



**NOTICE TO ALL MARINERS**  
**PILOTAGE DIRECTION FOR THE PORT OF PLYMOUTH**

1<sup>st</sup> April 2020

1. The Cattewater Harbour Commissioners, as the Competent Harbour Authority for the Port of Plymouth, hereby direct that under the Cattewater (Pilotage) Harbour Revision Order 1988, Pilotage shall be compulsory within the Plymouth Pilotage District for the vessels listed at paragraph 3 below.
2. **Area of Jurisdiction**  

So much of the tidal waters of the Port of Plymouth as is bounded on the north by the Tamar Bridges, on the east by the Laira Bridges and the south by an imaginary line drawn three and one half nautical miles radius from the lighthouse on Plymouth Breakwater, with the exception of any wharves, piers, jetties, docks or moorings belonging to the Ministry of Defence.
3. **Vessels Subject to Compulsory Pilotage**
  - a) All vessels over 50 metres length overall proceeding to or from an alongside or buoy berth in the port.
  - b) All vessels over 100 metres length overall proceeding within the area north of an imaginary line from Maker Point lighthouse to the western Plymouth Breakwater lighthouse, and north of an imaginary line from the eastern Plymouth Breakwater lighthouse to Staddon Point.
  - c) All vessels exceeding 125 metres length overall proceeding to an anchorage in Cawsand Bay.
  - d) All vessels exceeding 150 metres length overall proceeding north of an imaginary line drawn from Penlee Point to the Shag Stone.
  - e) All Vessels carrying Hazardous, Noxious or Polluting Cargoes, including those vessels not gas-freed from a previous cargo proceeding to or from an alongside berth or buoy in the port.
  - f) All vessels over 50 metres length overall not carrying paper navigational charts of Plymouth of a scale of 1:12,500 or larger and which show all numbered anchorages, or an IMO type approved ECDIS chart which displays the Band 5 chart for the area.

#### **4. Government Vessels**

Pilotage of the following vessels will be at the discretion of the Queen's Harbour Master - Plymouth, using an Admiralty Pilot when required:

- a) HM Ships,
- b) Government owned ships and auxiliaries and foreign warships/auxiliaries navigating in the port for the purpose of taking up or leaving an anchorage or Ministry of Defence owned berth, dock or mooring.
- c) Any vessel proceeding to a Ministry of Defence owned berth, dock or mooring.

#### **5. Exempted Vessels**

Vessels exempted from compulsory pilotage by Port of Plymouth Competent Harbour Authority:

All vessels not described in paragraphs 3 and 4.

#### **6. Pilotage Exemption Certificates**

Notice is hereby given that applications from *Bona Fide* Deck Officers for the issue of Pilotage Exemption Certificates for the above area of jurisdiction are contained in the appropriate rules published separately. Such certificates will only be granted following demonstration of the prescribed level of experience of the port followed by successful completion of an examination.

Applications for the grant and renewal of Pilotage Exemption Certificates are to be made on the appropriate form obtainable from the Harbour Master of the Competent Harbour Authority.

#### **7. Effective Date**

These Directions take effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020



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