

Masters responsibilities

[Section 214 of the Navigation Act 2012](#) (Liability of master or owner under vessel traffic service arrangements) states that:

1. The master of a vessel is not relieved from responsibility for the conduct and navigation of the vessel merely because the vessel is subject to vessel traffic service arrangements.

2. A requirement under a law of the Commonwealth or of a State or Territory that vessel traffic service arrangements be complied with does not affect the liability of the owner or master of a vessel that complies with such arrangements for:
 - a) loss or damage caused by the vessel; or
 - b) loss or damage caused by a fault of the navigation of the vessel

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