



NOTICE TO MARINERS

The following Notice to Mariners is published for General Information

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SUBJECT: RAK PORTS MARINE DOCUMENTS AND INFORMATION

Mariners, ship owners, operators, agents, stakeholders and other interested parties are informed that marine documents with respect to pilotage, towage, navigational safety and marine operations within RAK Ports have been posted on our website under following “Marine” sections (Legislation, Marine Information, and Marine Forms):

Please visit: <http://www.rakports.ae/marine.php>

Legislation

Pilotage Directions: This document designates compulsory pilotage and exemption to compulsory pilotage for certain vessels within RAK Ports.

PEC Regulations: This document sets forth the proviso of granting Pilotage Exemption Certificate to a bona fide master or first mate that enable them to pilot their vessel without a RAK Ports pilot.

Marine Information

Pilotage Service: This document provides necessary information with regard to pilot boarding/landing arrangements, communications etc.

Towage Guidelines: This document sets out the requirement for towage operations within RAK Ports.

Towage Procedure: This document provides a source of information on RAK Ports tugs, towage service and procedure.

Marine Forms

Non-Routine / Dead-ship Towage Application Form: This form has been introduced to allow forward planning of dead-ship tow and the responsible in-charge on board the dead-ship.

These documents are intended to bring about a regulated approach to the marine operations in line with industry best practice. They provide relevant information to vessel masters, first mates, vessel crews, pilots, tug masters, vessel owners, vessel operators, stakeholders and other interested parties, in the pursuit of enhancing safety of their vessel within RAK Ports limits. These documents should be used in conjunction with other relevant port rules and procedures, and IMO guidelines to make effective, risk-based decisions on each vessel movements and operations.

Mariners and all concerned parties are advised to contact RAK Ports by email at: info@rakports.ae should they have any information relating to navigational safety. Urgent and immediate information relating to the Harbour should be passed via relevant Port Control VHF radio channels or telephone.

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