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DUN LAOGHAIRE HARBOUR NOTICE TO MARINERS

PASSENGER SHIP TENDERING

Dun Laoghaire Harbour Company Harbour Lodge Crofton Road Dun Laoghaire Co Dublin

Date: 1 January 2015

This Notice to Mariners is intended to provide for the regulation of all ship-carried tenders used for transferring passengers from cruise ships anchored in Dublin Bay into Dun Laoghaire Harbour

Anchorage

Passenger ships intending to tender into Dun Laoghaire Harbour should normally anchor within the recommended Dublin Bay anchorage area. Please note that the water that lies between the charted anchorage area and Dun Laoghaire Harbour is used by leisure sailing and yacht racing. This area contains numerous statutorily sanctioned sail racing marker buoys. The position of the buoys can be found listed in the Dublin Port Company, Notice to Mariners No 14 of 2014

Preparation

Special attention should be given to Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport Notice 19 of 2014 and a copy of the Safety Proposal Plan required by that notice must be provided to Dun Laoghaire Harbour prior to the commencement of any operations

This Safety Proposal Plan must also contain a Risk Assessment and Standard Operating Procedure specific to tendering operations from the proposed anchorage position into Dun Laoghaire Harbour

If a ship wishes to anchor at a position outside the recommended anchorage area and closer in to the entrance of Dun Laoghaire, a written request must first be submitted to the Dublin Port Harbour Master. This to include the aforementioned Risk Assessment and Standard Operating Procedure and a Communications Plan

Operation restrictions

There is a speed limit of 8 knots within the harbour

All Tenders should stand well clear of any large commercial vessels arriving in to, or departing from, Dun Laoghaire

All Tenders should be aware that many pleasure boats operate in and out of Dun Laoghaire Harbour and they should navigate with caution at all times and the pleasure boats are requested to not obstruct these tenders whilst within Dun Laoghaire Harbour Limits

Attention must be given to the Dublin Port Company, Notice to Mariners No 10 of 2014

Communication Plan

The following should be noted in the Communication plan:

The ship and all its tenders are required to maintain a listening watch on VHF Channel 12 for VTS Dublin while operating within the Dublin Port area of jurisdiction.

Once tenders cross over into the Dun Laoghaire Harbour area of jurisdiction they should change over to VHF Channel 14.

A Dun Laoghaire Harbour craft will be stationed between the anchored ship and the mouth of Dun Laoghaire Harbour to monitor all tender movements and RIBs will be provided to guide tenders to the tender berth(s)

Tender berths

The primary tender berth is located in the Coal Harbour in the western side of the harbour

Lat: 53° 17.84' N Long: 06° 08.63' W

If more than one cruise ship is operating on the same day a second tender berth will be provided on the east side of Carlisle Pier in the eastern side of the harbour

Lat: 53° 17.70 N Long: 06° 07.80' W

On such occasions a second monitoring craft will be stationed within the harbour to direct tenders from both ships to their appropriate berths

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