

## No. 9 (2021)

# DUN LAOGHAIRE HARBOUR NOTICE TO MARINERS

## **PASSENGER SHIP TENDERING OPERATIONS**

Dun Laoghaire Harbour  
Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council  
Dun Laoghaire  
Co Dublin

Date: 01 January 2021

This Notice to Mariners is intended to provide for the regulation of all ship-carried tenders used for transferring passengers from cruise ships anchored in Dublin Bay into Dun Laoghaire Harbour and should be read in conjunction with Dublin Port Notice to Mariners No 23 of 2021 (Passenger Ship Tendering Procedures)

Attention must also be given to the Dublin Port Company Notice to Mariners No 2 of 2021 (Standard Operating Procedures)

### **Anchorage**

Passenger ships intending to tender into Dun Laoghaire Harbour should normally anchor within the recommended Dublin Bay anchorage area. Please note that the water that lies between the charted anchorage area and Dun Laoghaire Harbour is used by leisure sailing and yacht racing. This area contains numerous statutorily sanctioned sail racing marker buoys. The position of the buoys can be found listed in the Dublin Port Company, Notice to Mariners No 20 of 2021

If a visiting ship wishes to make a request to the Dublin Harbour Master to anchor closer to Dun Laoghaire consideration has to be made of the depth of water at and on approach to another anchorage and that the swing distance at that anchorage is well clear of the yacht racing buoys referred to above.

If a request is to be made for an alternative anchorage, then the Ship's Master should exercise due diligence in reference to the safety of his ship to include the navigation (including the depth) to the anchorage, the closeness to the shore and the prevailing winds at the anchorage on the day.

**Suggested alternate anchorage:**

Position:-

53° 18.66'N

06° 06.68'W

027° x 0.68 miles NNE of the East Pier Lighthouse

Depth: 9 metres above CD

Distance from harbour mouth: 0.72 nautical miles

Bearing to harbour mouth: 240°.

**Preparation**

Special attention should be given to Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport Notice 19 of 2014 and a copy of the Safety Proposal Plan required by that notice must be provided to Dun Laoghaire Harbour prior to the commencement of any operations

This Safety Proposal Plan must also contain a Risk Assessment and Standard Operating Procedure specific to tendering operations from the proposed anchorage position into Dun Laoghaire Harbour

If a ship wishes to anchor at a position outside the recommended anchorage area and closer in to the entrance of Dun Laoghaire, a written request must first be submitted to the Dublin Port Harbour Master. This to include the aforementioned Risk Assessment and Standard Operating Procedure and a Communications Plan

**Operation restrictions**

There is a speed limit of 8 knots within the harbour

All Tenders should stand well clear of any large commercial vessels arriving in to, or departing from, Dun Laoghaire

All Tenders should be aware that many pleasure boats operate in and out of Dun Laoghaire Harbour and they should navigate with caution at all times and the pleasure boats are requested to not obstruct these tenders whilst within Dun Laoghaire Harbour Limits  
Dun Laoghaire Harbour Notices to Mariners No 3 of 2021 (Fairway Priorities) and No 5 of 2021 (Small Craft – Various Regulations and Restrictions) refer

**Communication Plan**

The following should be noted in the Communication plan:

The ship is required to maintain a listening watch on VHF Ch 12 and its tenders are required to maintain a listening watch on VHF Channel 14

RIBs (displaying a yellow flag) will be provided to guide and escort each tender to and from the tender berth these Escort Craft will keep a listening watch on VHF Ch 14

In conditions of reduced visibility a Dun Laoghaire Harbour Monitoring Craft may be stationed between the anchored ship and the mouth of Dun Laoghaire Harbour to monitor all tender movements and will liaise with Dublin VTS on VHF Ch12

**Tender berth**

The tender berth is located at the south east end of No 2 berth, Carlisle Pier, on the eastern side of the harbour

53 17'.67 N

06 07'84 W

Masters, Owners, Agents, Charterers, Marinas, Yacht Clubs and Recreational Boaters should ensure that the contents of this Notice are made known to the Persons in Charge of their vessels or craft.

All Notice to Mariners can be found on the Dun Laoghaire Harbour website:

[www.dlharbour.ie/harbour-information/notice-to-mariners/](http://www.dlharbour.ie/harbour-information/notice-to-mariners/)

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