

NOTICE TO MARINERS No. 5 of 2011

**CODE OF PRACTICE FOR SHIP
TOWAGE OPERATIONS ON THE
THAMES 2010**

AMENDMENT NOTICE

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO THAT PROVIDED IN
PART D – NORTHFLEET HOPE CONTAINER TERMINAL TUG
ALLOCATION TABLES**

Additional information has been identified for the above publication. This information (provided overleaf) was previously published as Notices to Agents, Berths and Ship Operators 11 of 2009.

Please ensure you insert the amendment to your copy of Code of Practice for Ship Towage Operations on the Thames 2010 accordingly.

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The following tables provide for variations in the towage requirement dependant on situation and wind conditions. Any variation must be agreed with the Duty port Controller

Augmentation of Towage requirement due to wind conditions.

	Wind Direction							
	Between		Between		Between		Between	
	118	208	298	028	208	298	028	118
Less than 25 kts	Tug Norms Apply				Tug Norms Apply			
Less than 35kts	Tug Norms Apply				Tug Norms Apply			
Gusts over 25 kts	Tug Norms Apply				Tug Norms + 1			
Gusts over 35kts.	Tug Norms + 1				Abort Manoeuvre			
Gusts over 40 ts.	Abort Manoeuvre				Abort Manoeuvre			

Reduction in towage requirement for vessels sailing

The tug requirement can be reduced by one providing the following is satisfied:

Vessel LOA less than 225m

Windspeed less than 15 knots

Operational bow thruster of 1475hp/1100kW or more

Draught less than 10 metres

Vessel must be berthed head down.

If unberthing on the ebb tide from the upper berth, the lower berth must be clear.

Additional towage requirements for stern-to-tide berthing

An additional tug will be required under the following circumstances:

1. Vessel berthing stern to tide on the upper berth, and
2. Vessel LOA greater than 225 metres, or
3. Vessel draught greater than 10 metres.