

Special BOOKING and CANCELLATION terms of live-aboard operations (to be read in conjunction with General booking terms of Diversions Dive Travel)

AUSTRALIA

Special terms applicable to all live-aboards

ITINERARY/WEATHER

The operator will endeavour to adhere to the scheduled itinerary, but reserves the right to alter the proposed itinerary or cancel the trip in the event of extreme weather conditions. Trip itineraries are subject to change at the sole discretion of the Master of the Vessel. In the event that a trip is delayed, or cut short due to weather or medical emergency, fees will not be refunded. The operator will not be held financially responsible for an alternative trip or accommodation, any inconvenience incurred, or for adverse weather conditions or illness as a result. Trip fees will not be refunded should you be unable to board in time for the scheduled departure or be unable to complete all available dives. **The purchase of travel insurance is highly recommended.**

EVACUATION INSURANCE

It is recommended that all passengers have a comprehensive accident and evacuation insurance. Please be aware that scuba diving and in water activities are not covered by most travel insurance. Some operators insist on taking out this insurance before allowing boarding. A standard liability release and disclaimer form will have to be signed.

MEDICAL STATEMENT

You will be required to state that you are medically fit to dive when you board. If you have a medical history of: - Asthma - Epilepsy - Diabetes - Heart or Lung disorders - it is required that you produce a current diving medical certificate from a diving medical specialist, stating that you are medically fit to scuba dive. This medical certificate must be in accordance with the Australian Standards AS4005.1. Should you have any questions at all regarding this, please contact us as soon as possible!

FEES & CHARGES

Environment Management Charge (EMC):

The Environmental Management Charge or EMC is a charge payable by most commercial operators granted permits by the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority (GBRMPA). This includes operators conducting tourist programs and non-tourist commercial charters plus those operating facilities in the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park (GBRMP). Visitors to the reef participating in a tourist activity are now liable to pay the charge to the permit holder. The role of the operator in relation to the charge is to collect and remit the charge to the GBRMPA. Charges will be collected for the first 3 days of an extended charter. Fourth or subsequent days of an extended charter will only be collected if the visitor participates in an activity with another permit holder.

Port Charges:

Port charges are determined by the Cairns Port Authority. Every passenger coming through the Cairns Marlin Marina pays a passenger levy to the Cairns Port Authority. This levy is collected by the operators and remitted to the authorities.

Fuel and Administration Charges:

These fees and charges have been set by the individual operators and can therefore vary from one operator to another.

For a full table of charges for all Australian Liveaboards please go to

<http://www.diversionoz.com/en/surchargesgbr.htm>

OTHER

- Certified divers must present a valid Certification Card before diving.
- Same gender cabin share cannot be guaranteed.
- A Diver Profile Form has to be filled in and send back to us prior to departure.



Specific terms which vary with the live-aboard operator

Mike Ball Spoilsport, Cairns

PAYMENTS OF DEPOSITS/BALANCE

- Deposit 20% of trip cost at time of reservation
- Balance due 60 days prior to departure

CANCELLATION POLICY

- Cancellation up to 91 days prior departure: AUD 100.00 cancellation fee.
- Cancellation 90 to 60 days prior departure: 30% cancellation fee.
- Cancellation 59 to 30 days prior departure: 50% cancellation fee.
- Cancellation 29 to 0 days no refund.

SPIRIT OF FREEDOM, Cairns

PAYMENTS OF DEPOSITS/BALANCE

- Deposit 20% of trip cost at time of reservation
- Balance due 30 days prior to departure

CANCELLATION POLICY

- 20% cancellation fee applies with less than 60 days notice
- 100% fee applies with 21 days or less notice

Taka, Cairns

PAYMENTS OF DEPOSITS/BALANCE

- Deposit 20% of trip cost at time of reservation
- Balance due 30 days prior to departure

CANCELLATION POLICY

- Cancellation up to 30 days prior departure: 20% cancellation fee.
- Cancellation 30 to 15 days prior departure: 50% cancellation fee.
- Cancellations 14 to 0 days no refund.

Undersea Explorer, Port Douglas

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- Cancellation 59 to 30 days prior departure: 20% cancellation fee.
- Cancellations 29 to 0 days no refund.