## Legal Notice No. 1 of 2025





## HARBOURS (ASCENSION) ORDINANCE, 2005

# HARBOURS (ASCENSION) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2025

In the exercise of the powers conferred by section 21 of the Harbours (Ascension) Ordinance 2005, the Governor makes the following Regulations:

#### Citation and commencement

- **1.** (1) These Regulations may be cited as the Harbours (Ascension)(Amendment) Regulations, 2025.
  - (2) These regulations come into force on 1 March 2025.

## Amendment of regulation 19 - No person to remove sand etc. without permission

- 2. (1) The Harbours (Ascension) Regulations, 2010 are amended as follows.
  - (2) In regulation 19, after sub-regulation (2) insert—
- "(3) If the beach or part of the ocean floor in question falls within an area declared by order under section 3 of the National Protected Areas Ordinance, 2003, to be a marine protected area, the Administrator must, before granting permission under this regulation—
  - (a) consider all management plans devised in relation to the protected area which is in force at the time under that Ordinance,
  - (b) consult the Director of Conservation and Fisheries as to any conditions that may be required if permission is granted, and
  - (c) have paramount regard to ensuring safe and efficient navigation in harbour waters.".

Made this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025.

Nigel Phillips CBE Governor

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These regulations amend the Harbours (Ascension) Regulations 2010 to require the Administrator to consult the Director of Conservation and Fisheries and take additional factors into consideration when granting permission for the removal of sand, stone or gravel from a beach or part of the ocean floor that falls within an area protected under the National Protected Areas Ordinance, 2003.