

Marine Rescue Carnarvon / VMR 676

Information Sheet– Current 2023*

Area Covered: Bush Bay to Point Quobba including Dorre and Bernier Islands **

Headquarters Address:

Harbour Rd, South Carnarvon, WA 6701
PO Box 699, Carnarvon WA 6701

Contact:

Landline: (08) 9941 3613

Mobile: 0455 851 318 (use for Log on/Log off)

Email: carnarvonvsr@westnet.com.au

Website:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Carnarvon-Volunteer-Sea-Rescue-1397511437188862/>

Base Open Hours

0700 – 1700 Weekends & Public Holidays

Radio Monitoring:

Operating Hours: 24/7 (Home bases outside of Base Open hours)

VHF Channels: 16, 81 (Cape Cuvier Repeater)

27 MHz Channels: 88

HF: 4125 KHz

RoIP Channels Installed: 16, 73 & 81

ⓘ Please Note: Channel 16 is monitored for **Distress and Urgency** calls from this area by the Water Police.

Log on/Log off Information:

Call Sign: Marine Rescue Carnarvon (VMR676)

Preferred Contact: VHF Channel 16 — 27MHz Channel 88 (0700 – 1700 Weekends & Public Holidays)

Outside of Base Open hours: Text No. 0455 851 318 — Provide your vessel's: name, registration number, departure point, destination, trip intentions, number of people on board, fuel carried (POB) and estimated time for return (ETR).

This is vital information in case of an emergency.

ⓘ Please be aware, after 30 minutes past ETR, Search and Rescue procedures will commence.

Boating Information:

Carnarvon – Denham boating guide:

https://www.transport.wa.gov.au/mediaFiles/marine/MAC_G_Boating_Carnarvon.pdf

Coastal Waters Forecast: <http://www.bom.gov.au/wa/forecasts/gascoyne-coast.shtml>

Fishing Rules:

Department of Fisheries Recreational Fishing Guide

https://www.fish.wa.gov.au/Documents/recreational_fishing/rec_fishing_guide/recreational_fishing_guide.pdf

Gascoyne Coast Bioregion: Specific rules in this bioregion covering restricted and closed areas.

<http://www.fish.wa.gov.au/Fishing-and-Aquaculture/Recreational-Fishing/Recreational-Fishing-Rules/Gascoyne-Coast-Bioregion/Pages/index.aspx>

Bernier & Dorre Islands Nature Reserve Information:

<https://www.sharkbay.org/place/bernier-dorre-islands-nature-reserve/>

Access to Dorre Island is prohibited for quarantine purposes. It is the only natural population of western barred bandicoots free of a papilloma virus.

To reduce potential wildfire, weed, pest and disease risks to Bernier Island, camping is not permitted. Fires are also prohibited on the island.

Further information at: https://www.sharkbay.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/Bernier_and_Dorre_Islands_Nature-Reserve-brochure_2011.pdf

ⓘ Please be Aware that the only reliable means of communication with the mainland from the Islands is via the VHF Marine Radio network using the repeater channels 81.

Disclaimer:

*Every effort is made to keep this information as accurate as possible, however it can change without notice. If visiting the area, it is recommended that the local Marine Rescue Group be contacted.

**The area covered is nominal only, based on the geographical distance between the different Marine Rescue Groups.