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# PORT ALBERT POWDER MAGAZINE

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## Location

PIER STREET PORT ALBERT, WELLINGTON SHIRE

## Municipality

WELLINGTON SHIRE

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H8220-0003

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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Hermes Number 10832

Property Number

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## History

Powder Magazines in Victoria were primarily intended to store explosives used in goldmining, quarrying and road-making. Publicly owned powder magazines were located outside many goldfields towns to avoid accidental explosions close to residential areas. By 1890 there were 22 public magazines in Victoria, but by 1921 all were closed, due to the decline in goldmining activity. They were replaced by a system of licensed private magazines.

Powder Magazines were also constructed inside forts to store gunpowder and other explosives.

*This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.*

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