STANDING NOTICE TO MARINERS SNTM 07



NAVAL VESSELS AND THE CLYDE DOCKYARD PORT

Vessels Exercising Outwith Dockyard Port area

The Clyde Dockyard Port sits within the Clydeport SHA area with overlapping jurisdiction. Naval vessels may conduct exercises outwith the Dockyard Port area and within the Clydeport jurisdiction. Mariners should navigate with caution when naval vessels are operating in their vicinity.

It should also be noted that naval vessels must transit the Clydeport area to enter the Dockyard Port, There may also be occasions where naval vessels from other NATO countries may visit the Clyde for various reasons including to participate in large scale exercises.

<u>Surfaced Submarines – Towed Arrays</u>

Mariners are advised that surfaced submarines regularly transit the Clydeport area of jurisdiction and may have towed arrays.

All submarines moving within the area will report to Estuary Radio as being 'POSITIVE' or 'NEGATIVE' with respect to the deployment of TA equipment.

Mariners are advised to avoid passing within 1000 metres directly astern of submarines which are 'POSITIVE'. If in any doubt, assume the submarine is 'POSITIVE'.

Approaches to the River Clyde – Barons Point DG Range

Mariners are reminded of the presence of underwater cables running from Barons Point to the 25m no fishing/anchorage DG Range area.

Damage has previously been caused to the cables, by unknown and/or inappropriate activities.

All mariners including trawler and static gear fishermen are required to consult Admiralty Charts and to avoid underwater activities in the vicinity of the range and cables.

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