

RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT 2009 APPLICATION FOR ASSESSED DISCLOSURE

APPLICANTS DETAILS			
Name:		Title:	
Postal Address:			
Daytime contact information (telephone):	Business:	Home:	Mobile:
Email:			
Public Authority or Minister applied to:			
General topic of information applied for (one sentence summary of information requested):			
Description of efforts made prior to this application to obtain this information:			
Application fee included (please tick):			
OR, application for waiver:			
Member of Parliament		Impecunious applicant:	
		General public interest of benefit:	
If application for personal information, proof of identify provided (please tick) :			
Details of the Information sought:			
(If there is insufficient room in the space provided please attach further details.)			
Applicants Signature:		Date:	

INFORMATION ABOUT ASSESSED DISCLOSURE UNDER THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT 2009

OBJECT OF THE ACT

Section 3 of the Act includes this statement of the objects of the Act:

- (1)** *The object of this Act is to improve democratic government in Tasmania –*
 - (a)** *by increasing the accountability of the executive to the people of Tasmania; and*
 - (b)** *by increasing the ability of the people of Tasmania to participate in their governance; and*
 - (c)** *by acknowledging that information collected by public authorities is collected for and on behalf of the people of Tasmania and is the property of the State.*
- (2)** *This object is to be pursued by giving members of the public the right to obtain information held by public authorities and Ministers.*
- (3)** *This object is also to be pursued by giving members of the public the right to obtain information about the operations of Government.*
- (4)** *It is the intention of Parliament –*
 - (a)** *that this Act be interpreted so as to further the object set out in subsection (1); and*
 - (b)** *that discretions conferred by this Act be exercised so as to facilitate and promote, promptly and at the lowest reasonable cost, the provision of the maximum amount of official information.*

APPLICATIONS FOR ASSESSED DISCLOSURE

Applications are to be addressed to:

Right to Information Officer
Tasmanian Ports Corporation Pty. Ltd.
PO Box 478
Devonport TAS 7310

Or email rti@tasports.com.au

- Applications are to be made in writing and include the information required by Regulation 4 of the *Right to Information Regulations 2010*.
- Applications are to be accompanied by the application fee. This fee is 25 fee units, which is \$40.50 as at 1 July 2019 and is indexed annually.
- An applicant can apply for the application fee to be waived where the applicant is a Member of Parliament in the pursuit of their official duty; where the applicant is impecunious; and where the information sought is intended to be used for a purpose that is of general public interest or benefit.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PUBLIC AUTHORITY

- Applicants are to be notified of the decision on an application for assessed disclosure within 20 working days of the application being accepted by the public authority.

- ✓ Before the application is accepted, the public authority has a maximum of 10 working days to negotiate with the applicant to further define the application.
- ✓ If a need to consult with a third party arises, a further 20 working days will be allowed in addition to the original 20 days.
- ✓ If these time limits are not conformed with, the application will be deemed to be refused and the applicant may apply to the Ombudsman for a review of that decision