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NOTICE TO AGENTS, SHIP AND BERTH OPERATORS

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Hot Work on Vessels and Vessel Immobilisation

It is advisable to pre plan hot works and vessel immobilisation with Medway VTS and the berth operator prior to vessel arrival. Failure to pre plan may result in delays, especially when out of office hours.

When Hot Work onboard a vessel or Immobilisation of a vessel is required, the following operating procedure shall be complied with -

1. Any vessel within the Peel Ports Medway's area of jurisdiction that is required to undertake any 'Hot Work' must inform and seek permission from Medway VTS, prior to commencing such operations.
2. Any vessel within the Peel Ports Medway's area of jurisdiction that is required to undertake 'Immobilise of Machinery' must inform and seek permission from Medway VTS, prior to commencing such operations.
3. The vessel must provide an email request to Medway VTS specifying -
 - Description of the work required, including an estimate of the time of completion
 - Copy of the vessels onboard Hot Work or Immobilisation permit (ISM)
 - Confirmation that the vessel complies with the requirements of the berth owner or operator and has their permission to carry out the planned operations.
 - Notification when the operation is complete and the vessel's status has returned to normal.
4. All documents should be emailed to Medway VTS via medwayinfo@peelports.com
5. Definitions
 - **Vessel** - in this context means any seagoing vessel that carries cargo or passengers for commercial purposes.
 - **Hot Work** - in this context means any form of Burning, Welding, Heating or similar procedure whether by electric, gas or open flame.
 - **Immobilisation of Machinery** - in this context means the removal from immediate use of any machinery or system that inhibits or affects the ability of the vessel to manoeuvre.

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