide range of maritime activities including management of the Commonwealth aids to navigation network.

AMSA manages some 470 aids to provide a comprehensive coverage of Australia's coastline, assisting mariners to make safe and efficient passages. All costs associated with running the AMSA network of aids to navigation are met by the shipping industry through the Marine Navigation Levy. Commercial cargo and passenger vessels of more than 24 metres pay the levy based on the net registered tonnage.

AMSA routinely assesses shipping patterns to ensure its aids to navigation network continues to meet the requirements of the shipping industry and protect environmentally sensitive areas.

While expanding the use of electronic aids to navigation, AMSA recognises the continuing importance of lights and daymarks for safe navigation.



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