

NOTICE TO MARINERS No. 2 - 2024

SHIP AND PORT FACILITY SECURITY

In the interests of security, while operating within the port limits, mariners are advised of the following:

1. Regulation and Application

The Ship and Port Facility (Security) Regulations 2004 transpose the International Ship and Port Facility Security Code (ISPS Code) into UK legislation and applies to the following vessels when engaged on international voyages:

- a) Passenger ships, including high speed craft, which carry more than 12 passengers
- b) Cargo ships, including high speed craft, of 500 gross tonnage and upwards
- c) Mobile Offshore Drilling Units

2. Reporting Requirements

All vessels entering the Cromarty Firth port limits and affected by the regulations, should complete the UK standard ISPS arrival proforma and return it to the relevant Port Facility Security Officer (PFSO) for the facility being visited as well as Cromarty Firth Port Radio prior to port entry.

All other vessels and those claiming exemption, should complete a Declaration of Security (DOS) with the relevant PFSO.

3. Vessels Alongside

The Ship Security Officer (SSO) should implement the necessary security precautions required as per the ship security plan and should at all times liaise and interface with the facility PFSO.

4. Ships Taking Stores and Spare Parts

Vessels taking stores and spare parts are required to notify the facility PFSO prior to arrival of the goods at the quayside, to ensure any necessary actions and precautions can be implemented as per the facilities port facility security plan.

5. Failure to Comply

Failure to comply with the appropriate security standards will be in contravention of The Ship and Port Facility (Security) Regulations 2004 and may result in prosecution.

It should be noted that the Master remains responsible for the security of their vessel at all times.

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