



NOTICE TO MARINERS

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DIVING OPERATIONS WITHIN CLYDEPORT WATERS

All Commercial Diving Operations carried out within the port must be notified to Clydeport.

These activities are covered under the “Diving at Work Regulations 1997” Approved Code of Practice for Commercial Diving Projects Inland/Inshore.

Under Regulation 8 of the 1997 regulations, the Diving Contractor is responsible for ensuring that a risk assessment is carried out and a diving project plan is prepared. The risk assessments must identify and address site specific hazards and their risks. During this process the Diving Contractor will determine the appropriate diving methods and equipment to be used. Clydeport requires in all cases there is agreed communications plan so that either party can be quickly informed, for example in the event of a change to shipping schedules.

Diving Contractor is required to consult with Clydeport when planning a dive project. Clydeport requires a permit to work system is in place for diving projects. The Contractor will require the permission of the Berth Owner and/or Terminal Manager before any diving commences on site.

In event the diving activity will be undertaken off-site then Clydeport consent must be obtained. Clydeport Marine will advise on any procedures or arrangements that must be complied including requirement for issue of a Notice to Mariners.

This guidance does not apply to recreational diving unless there is an instructor who is paid to teach students or a qualified diver who is paid to guide a dive party.