

NOTICE TO MARINERS

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HARBOUR AND PORT OF MANCHESTER

PILOT LADDER CERTIFICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that for vessels arriving on or after 1 April 2025 and requiring the services of a pilot (either a Manchester pilot or a Liverpool pilot), the following information must be provided at the time that the initial inward booking for the vessel is made:

- For each operational pilot ladder on board the vessel
 - o a photograph of the manufacturer's plate attached to the ladder
 - a copy of the ladder's certificate (declaration of conformity)
- A copy of the vessel's pilot card

The pilot ladder certificate must confirm the following:

- Type approval in compliance with SOLAS V, Regulation 23
- Performance requirements in compliance with SOLAS V, Regulation 23, and IMO Resolution A.1045(27)
- Testing standards in compliance with ISO 799-1:2019

Furthermore, if the ladder is over 30 months old, a certificate of load testing (in compliance with ISO 799-1:2019) that is dated within the past 30 months must also be provided.

Initial inward bookings that are submitted without this information being provided will not be accepted.



For the avoidance of doubt, vessels that do not usually require the services of a pilot (e.g. vessels under the conduct of PEC holders) do not need to provide this information unless the services of a pilot are required.

Examples of a pilot ladder manufacturer's plate and certificate are shown on the following page.

Queries regarding these requirements should be directed to the Group Marine Planners (<u>GroupMarine.Planners@PeelPorts.com</u>).

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Example of a pilot ladder manufacturer's plate



Example of a pilot ladder certificate

