

Supplementary Information D: Places of Refuge in Clydeport Harbour Area

Places of Refuge (PoR) are location into which a ship is in need of assistance can be brought, so that its condition can be stabilised and consequential pollution damage to the seas and coasts be averted.

In the UK, the Marine Safety Act 2003 provides powers of interventions and direction to the SOSREP, working with the MCAs Counter Pollution Branch. SOSREP oversees all incident in UK waters where there is significant risk of pollution, and he or the MCA directs vessels to PoR where he judges it appropriate.

When a ship in need of assistance required a PoR, SOSREP will take account of all the factors which relate to the specific incident (e.g. weather) the location and type of threat posed by the vessel and its cargo, with a view to determining the most appropriate PoR minimising adverse consequences.

NAME OF PORT	Max		Navigational Access	Holding Ground	Booming Possibility	Shelter From	Access	Fisheries	Environmental	Amenity Beaches
	Draught	LOA								
Lower Firth Anchorage 1 - 7	A 30 m	B Any	C 1	D 1	E Yes	F Varies	G S / A	H 2-3	J 3/4/5	K 1/2/3
Loch Long										
Finnart (INEOS Terminal)										
Jetty (3)	23.30m	Any	2	N/A	Yes	2/3/7/8	S / RO	3	3/4/6	1/3
Jetty (2)	17.40m	127000dwt	2	N/A	Yes	2/3/7/8	S / RO	3	3/4/6	1/3
Greenock										
Ocean Terminal	1.7m	250m	2	N/A	No	NIL	S/RO	0	6	1/3
Hunterston	26m	350m	3	N/A	Yes	7	S/RO	2	1/2/3/4/6	1/2/3

PoR Legend

A.	Maximum draught (m)		
B.	Length in metres		
C.	Navigational Access	1	Straight Forward
		2	Good
		3	Fair
		4	Extreme Care Needed
D.	Holding Ground	1	Very Good
		2	Good
		3	Fair
		4	Poor
E.	Booming Possibility		Yes or No
F.	Shelter Provided from:	1	North
		2	North East
		3	East
		4	South East
		5	South
		6	South West
		7	West
		8	North West
G.	Access	S	Sea
		A	Air
		R	Rail
		RO	Road
H.	Fisheries	1	Nursery Grounds
		2	Fishing Grounds
		3	Shell Fish
J.	Environmental	1	SSSI
		2	RSPB Reserves
		3	Bird Breeding Grounds
		4	Feeding and Roosting Wildfowl
		5	NCC Reserves
		6	Marine Biological Interests
K.	Amenity Beaches	1	Holiday Resorts
		2	Important Amenity Areas
		3	Some Amenity Beaches