

## Group Marine VTS / LPS Policy

It is Peel Ports Group Policy that all Statutory Harbour Authority's within the Group shall:

- Operate a 24-hour vessel traffic management / information system in accordance with its published Navigational Safety Policy;
- Provide a service commensurate to the level of risk;
- Maintain VHF communication with all vessels required to do so by direction within its area of responsibility;
- Seek to ensure the traffic management / information systems operational availability;
- Review regularly the performance of the system and seek improvements through technical enhancement, staff development, training and effective management as necessary;
- Where VTS is assessed as appropriate maintain standards for training and certification of personnel in line with IALA recommendation V-103;
- Formally authorise those personnel qualifying to the required IALA standard;
- Record, where provided or available all relevant radar video, VHF and telephone communications as an aid to enforcement and incident reconstruction and investigation;
- Maintain comprehensive details and records of commercial vessel movements in the vessel management system database.

This Policy will be reviewed again within the next 3 years.

Signed 

Date 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021

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