



# WILDLIFE INTERACTION ZONE

## TOURIST BOAT PERMIT

NATIONAL CONSERVATION LAW (2013) (Section 20)

The named company is hereby granted by the National Conservation Council a *Tourist Boat Permit* to carry paying passengers into the Stingray City and Sand Bar Wildlife Interaction Zones as described in the National Conservation Law. The Permit is valid for a period of one (1) year from the 30<sup>th</sup> January to the 30<sup>th</sup> January the subsequent year, and may be renewed subject to a renewal application and the payment of relevant fees. **The Permit is subject to the conditions specified below or other conditions as may be notified to the Permit holder in writing at any time.**

### **THIS PERMIT IS ISSUED WITH THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:**

- 1. The permitted vessel must display both Wildlife Interaction Zone Entry Permit Stickers issued with this Permit in a prominent and readily visible location on either side of the vessel. Likewise, the name of the vessel must be displayed in a prominent and readily visible location.**
2. When feeding wildlife within the Wildlife Interaction Zone only one designated staff member may feed the fish.
3. For the duration of each trip a maximum of 1 lb. (1/2 kg) of approved food may be used at the designated feeding station.
4. Approved foods that may be fed to wildlife at the designated feeding station include ballyhoo and squid. No other food is to be used unless a written notification is issued by the National Conservation Council.
5. The permitted vessel may not carry paying passengers into the Sand Bar Area of the Sand Bar Wildlife Interaction Zone after 2:00 pm on weekends or after 3:00 pm on public holidays.
6. The permitted vessel may not carry more than 100 people per trip into the Sand Bar Area of the Sand Bar Wildlife Interaction Zone, regardless of the total capacity of the vessel.
7. The permitted vessel may not discharge paying passengers into the Sand Bar Area of the Sand Bar Wildlife Interaction Zone if there are more than 1,500 people in the area.
8. The permitted vessel may not enter within the Sand Bar Area of the Sand Bar Wildlife Interaction Zone if there are already 20 permitted tourist boats in the area.
9. The permitted vessel may not remain at the Sand Bar Area of the Sand Bar Wildlife Interaction Zone for a more than one (1) hour per visit.
10. The permitted vessel shall properly maintain an operational holding tank and must not permit any marine head installed on the vessel to discharge directly into the waters of any Wildlife Interaction Zone.
11. The permitted vessel must be operated by an employee of the company which owns the vessel.
12. The Permit Holder must comply with all provisions of the National Conservation Law.

### **The Council may suspend or revoke a permit under this Part if it appears to the Council that -**

- (a) any material particular on the application for the permit was false;
- (b) the permit holder is convicted of any offence under the Law, any regulations or directives thereunder; or
- (c) the permit holder contravenes any condition or restriction of the permit, or any condition or restriction of any other license or permit granted to him, whether or not the permit holder is prosecuted or convicted of any offence in relation to such contravention.