

**STORNOWAY PORT AUTHORITY
PILOTAGE DIRECTIONS - 2018**

1 COMMENCEMENT

These Pilotage Directions shall come into force on 01 January 2019 on which date all previous Pilotage Directions are revoked.

2 SHORT TITLE

These Pilotage Directions may be cited as the Stornoway Port Authority Pilotage Directions 2018 and are made by the Stornoway Port Authority, a competent harbour authority within the meaning of the Pilotage Act 1987, in exercise of its powers under Section 7 of that Act.

3 DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS

In these Directions, the following words have the following meanings:

- (a) "dangerous goods" means those goods as defined at Regulation 3 and exceeding the quantities listed at Schedule 1 of the Dangerous Goods in Harbour Areas Regulations 2016.
- (b) "in bulk" means any cargo which is loaded directly into the cargo spaces of a ship without any intermediate form of containment.
- (c) "towing" means a tug or other vessel towing or pushing another vessel or object or vessels or objects astern, alongside or ahead.
- (d) "harbour" means all the waters that lie within the Statutory Harbour Limits specified in the Stornoway Harbour Acts & Orders 1976 to 2008, as the same may be restated or amended from time to time.

4 APPLICATION

These Pilotage Directions shall not apply to vessels of less than 20 metres in length overall or to fishing vessels of less than 47.5 metres length overall.

5 COMPULSORY PILOTAGE

Pilotage shall be compulsory for the following vessels navigating anywhere within the harbour north of the line of latitude of 58° 11.50'N, including the area marked as Glumaig Harbour on Admiralty Chart 2529:

- (a) Vessels of 60 metres or more length overall without an operational bow thruster unit;
- (b) Vessels of 75 metres or more length overall;
- (c) Vessels carrying on board dangerous goods in bulk;
- (d) A vessel towing another vessel or object or combination of both where the overall length of all vessels and/or objects and the tow line between them exceeds the respective lengths set out in paragraph 4 above;

- (e) Any vessel which in the opinion of the Harbourmaster is restricted or hampered in any way from its normal mode of operation so as to present a potential hazard to the safety of navigation within the Harbour;
- (f) Any vessel over 30 metres length overall carrying 12 or more passengers.

