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AMENDMENT - 5

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To : All Pilots, All VTSO, Chief Marine Pilot, Marine Manager

From : Marine Director

Subject : **Piloting vessels within ADT Ports**

Mina Zayed is a compulsory piloting port and all vessels/crafts using Mina Zayed jetties are required to engage a pilot while berthing, sailing or shifting from one berth to another to ensure the safe and efficient management of the ports operated by Abu Dhabi Terminals. Vessels fall under the following categories are exempted from compulsory pilotage.

A) Exempted Vessels

- 1) Pleasure Crafts
- 2) Country Crafts (Dhows)
- 3) UAE Navy Vessels
- 4) Vessels less than 100 meter LOA
- 5) Vessels with Masters having Pilot Exemption Certificate (PEC)

B) Compulsory Pilotage

- 1) All Landing Crafts of any length must take a pilot for all berthing/un-berthing within Mina Zayed.
- 2) All vessels carrying hazardous goods in bulk and with 60 meter LOA and above must take a pilot.
- 3) All passenger vessels carrying more than 12 passengers and with 24 meter LOA and above must take a pilot.
- 4) Oil Rigs of any size berthing or un-berthing in Mina Zayed, Free Port & Municipality Harbour must take a Pilot.



- 5) Towing Combination less than 100 metre total length from bow of main tug to stern of the tow may berth/un-berth without a pilot at the request of master of towing tug and with the approval of MZ Harbour Master.
- 6) Towing Combination of 100 metres (from bow of main tug to stern of the tow) and above must take a pilot.
- 7) If any Exempted vessel requests the assistance of a pilot then this request must be complied with. Completing a Master's Report, Pilot Time Sheet and raising an invoice must be followed in the normal way. The use of a port tug in such cases is left to the discretion of the pilot who has the final decision.
- 8) If any Exempted vessel requests the assistance of a port tug then this request must not be obliged unless a pilot is also requested for the same operation. Master's Report, Pilot Time Sheet and invoicing must be followed in the normal way.

All marine pilots and VTS operators are required to fully observe and comply with the above procedures and no deviation is accepted.



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