

NOTICE TO MARINERS

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HARBOUR AND PORT OF MANCHESTER

TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF RUNCORN LAYBYE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that to enable berth survey work, Runcorn Laybye will be closed to vessels during the following period:

08.30 to 18.30 on 30 October 2020



The survey will be undertaken by an unmanned surface vehicle (USV), controlled from the Canal bank, measuring 1.7 m x 0.8 m and, during this period, vessels must pass Runcorn Laybye at dead-slow speed through the water to minimise the effects of wash and interaction.

The operator of the USV will be in contact with Eastham Port Control. However, vessels intending to pass Runcorn Laybye during the survey period must make the following sound signals to warn the USV operator of their approach:

Inward-bound

Passing Delamache Dock Entrance: One prolonged blast

Outward-bound

Passing Runcorn Docks Entrance: One prolonged and one short blasts

Unless notice is given to the contrary, this Notice will remain in force until 18.30 on 30 October 2020.