



1. COMMENCEMENT

These Pilotage Directions shall come into force on 01 February 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 2019 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:

- (a) Vessels of less than 20 metres in length overall or to fishing vessels of less than 47.5 metres length overall; or
- (b) UK warships and other vessels in the long-term service of the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, the Northern Lighthouse Board, Marine Scotland and UK Border Force vessels engaged in performing their statutory duties or other operations in support of these statutory duties.

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.

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