KING'S HARBOUR MASTER PLYMOUTH

LNTM No 003/22

PLNTM 003 Dockyard Port of Plymouth Order 2020 Information

PLYMOUTH LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS 003/22

DOCKYARD PORT OF PLYMOUTH ORDER 2020 -

INFORMATION

1. This notice is issued for information by the Queen's Harbour Master Plymouth, pursuant to the Dockyard Ports Regulation Act 1865 and the Dockyard Port of Plymouth Order 2020.

2. The Dockyard Port of Plymouth Order 1999 has been superseded by the Dockyard Port of Plymouth Order 2020 (DPoP 2020), a statutory instrument which came into force on 10 December 2020. A copy of the DPoP 2020 can be found at the QHM Plymouth website: Dockyard Port of Plymouth Port Order 2020

3. The Port Order has been amended to reflect changes in operating procedures, types of vessels, infrastructure and security postures. The revision will enable the introduction of more flexible controls to ensure the continued safety of all port users and efficient movement of vessels.

Key features include (but are not limited to):

- The extension of vessel reporting requirements to all vessels over 20m vice 25m.
- The incorporation of the requirement for adequate levels of bridge manning in vessels over 20m (as previously detailed in Plymouth Notice to Mariners 17/20).
- Removal of the rules associated with the Port Control traffic signals. As an alternative, the establishment of a moving exclusion zone (moving haven) around designated vessels has been introduced.
- The Incorporation of Plymouth Local Notice to Mariners 16/20 to clearly define responsibilities between small craft and the Torpoint ferries.
- Renaming the skiing areas as high-speed areas.

- Removal of special sound signals which are no longer used, placing greater emphasis on the use of manoeuvring signals as detailed in the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea.

- Extension of the requirement to maintain a watch on VHF Ch14 to all vessels engaged in commercial activity, diving operations or over 20m in length.

- Detailed directions concerning the application of the moving exclusion zone are contained in PLNTM 4/22.

1st January 2022

Saturday 01 Jan 2022