

NOTICE TO MARINERS

No.12 – 2018 PORT OF LIVERPOOL

MOORINGS AT LOCKS AND BERTHS

AGENTS, OWNERS, MASTERS AND PERSONS IN CHARGE of vessels navigating within the Port are reminded of the following in respect of mooring lines and safe mooring procedures at locks and berths:

- All mooring lines and equipment must be fit for purpose.
- All heaving lines must be fit for purpose, of sufficient length and of no less than 10mm diameter.
- The monkey's fist on a heaving line must not have a metallic or weighted core.
- Heaving lines must be tied securely to the mooring line.
- Prior to throwing a heaving line, the vessel's mooring party should alert the shore-side mooring gang, and anyone else in the vicinity, that a line is about to be thrown.
- The shore-side mooring gang may request that only one mooring line is run on a single heaving line if the mooring line is large and/or requires hauling a distance from the vessel to the bollard.
- When paying out mooring lines from the vessel, care should be taken to avoid excessive weight for the shore-side mooring gang by keeping the bight under control. Care should also be taken not to foul the vessel's or assisting tugs' propellers, particularly when too much slack line is deployed.
- **Vessels are NOT to tighten-up moorings until the shore-side mooring gang is clear of the bollard and have indicated as such.**
- Berth Operators may apply additional controls, as they see fit.

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