

# SAFETY BULLETIN

<b>Safety Bulletin No.</b>	<b>2026 - 02</b>	<b>Date Issued</b>	April 2026
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Reintroduction of Lit Crosses for RWY 11/29 Temporary Displaced Thresholds</b>		
<b>Area of Concern</b>	Darwin International Airport – Airside		
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This safety bulletin is issued to advise all stakeholders of the reintroduction and use of illuminated visual aids (lit crosses) to mark unserviceable runway areas associated with short-term displaced thresholds on Runway 11/29.

These visual aids will be utilised during Department of Defence **Aircraft Hook Arrestor System Maintenance** works only, as detailed in the current Method of Works Plan (MOWP) available on the Darwin Airport website.

## Background

Lit crosses have not been used at Darwin International Airport for several years. The reintroduction enhances airside safety and aligns with current operational standards. They will be used in conjunction with the 36m fabric unserviceability cross to clearly identify closed sections of runway.

## The benefits for using lit crosses include:

- Improved visibility of unserviceable runway areas
- Enhanced pilot situational awareness during approach and landing
- Improved overall safety and reduced risks associated with runway displacements operations

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## *Appendix A – Photographic References*



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