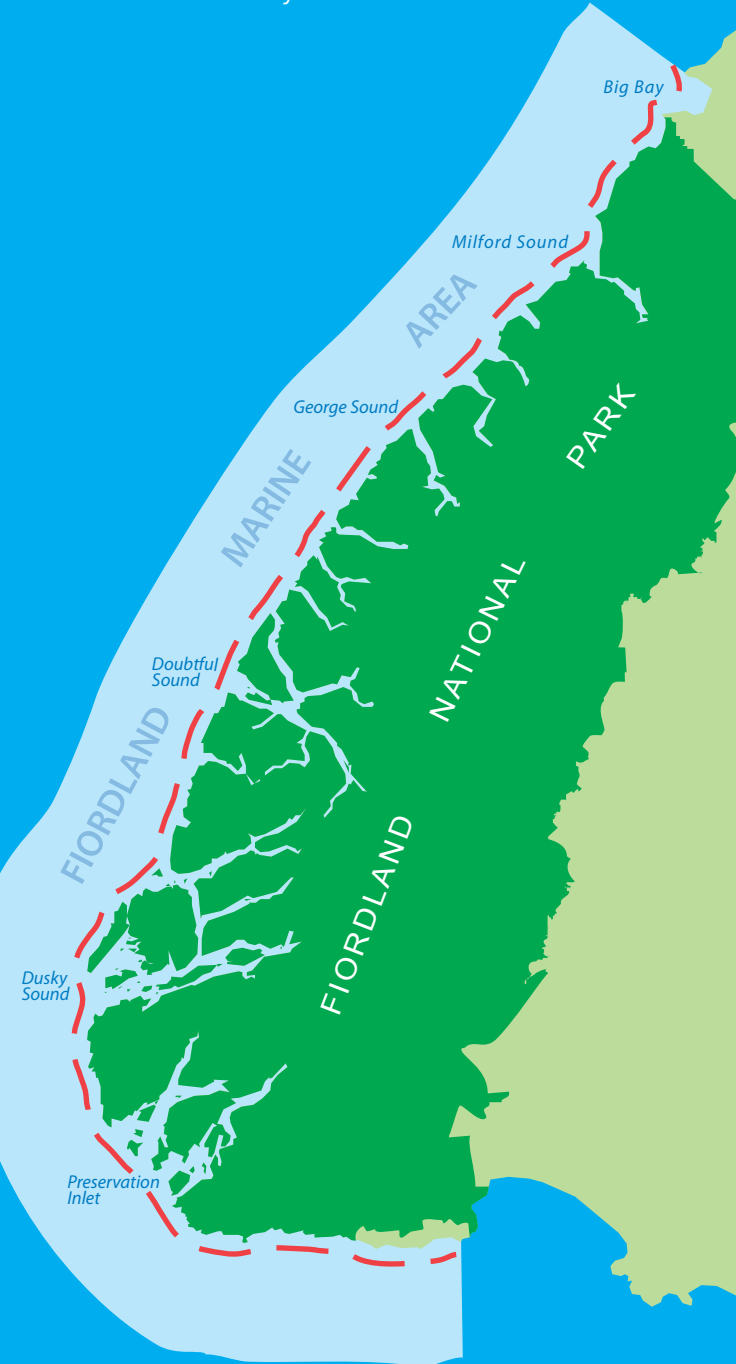


Fiordland Marine Pathway
Plan area boundary



▲ Undaria poses a major risk to the Fiordland marine area (KATH BLAKEMORE, DOC)

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Fiordland Marine Pathway Plan

What does it mean for you?



▶ Protecting Fiordland

With its breath-taking scenery and pristine waters, Fiordland is one of New Zealand's most unique and nationally significant areas – ecologically and economically. It is vital we protect it.

The impact of marine pests, such as the highly invasive undaria or Mediterranean fanworm, establishing can be significant, jeopardising both the economic and ecological wellbeing of Fiordland.

The Fiordland Marine Regional Pathway Management Plan is the first of its kind in New Zealand and is a huge step towards protecting and securing the future of this precious area.

The purpose of the plan is to reduce the risk of marine pests establishing in Fiordland by addressing the threat of these organisms being transported into the area by vessels.

You can download a copy of the plan at www.es.govt.nz.

▼ Mediterranean fanworm (*Sabella spallanzanii*) poses a serious risk to Fiordland. It has already established itself further north and has a tendency to hitch rides on the hulls of ships (CHRIS WOODS, NIWA)



▶ Clean Vessel Pass

If you intend to visit Fiordland, regardless of the size of your vessel, you will be required to hold a Fiordland Clean Vessel Pass and be aware of the risks and the ways you can minimise these. Obtaining a Clean Vessel Pass is a simple process and passes are valid for one year.

Applications can be made at any time through the year and an electronic copy will be provided immediately if the application is made online.

Any vessel found in the area defined by the plan without a Clean Vessel Pass is subject to a hull inspection and the associated costs of this.



How to apply

There are several ways to apply for or renew your Clean Vessel Pass.

- ▶ Go to www.es.govt.nz to apply online.
- ▶ Email service@es.govt.nz for an application form, which you can complete and then return via email.
- ▶ Phone 0800 76 88 45 to have an application form posted to you.

▶ Clean Vessel Standards

The Fiordland Marine Pathway Plan also sets out other rules which apply to all vessels entering within one nautical mile of the landward boundary of the Fiordland Marine Area.

Clean hull standard

The hull and niche areas have no more than a slime layer and goose barnacles. (*Note: Out of water cleaning is the preferred technique to achieve the clean hull standard.*)

Clean gear standard

All marine gear and equipment on the vessel (including any equipment to establish new moorings) is visibly clean, free of fouling, free of sediment and preferably dry.

Residual seawater standard

All on-board residual seawater has been treated or is visibly clean and free of sediment.

Record keeping

The owner or person in charge of a vessel entering the area which the plan applies to must keep records of the actions taken to meet the clean hull, clean gear and residual seawater standards and provide those records to an authorised person on request.