

FORTH PORTS PLC

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NOTICE TO MARINERS FIRTH OF FORTH

MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY CONSOLIDATED EUROPEAN REPORTING SYSTEM (CERS)

As part of the implementation of the CERS reporting system, the MCA has defined a mandatory requirement within this system to record the number of persons onboard a vessel for both the inbound and outbound voyages.

Forth Ports have amended their computer system to accommodate this requirement and clarification of the number of persons onboard will be included in the safety check and security information that is asked of a vessel when passing the Eastern Limits inbound by the VTS Officer and also outbound prior to sailing.

This will become live with effect from Sunday, 1 February 2009.

To assist, we have also amended the Notice of Proposed Vessel Movement Form to include this information, a copy of which is attached.

Status of Previously Published Notices:

No 1 of 2000 remains in force
No 14 of 2006 remains in force
Nos 20, and 28 of 2007 remain in force
Nos 8, 10, 13, 20, 21 and 22 of 2008 remain in force
No 1 of 2009 remains in force

(Signed R Baker)

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