



Associated British Ports

South Wales

NOTICE TO MARINERS

NO 32 OF 2013

DEAD TOWS, UNUSUAL OBJECTS AND NON-ROUTINE TOWAGE EVENTS

MARINERS ARE ADVISED that a new addition to the Port Marine Safety Code Guide to Good Practice now requires Harbour Authorities to give special consideration to tows involving dead-ships or unusual objects and towage events of a non-routine nature.

Shipowners, towage contractors, tug masters, project managers and agents are further **ADVISED** that the person responsible for the safety and planning of the manoeuvre (and thereby acting as the Towing Master) must be clearly identified and be responsible for the production of risk assessments, method statements and passage plans which must be discussed and agreed in advance with the Harbour Authority.

A "Non-Routine Towage Assessment" form, copy attached must be submitted to the Harbour Authority in advance. When the details of the venture have been fully discussed and agreed the written approval of the Harbour Authority will be given on this form.

HARBOUR MASTER, SOUTH WALES
Queen Alexandra House, Cargo Road, CARDIFF, CF10 4LY

19th August 2013

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Owners, Agents and Charters should ensure that the contents of this notice are made known to the masters or persons in charge of their vessel or craft.

Non Routine Towage Assessment

PART 1 TO BE COMPLETED BY REQUESTING AGENT – RETURN TO - southwalesradio@abports.co.uk

Date of Intended Passage Agent Making Request (POC)

Agency Contact Number(s).....

Type of Towage Operation (tick) Dead Ship Barge Unusual Object

Towage From To

Details of The Tow

Name LOAm Breadthm Draftm

Brief Description of Tow

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Is the tow manned? Yes No

Are safe boarding arrangements available on each vessel requiring a pilot Yes No

What functioning propulsion/steerage does the tow have?

Propeller(s) Thruster(s) Rudder(s) None

Tug Details

Name(s)..... LOAm Draftm

Power/Bollard Pull KW/t

Towing Arrangement

Nominated Person with Overall Responsibility For The Safety Of The Manoeuvre

Name Position

Organisation/Vessel

Contact Telephone No(s)

PART 2 TO BE COMPLETED BY HARBOUR AUTHORITY

Pilotage

Number of Pilots Required (Manned tows require a pilot)

Boarding At Disembarking at

Have safe pilot boarding arrangements been verified Yes No

If 'No' give details

Is additional harbour towage required? Yes No If yes give details

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If necessary where will harbour towage be required? From To

HES Review

Passage plan timing limitations

Passage Plan Agreed Risk Assessment/Method Statement Agreed/Sighted

Reviewed By Position

Outcome

Approved Additional Action Required Actions Required

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Signature