

Port of Tilbury (London) Ltd.

Marine Notice to Port Users – No. 08 of 2012

Persons Boarding / Leaving Ships in the Lock; Conformance with safety precautions.

River, Sea and Dock Pilots. Owners, Agents and Operators Representatives. Crew members. Bona Fide Guests and Visitors authorised by ship's Master. For Port Engineering Staff & Contractors

Following recent audit of this Port's 'Safety Management System', the auditor observed and has noted a Pilot leaving a vessel in the Tilbury entrance lock who was not wearing a safety helmet. This is contrary to this Port's site safety policy and warning signs.

Masters, Pilots, Owners, Agents, Visitors and authorised Contractors are reminded that as with other work areas within the Port, access to the lock quayside area and associated jetties is restricted.

For access only, appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) must be worn. This consists of:-

- High Visibility Garments
- Safety Helmets

Where work on quayside is undertaken beyond red safety line, lifejackets are also to be worn, in addition to other PPE appropriate to the job in hand.

You are further reminded that the Lock is within a TRANSEC Secure area of the Port. ISPS passes must be available for inspection and all persons on entering this site must report to the Duty Officer at the Lock-side Office.

For Port Engineering Staff & Contractors

All Port Engineering Staff and Contractors working within the lock area and associated jetties must sign in, and sign out when finished for the day. **Visitors**

The norm for visitors to board in the lock is during office hours only, however, visits outside those times if expedient to the ships operation may be allowed. Telephone arrangements must be made during the preceding office hours at the latest. A time of arrival at the site must be agreed so that you will be met on arrival at the Lock-side Office.

For visitors seeking to board in the lock, permission to proceed to the quayside must be obtained from the Duty Officer. On his decision you may proceed, or be escorted to the vessel. Safe access to the vessel will be a governing factor in his decision. If safe access regulations cannot be satisfied, access will be denied.

When carrying baggage, ship's papers etc. visitors must have a free hand to assist themselves; help may be requested from the Duty Officer.

SAFETY FIRST

Captain Geoffrey Holland Harbour Master. Port of Tilbury (London) Ltd

It should be noted that all Telephone calls, VHF R/T traffic and CCTV images are recorded at the Marine Office, Lock side. RM18 7EH