

Notice to Mariners

No 4 of 2020

Port of Tyne – NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

Reporting Requirements

Notice is hereby given that the following instructions are issued in light of the outbreak of the novel-coronavirus and its implications on visiting vessels.

Under UK and International Health Regulations, vessels entering port are normally required to submit a Maritime Declaration of Health (MDH) only when there has been an occurrence on board that may affect public health.

Port of Tyne, in conjunction with Tyne Port Health Authority, advise that due to the ongoing situation with COVID-19, additional requirements to submit a Maritime Declaration of Health will now apply, effective from Monday 16th March 2020 at 0001, and until further notice is given.

Masters and Agents of ALL vessels must ensure that a Maritime Declaration of Health is completed and passed to the Tyne Port Health Authority and to Tyne VTS for vessels arriving to any berth / facility within Port of Tyne area of jurisdiction.

Masters are advised that all vessels arriving from non-UK ports will be asked by Tyne VTS by VHF radio to confirm that they have submitted their Maritime Declaration of Health prior to pilot boarding (if subject to compulsory pilotage), or prior to entering Port of Tyne jurisdiction (if not subject to compulsory pilotage). Failure to submit the form may result in cancelled pilotage or delays to the vessel's arrival and entry and reporting to the Port Health Authority.

All enquiries regarding the Maritime Declaration of Health should be directed to the Tyne Port Health Authority:

Environmental Health Public Protection Services Quadrant (East) Silverlink North Cobalt Business Park North Tyneside NE27 0BY	Tel: (0191) 643 6100 Out of hours: 07816 931413 Fax: 0191 643 2016 Email: tyne.port.health@northtyneside.gov.uk Website: https://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/category/550/tyne-port-health
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Steven Clapperton

Harbour Master

11th March 2020

The following Port of Tyne Authority Navigational Notices remain **in force**: NtM No 3 of 2018 and No 8, 12, 13, 14, & 16 of 2019 and No 1, 2, 3 and 4 of 2020 and Navigation Notice No 4 of 2020.

All other Notices are hereby cancelled. Copies of Notices are available from the Harbour Master, and are displayed on the Port of Tyne Authority website www.portoftyne.co.uk

Owners, Agents and Charterers should ensure that the contents of the Navigation Notice are made known to Masters and persons in charge of their vessels.