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LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS N^o 21 OF 2015

New Notification Required for Passenger Vessels

Mariners, Owners, Agents and Charterers are advised that all vessels certified to carry more than 12 passengers are required to comply with the Gibraltar Merchant Shipping (Counting and Registration of Persons on Board Passenger Ships) Regulations 2004, as amended and are required to report to Gibraltar VTS each time they depart.

In accordance with EU and Gibraltar legislation for "Counting and Registration of Persons on Board Passenger ships" it is necessary to maintain records of passengers and crew carried on all vessels, certified to carry more than 12 passengers operating in, or visiting, British Gibraltar Territorial Waters.

This information is required in the event of an accident or any Search and Rescue operations which may result in a search for survivors.

The following shall report to Gibraltar VTS on every occasion prior to departing a berth:

- Domestic Passenger vessels (Dolphin Boats or equivalent) – via VHF
- Passenger ships – via paperwork & existing reporting system
- Ferries – via paperwork & existing reporting system

In all cases TOTAL number of passengers and crew are to be reported in the following manner "Number of Passengers + Number of Crew".



MANUEL TIRADO
DEPUTY CAPTAIN OF THE PORT

Owners, Agents and Charterers should ensure that the contents of Local Notice to Mariners are made known to Masters and persons in charge of their vessels.

All notices are available to view on the Gibraltar Port Authority website at: www.gibraltarport.com