

FORTH PORTS LIMITED

NtM No 24 of 2024

20th March 2024

NOTICE TO MARINERS

FIRTH OF FORTH

Large Vessel Movement

Mariners are advised that a large vessel is due to transit the Firth of Forth to Port Babcock (Rosyth).

The vessel will transit the estuary on or around 21st March and anchor west of the bridges for a period of approximately 48 hours.

Subject to a suitable weather and tidal window, the vessel will then transit from the anchorage to Port Babcock's non-tidal basin assisted by multiple tugs.

The vessel will be escorted by police and military craft, which will maintain an **exclusion zone of 200m** around the vessel during transit and while at anchor. The exclusion zone applies to all vessels not involved in the operation.

Police and military craft will display three vertical green lights during hours of darkness.

Traffic restrictions will be in place and managed by Forth & Tay Navigation who can be contacted on VHF Ch71.

Status of previously published notices:

No 73 of 2021 remains in force

Nos 08, 09, 22 and 89 of 2023 remain in force

Nos 01, 11, 13, 17, 21 and 23 of 2024 remain in force

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