

NOTICE TO MARINERS

No 17 of 2017

Port of Southampton – Security of Vessels Berthed Alongside

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in the prevailing security climate there will be an increased security presence surrounding vessels berthed in the Port of Southampton.

Amongst the various additional measures likely to be applied, there may be signage on the outboard side of berthed vessels advising all craft, and particularly recreational and leisure craft, to keep well clear of vessels' sides. Additionally, there may be increased security personnel presence on vessels and waterborne patrols within the port area and its approaches by small craft or RIBs.

Where possible, recreational and leisure craft are to avoid passing close outboard of any vessel berthed in the port and, if not possible, are at the very least to avoid pointing their bow directly towards any vessel.

Mariners navigating within the port area are requested to co-operate with security personnel onshore and afloat and shall remain at least 50 metres clear of all vessels and berths, and where possible are not to cause unnecessary concern by making close passes on vessels underway, alongside or vacant berths.

No person shall navigate a vessel or operate a personal watercraft closer than 130m from the face of the jetties at Fawley and Hamble, unless engaged in berthing or unberthing of vessels at those jetties. (Southampton Harbour Byelaws 2003)

.The instructions in this Notice to Mariners will be subject to regular review.

Notice to Mariners 22 of 2016 is hereby cancelled.

**Vessel Traffic Services Centre
Ocean Gate, Eastern Docks
Southampton**

**Captain M Phipps
Harbour Master**

19 June 2017

**Owners, Agents, Charterers, Marinas, Yacht Clubs and Recreational Sailing
Organisations should ensure that the contents of this Notice are made known to
the masters or persons in charge of their vessels or craft.**