

Government Notice No. 65 of 2008

THE TOURISM AUTHORITY ACT 2006

**Regulations made by the Minister under section 129 of the
Tourism Authority Act 2006**

1. These regulations may be cited as the Tourism Authority (Speed Limit Zone for Pleasure Craft) (Bel Ombre) Regulations 2008.

2. In these regulations –

“Act” means the Tourism Authority Act 2006;

“speed limit zone” means the stretch of the sea described in Part A of the Schedule and depicted in the plan set out in Part B of that Schedule.

3. (1) No person shall operate a pleasure craft at a speed exceeding 5 nautical miles per hour (5 knots) in the speed limit zone.

(2) It shall be a sufficient defence to a prosecution under section 126 of the Act for an offence of unlawful operation of a pleasure craft at a speed exceeding 5 nautical miles per hour (5 knots) in the speed limit zone that the person charged had reasonable cause to believe that the safety of –

(a) a pleasure craft;

(b) a person on board a pleasure craft; or

(c) any other person,

was in peril.

4. These regulations shall come into operation on 1st May, 2008.

Made by the Minister on 16 April 2008.

SCHEDULE*(regulation 2)***Speed limit zone****Part A - Description of speed limit zone**

The area of the speed limit zone is the stretch of the sea from the high water mark to the coral reefs, which is delimited by buoys having the following coordinates:

Starting from point BEL1 on the coast at Bel Ombre off Bel Ombre Government School having grid coordinates 986820 mE, 965975 mN and geographical coordinates 57° 24' 09.1" E, 20° 30' 19.5" S, the limit runs along an imaginary line in a direction of 26° West of South and meets the reef at point BEL2 having grid coordinates 986330 mE, 964975 mN and geographical coordinates 57° 23' 52.1" E, 20° 30' 52.0" S. From this point the limit runs in a general easterly direction along the reef up to point BEL3 having grid coordinates 991440 mE, 966190 mN and geographical coordinates 57° 26' 48.5" E, 20° 30' 12.6" S. From this point the limit runs along an imaginary line in the north-west direction up to point BEL4 on the coast at the mouth of River Jacotét in Bay Jacotét having grid coordinates 991245 mE, 966390 mN and geographical coordinates 57° 26' 41.8" E, 20° 30' 06.1" S. From this point the limit follows the high water mark line in a general westerly direction up to point BEL1.

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- Notes:** (a) Grid coordinates are based on the National Grid System of Mauritius which is referenced on Clarke 1880 datum and the geographical coordinates are referenced to the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84).
- (b) mE means metre East
- (c) mN means metre North

Part B - Plan of speed limit zone