

# SigmaGlide Case Study



## VESSEL NAME

SPEEDONE  
Passenger/ro-ro ferry; built 1997; GRT 5,007  
operational speed 42 kn

## OWNER/MANAGER

Owned by INCATS (Tasmania, Australia) and on charter  
now to Speedferries (UK)

## LOCATION / COUNTRY

Inspected in Portsmouth, UK (February 2004)

## COATING SYSTEM

SigmaGlide system applied in July 2002 (on full gritblast  
and Sigma Multiguard system) in Australia when vessel  
was chartered by Australian Navy.

## COMMENTS

In August 2002 vessel was chartered to an Italian ferry operator and thereafter 12 months laid up in Portland, UK. The image on the right shows the vessel in drydock in Portsmouth prior to going on charter, with only slime on SigmaGlide-coated areas; the trip to the drydock was enough to remove fouling settlement observed in Portland. Fouling threat can be seen on unprotected areas (old keel blocks) where barnacles and tubeworms predominate. Vessel was only low-pressure, fresh water washed before returning to service.

