

NOTICE TO MARINERS

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PORT OF LIVERPOOL

SAFE SPEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, following a recent incident, the attention of Mariners is directed to the content of Port of Liverpool General Direction No.31 (Safe Speed), viz:

A vessel shall not be navigated or manoeuvred in any part of the Port of Liverpool including the enclosed docks, River Mersey, or in any of the sea channels or approaches to the River from the furthest point seaward to which such sea channels or approaches are or may be buoyed, at speeds which will or are likely to:

- (1) endanger life;*
- (2) force open the gates or caissons of any works or property;*
- (3) cause damage to any such gates or caissons, or to any walls, revetments, training banks, or other works or property (including vessels) of MDHC;*
- (4) cause damage to the banks of the River Mersey or sea channels or approaches as aforesaid; or*
- (5) cause damage to vessels lying alongside any quay, jetty or stage or to the moorings of such vessels.*

In particular, consideration should be given to subsection (5) and Pilot Launches whilst (a) berthed at the northern end of the City of Liverpool Cruise Terminal, or (b) embarking/disembarking personnel at Woodside Landing Stage.

Failure by the Master of a vessel to comply with this Direction constitutes an offence, and may render that person liable, on conviction, to a fine.