

FORTH PORTS PLC

Via e-mail

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NOTICE TO MARINERS FIRTH OF FORTH

International Ship and Port Facility Code (ISPS) Implementation

Following the tragic events of 11th September 2001 the International Maritime Organisation agreed to develop new measures relating to the security of ships and of port facilities. The measures developed were laid out in the International Ship and Port Facility Code (ISPS).

Please be advised that ISPS implementation will commence at 0001 on the 1st July 2004 in line with the ISPS Code.

Detailed below are procedures required in order to comply.

Vessels not requiring any Pre-Arrival Information

Non-ISPS Vessel:

- Any vessel less than 500 GT; or
- Not Permanently Engaged on International Voyages; or
- Not commercial eg Northern Lighthouse Board

Pre-Arrival

Agents will be expected to forward the attached Pre-Arrival Security Information form to ships for completion. This form should then be forwarded to FTNS directly from the ship or via the agent.

The form should be received in FTNS at least 24 hours in advance of the estimated time of arrival at the Authority's Eastern Limit, or as soon as possible after departure from the last port if less than 24 hours passage.

If a ship arrives at the Eastern Limits without the Pre-Arrival form being received at FTNS or received but incorrectly completed, it will not be allowed to enter the port limits. At this point the vessel will be advised to contact their agent.

Arrival

On arrival at the Eastern Limits VTS will ask the following Questions:

- Do you have a valid International Ship Security Certificate (ISSC)?
- What is your present Security Level?

If the vessel is an ISPS compliant vessel and the answers to the questions above are acceptable, the VTS operator will state the Ports Security Level and the vessel will be cleared to proceed.

If the vessel should have but does not have a valid ISSC it will not be allowed to enter the river and will be reported to the MCA for their action as per the ISPS Code instructions.

Declaration of Security (DoS)

A DOS is a written agreement between a ship and a Port Facility that specifies the responsibilities each party will implement during the ship's stay in port.

A DOS will ONLY be required if:

- The vessel is registered in a Non-SOLAS country (not signed up to ISPS – see attached list); or
- The Port or Ship is at Security Level 3; or
- The Ship or Port makes a specific request.

If a DOS is required it is to be prepared before berthing via fax or e-mail. The form, in all instances, must be completed and signed before ship's crew is allowed to disembark and before loading/discharging. The vessel may require a visit from the PFSO to sign off the DOS but this will usually be undertaken by e-mail/fax at a Forth Ports facility.

Contact Details

FTNS

Telephone: 01324 498585
Fax: 01324 668480
Email: ftns@forthports.co.uk

Your full co-operation with the above is required.

Status of previously published notices:

No 7 of 1998 remains in force
No 13 of 1999 remains in force
No 1 of 2000 remains in force
No 10 of 2001 remains in force
Nos 3, 5 and 8 of 2002 remain in force
Nos 12 and 14 of 2003 remain in force
Nos 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of 2004 remain in force

(Signed M Magee)

Mike Magee
Marine Manager

Documents attached:

In order to prevent delays the following form must be fully and correctly completed:

Ships Agent Pre-Arrival Information Pro-forma – emailable

Ships Agent Pre-Arrival Information Pro-forma – printable

List of Non-SOLAS Signatory's

Forth Ports plc – Ships Agent Pre-Arrival Information Pro-forma

Name of Port/Facility on Forth /Tay:			
A	Name of Ship		
B	IMO Number		
C	Registered Flag State		
D	Maximum Arrival Draft		
E	Summer Deadweight		
F	ETA at Port Limit		
G	Any Defects which might affect vessel's manoeuvrability or ability to navigate?	NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/>	
H	Confirm both anchors will be cleared and available for immediate use at all times	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
I	Confirm vessel has a passage plan from Port Limit to Port/Facility on Forth/Tay	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
J	Date of Ship's Last Visit to UK		
K	Dangerous Goods Carried (over 10kg and UN Class No. (see attached table)		
1	Does the ship have a valid International Ship Security Certificate (ISSC)?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO – if not, please detail why? Does it have an approved SSP?
2	What Security Level is the ship operating at?	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/>
3	What were the last 10 ports of call and what was the Security Levels of the ship during those ship/port interfaces? (Please note this applies only to ports visited after ISPS Code implementation deadline of 1 July 2004)	Name of Port	Security Level
		1	SL =
		2	SL =
		3	SL =
		4	SL =
		5	SL =
		6	SL =
		7	SL =
		8	SL =
		9	SL =
		10	SL =
4	Have any special security arrangements been taken by the ship during ship/port interface at the last 10 ports of call?	YES – Please detail <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
5	Have appropriate procedures been followed during any ship/ship activity during the last 10 ports of call, for example have these interactions been governed by the security requirements in the SSP?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO – Please Detail
6	Any other practical security related information, for example have you witnessed any suspicious activity during the voyage?	YES – Please detail	NO <input type="checkbox"/>

Name of Shipping Agent (Block capitals): _____

Date of Completion: _____

RESTRICTED

LIST OF DANGEROUS GOODS

The following list refers to United Nations classifications

Class 1, Division 1.1	Explosives
Class 1, Division 1.2	Explosives
Class 1, Division 1.3	Compatibility group C explosives
Class 1, Division 1.5	Explosives
Class 2.1	Flammable gases in bulk
Class 2.3	Toxic gases (excluding aerosols)
Class 3	Flammable liquids in bulk of packing groups 1 and 11
Class 3 and Class 4.1	Desensitised explosives
Class 4.2	Goods of packing group 1 in bulk
Class 4.3	Goods of packing group 1 in bulk
Class 5.1	Oxidising liquids in bulk of packing group 1
Class 5.1	Perchlorates, ammonium nitrate and ammonium nitrate fertilisers, in bulk
Class 6.1	Toxic substances of packing group 1
Class 6.2	Infectious substances of Category A
Class 7	Radioactive material in quantities greater than 3000 A ₁ (special form) or 3000 A ₂ , as applicable, in Type B or Type C packages
Class 8	Corrosive substances of packing group 1 in bulk

Forth Ports plc -- **List of Non-SOLAS Signatories**

Afghanistan
Albania
Andorra
Armenia
Bhutan
Bosnia and Herzegovina
Botswana
Burkina Faso
Burundi
Central African Republic
Chad
Cook Islands
Costa Rica
Dem. Rep. Of the Congo
El Salvador
Grenada
Guinea-Bissau
Holy See
Kiribati
Kyrgyzstan
Laos
Lesotho
Liechtenstein
Mali
Micronesia
Moldova
Nauru
Nepal
Nicaragua
Niger
Palau
Paraguay
Rwanda
St Kitts and Nevis
Saint Lucia
San Marino
Soloman Islands
Somalia
Swaziland
Tajikistan
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
Turkmenistan
Uganda
Uzbekistan
Zambia
Zimbabwe
Macao, China
Faroe Islands