

PILOTAGE DIRECTIONS

In accordance with Section 2 of the Pilotage Act 1987 the Lancaster Port Commission as the Competent Harbour Authority for the Port of Lancaster makes the following Pilotage Direction in accordance with Section 7 of the Pilotage act 1987.

The Pilotage District Limits are delineated as follows:

From sea at the mouth of the River Lune (Lune No 1 buoy), up the river approx 8nm onto both North and East NAABSA berths, and entry into Glasson dock berths.

Compulsory Pilotage:

Pilotage shall be deemed compulsory for vessels over 50m in length navigating within the Port of Lancaster limits.(In the case of vessels or objects being towed, Pilotage is compulsory where the combined length of tow exceeds 50m).

Pilotage shall be compulsory for all vessels using attached towing services within the limits of Lancaster Port.

A vessel not subject to the above direction may nevertheless require a pilot in the interests of safety (for example in unusual conditions such as poor weather, reduced visibility , unfamiliarity with, or lack of knowledge of the port or due to fatigue etc.).

Pilot Exemptions Certificates:

Regular vessel services in/out of the Port may be able to obtain Pilot Exemption Certificates (Issued to the individual and relevant for their particular vessel only) issued/managed/controlled at the discretion of the Harbour Authority.

Pilotage is non- compulsory for vessels up to 50m and as follows:

- a) RNLI vessels
- b) Fishing vessels less than 47.5m LOA (At the Discretion of the Harbour Authority)
- c) Vessels anchoring within the port limits. (At the Discretion of the Harbour Authority)
- d) At the discretion of the authority for named vessels and masters engaged in dredging/Surveying operations and the transportation of dredged materials.
- e) Sovereign vessels/warships etc.
- f) Pleasure craft. (At the Discretion of the Harbour Authority)

By order of the Lancaster Port Commission