

NOTICE TO MARINERS

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HEYSHAM HARBOUR

CONSULTATION – NAVIGATION GUIDELINES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, following concerns raised by the ferry operators regarding vessels passing close to buoy No. 8, Heysham Port Limited proposes to amend Navigation Guideline No. 5 “Clear Harbour Entrance” as follows:

Original

Vessels arriving and departing shall not ordinarily pass each other between the North and South Piers and No.8 buoy. This manoeuvre may only be undertaken with the agreement of the Masters, Pilots or Pilotage Exemption Certificate Holders of both vessels, and Heysham Port Control must be informed of their agreement.

Proposed Amendment

Vessels arriving at or departing from the Harbour must not ordinarily pass each other between the North and South Piers and buoy No. 6. Vessels may pass in this area only with the joint agreement of the Masters, Pilots, or Pilotage Exemption Certificate Holders of the vessels involved. Heysham Port Control must be informed of that agreement.

Comments regarding this proposed amendment must be sent to merseymarinemanagers@peelports.com not later than 16.00 on 9 October 2026.

Furthermore, with effect from 28 September 2026, at least 45 minutes must separate the scheduled time a ferry is to depart from its berth and the scheduled time the next ferry is to come alongside a berth. (Any time allowed for mooring must be excluded when calculating that interval). The cargo operations team at Heysham will formulate the weekly arrival and departure schedules with the ferry operators based on this requirement.