



STANDING NOTICE TO MARINERS No 08 DIVING

All Commercial Diving Operations carried out within the port must be notified to Ardrossan Harbour Company (AHC).

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 Clyde Marine Managers (on behalf of AHC) when planning a dive project. AHC requires a permit to work system is in place for diving projects:

Permit/Permission

If diving on an allocated Caledonian MacBrayne (Calmac) berth or vessel, Calmac should issue the Dive Permit, and in addition, Clyde Marine Managers will issue a Dive Permission on behalf of AHC.

Diving within the Marina basin; Clyde Marina should issue the Dive Permit and Clyde Marine Managers will issue a Dive Permission on behalf of AHC.

For other berths, and areas within AHC port limits, Clyde Marine Managers will issue the Dive Permit and Dive Permission on behalf of AHC.

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.

There may be a requirement to issue a Notice to Mariners. Clyde Marine Managers decision is final.

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.

The following documents are available to download from <https://www.peelports.com/marine-information?port=clydeport>

- Clydeport Dive Policy
- Clydeport Dive Permission
- Clydeport Dive Permit