

## STANDING NOTICE TO MARINERS No 09 DIVING

## References:

- A. Diving at Work Regulations 1997 Approved Code of Practice and Guidance Commercial Diving Projects offshore.
- B. Diving at Works Regulations 1997 Approved Code of Practice for Commercial Diving Projects Inland/Inshore.
- C. Diving at Work Regulations 1997 Approved Code of Practice and Guidance for Scientific and Archaeological diving Projects.
- D. Diving at Work Regulations 1997 Approved Code of Practice and Guidance for Media Diving Projects.
- E. Diving at Work Regulations 1997 Approved Code of Practice and Guidance for Recreational Diving Projects.

All Commercial Diving Operations carried out within the Port must be notified to Clydeport. Under HSE Regulations, these fall into the following types:

- Offshore Diving in support of the offshore oil and gas industries
- Inland/Inshore Diving eg in support of civil engineering or marine-related projects and fish farming
- Scientific and Archaeological Diving in support of scientific research and education and archaeological investigations of sites and historic interest.
- Media Diving in support of film or TV productions which require divers to work as stunt performers, journalists, presenters, photographers, camera operators, sound and lighting technicians and unit crews
- Recreational Diving involving the instruction and guiding of recreational divers.
- Police and Armed Forces divers that are specialists.

The majority of Commercial Diving that takes place within the Harbour of Clydeport comes under Reference B, although Recreations Diving Projects for commercial gain under Reference E also applies. Any Diving Contractor is responsible for ensuring that a Risk Assessment and Dive Project Plan is prepared. These Risk Assessments must identify and address site specific hazards and their risks. During this process the Diving Contractor will determine the appropriate diving method(s) and equipment to be used. Clydeport requires in all cases that there is an agreed communications plan, so the either party can be quickly informed of an emergency, or change in circumstance (ie shipping movement).

The Diving Contractor is required to consult with Clydeport Marine Department when planning a dive project. Clydeport requires a permit to work system is in place for all diving projects. The Diving Contractor will require the Permission/Permit of the Berth Owner/Terminal/vessel <u>and</u> Harbour Authority 'Permission' before any diving commences on site.

Depending on the activity of the Diving Project, the Harbour Authority may wish to notify all Mariners within Clydeport of the Dive Project by issuing a Notice to Mariners, chargeable to the Diving Contractor in accordance with Clydeport's Schedule of Charges.

Any Recreational Dive organised by a Club, or commercial Diving School, or Recreational Dive Business, will be required to follow the Approved Code of Practice and Guidance at Reference E. In any event,

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the Harbour Authority's Dive Permission must be obtained in advance, of which a charge is levied in accordance with Clydeport's Schedule of Charges.

The following documents are available to download from the Peel Ports Clydeport website:

## https://www.peelports.com/marine/our-ports/clydeport

Under 'Service Information':
Clydeport's Dive Policy and Procedure can be viewed and downloaded.
Under 'Licences & Forms':
Clydeport's 'Permission to Dive' form,
and when diving on Clydeport's property,
'Permit to Dive' form can be viewed and downloaded.

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