

FORTH PORTS LIMITED

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PERMANENT NOTICE TO MARINERS FIRTH OF FORTH

USE OF MOBILE PHONES

References:

MGN 299 (M + F)

Marine Accident Investigation Branch (MAIB) Reports

Confidential Human Factors Incident Reporting Programme (CHIRP) Reports

The above references draw attention to the fact that the use of mobile phones can be a cause of distraction to those navigating or in control of any waterborne craft.

Masters, Officers of the Watch, Pilots, Skippers, Coxswains etc, are reminded that mobile phones, which could cause a distraction, should not be used when navigating, manoeuvring or controlling any boat, commercial craft, harbour craft, hovercraft, pleasure craft, speed boat or vessel on the Forth.

As far as possible, mobile phones should be switched off and only used when it is safe to do so.

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Chief Harbour Master