

NOTICE TO MARINERS No 78 (T) of 2024
Port of Southampton

Seasonal Maintenance Dredging – October 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the trailing suction hopper dredger UKD BLUEFIN will be engaged in dredging operations in the main channels, swinging grounds and berths in the Rivers Itchen and Test, Port of Southampton, Southampton Water, Solent Gateway as well as the Thorn Channel for a period of approximately 29 days commencing on or around 8th October 2024.



Bed levelling will also be carried out by the bed levelling tender UKD SEALION in berths and channels as necessary in conjunction with the dredging program. This work will commence on 4th October 2024 for up to 40 days.

The vessels will also be performing dredging operations at BP Hamble terminal between 8th-14th November 2024.



The dredgers and tender will display lights and shapes as required by the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea and mariners are requested to reduce speed as safe navigation permits when passing them whilst engaged in underwater activities.

Weather allowing, these operations will be continuous throughout the stated period and mariners should expect to pass UKD BLUEFIN at any time between the upper reaches of Southampton Water and the Nab Disposal Ground.

The dredgers will maintain a listening watch on VHF Channel 12 throughout dredging operations and mariners may also request movement information from Southampton VTS on VHF Channel 12.

*This notice will be self-cancelling on completion of the dredging program.

Vessel Traffic Services Centre
Ocean Dock, Atlantic Way
Southampton

Steven Masters
Harbour Master

31st October 2024

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.