

# FORTH PORTS LIMITED

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## NOTICE TO MARINERS FIRTH OF FORTH

### FORTH REPLACEMENT CROSSING

#### Chart reference: 728 & 736

All mariners are advised that the Forth Replacement Crossing is being constructed, including boreholes, preparatory work and surveys from October 2011 for a period of up to five years.

The new bridge is being constructed in a line west of the Forth Road Bridge from approx position

Lat  $56^{\circ} 00.75' N$  Long  $003^{\circ} 24.45' W$  to Lat  $55^{\circ} 59.60' N$  Long  $003^{\circ} 25.17' W$  along bearing  $019^{\circ} / 199^{\circ}$  through Beamer Rock.

The bridge consists of three columns situated clear of the main navigation routes (with one column on Beamer Rock) and associated approach viaducts from the north and south shores.

There will be numerous support craft operating in the vicinity of this construction area and running to and from this area from their marine base at R Berth in the Port of Rosyth.

All support vessels involved in river transit will advise FTNS of all movements on VHF Channel 71 and will display shapes and lights as per International Regulations.

Exclusion zones marked by lit special mark (yellow) buoys will be placed at the foot of each column prior to commencement of construction. Additional exclusion zones will be in place throughout this construction period and intimation of the above will be advised separately.

All vessels should ensure that their speed and wake are kept to safe limits and do not cause a hazard to other river users including vessels engaged in construction work.

Forth Navigation Service will broadcast information regarding any special river operation, but all river users should maintain a close listening watch on Channel 71 and navigate with caution within the area.

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