

## **NOTICE TO AGENTS, BERTH AND SHIP OPERATORS No.1 of 2018**

### **NABSOs REMAINING IN FORCE AT 1<sup>st</sup> JANUARY 2018**

#### **2017**

2. Provision Of Accurate Vessel Notification Information
4. On Duty Time for Tugs Prior to Arrival and Departure
5. Pilot Transfer Arrangements and Means of Access
6. Local Navigation Certificates
7. Vessel Booking Information
8. Pilotage Directions and Associated PEC Regulations 2017 - Tug Endorsements and Nominated Berths
9. Ultra Large Container Ship - Windage Area
- 10.VOPAK No.1 Berth - Temporary Restrictions On Berthing and Departure

#### **2016**

3. Confirmation of Stability
5. Tug Assessment Validity

#### **2015**

4. Ebb Tide Docking and Undocking at Tilbury Lock
5. Gravesend Reach/Northfleet Hope - Tilbury Precautionary Area
9. Definitive Berths List
10. Thames Estuary, General Direction 13(3), Navigational Safety Requirements, Compliance Reporting

#### **2014**

4. Vessels Carrying Dangerous or Polluting Goods in Bulk
5. Pilots - Requirement for Safe Access to Vessels

**Note:** All other Notices to Agents, Berth and Ship Operators issued prior to this date are self-cancelling or sufficiently promulgated.

**Copies of all other current Guidance and Regulation publications may also be viewed and/or downloaded from the PLA's website at 'www.pla.co.uk', under 'Safety'/ 'Regulations & Guidance'.**

Attention is drawn to the Port of London Authority Handbook of Tide Tables for 2018 and the Hourly Tide Tables for 2018 for Walton-on-the-Naze, Margate, Southend, Coryton, Tilbury, North Woolwich and London Bridge. Copies of these tables can also be obtained from Sam Broome at the address below.

All times of tidal and astronomical predictions are in Greenwich Mean Time and will need to be adjusted, by the addition of one hour, from 01:00 25<sup>th</sup> March 2018 to 02:00 28<sup>th</sup> October 2018 whilst British Summer Time is in force.

The PLA's regulatory framework in support of the Navigational SMS currently consists of the following publications:

Port of London Act 1968 (as amended)  
General Directions for Navigation in the Port of London  
Port of London Pilotage Directions  
Thames Byelaws  
Vessel Licensing Byelaws  
Dangerous Substances in Bulk Byelaws  
Permanent Notices to Mariners  
Notices to Mariners (as promulgated)  
Notices to Agents, Berth and Ship Operators (as promulgated)  
Safety Bulletins (as promulgated)  
Code of Practice for Ship Towing Operations on the Thames  
Code of Practice for the Safe Mooring of Vessels on the Thames  
Code of Practice for Craft Towing on the Thames  
Code of Practice for Passenger Vessel Operations on the Thames  
Code of Practice for the Management and Operation of Commercial Vessels on the Thames  
Tidal Thames Recreational Users Guide  
Rowing on the Tideway – A Code of Practice for Rowing on the Tidal Thames above Putney  
Code of Practice for Paddling on the Tidal Thames  
Guidance to Berth Operators  
Mariners Guide to Bridges on the Tidal Thames

Some of the above documents are published in hard copy and can be obtained for a nominal charge, from the Navigational Safety System Coordinator. Alternatively, they are free to download from the PLA's website.

Information about the Navigational SMS can be found on the PLA's website at [www.pla.co.uk](http://www.pla.co.uk). Questions and requests for additional information can be made via the Navigational Safety Systems Coordinator by email [SafetyManagement@pla.co.uk](mailto:SafetyManagement@pla.co.uk).

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