



ELGIN & LOSSIEMOUTH HARBOUR COMPANY

SUMMARY

HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL

As Duty Holder, The Elgin & Lossiemouth Harbour Company recognise the importance of compliance with Health, Safety & Environmental regulations and systems which are fundamental at Lossiemouth Harbour.

The Company considers it to be high priority to minimise risks to customers, visitors, members of the public and employees who may be affected by activities and marine operations at Lossiemouth Harbour.

Guidance for Port Users & Visitors:

All traffic must adhere to the speed limit of 5mph on the harbour undertaking.

Vehicles parking off quay permitted only at the direction and positioning by harbour staff.

Drivers and pedestrians should be aware of moving plant and equipment operating on harbour undertaking. These include the sublift, cranes, lorries and forklift trucks. Large plant and slow moving vehicles will be moved under the supervision and escort of harbour staff.

Drivers and plant operators must wear Personal Protective Equipment (for example - safety boots, high visibility vest/jacket, hard hat) for operations on the harbour undertaking. When operating within close distance to the quayside in bad weather, auto inflation lifejackets must be worn.

Hot Work (welding, cutting and grinding) is restricted to suitably qualified persons only and must ensure that a safe system of work is in place. Permission is to be sought from Harbour Master prior to works. Permit to Work must be obtained.

All spillages must be cleared as soon as possible at time of occurrence. Spillages dumped into the water is strictly prohibited and must be disposed of properly.

Fishing vessels:

Suitable and sufficient mooring ropes must be provided and regularly checked by vessel owners. Vessels are to be safely fastened to quayside bollards and alongside vessel if rafted off.

Fishing gear may be temporarily stored in designated storage areas with the permission of harbour staff but must be kept tidy and returned to vessel at the soonest opportunity. No fishing gear is to be stored on the pier.

Care must be taken when crew access/egress their vessel by means of the quayside ladders.

All vessels must be suitably insured for at least third party to a minimum amount of £5,000,000 (five million pounds), and copies of current insurance must be provided to the Company on an annual basis.

Fishing vessel owners are responsible for the safety and welfare of their crew members at all times.

Leisure Vessels:

Launch and recovery of small vessels and personal watercraft at the slip is only permissible after the issue of proof of current third party insurance. All manoeuvres, entries and exits at the harbour must be undertaken at slow speed.

Yachts and powerboats allocated pontoon berths are responsible for the safety of passengers and crew at all times. Yacht users should make every effort to keep the gatehouses locked for the safety and security of their vessels.

All users:

It is the boat owners responsibility to ensure life jackets are worn and is strongly recommended. Boat owners to ensure that their vessel is seaworthy and that VHF radio is installed and fully operational – VHF Channel 12 for Lossiemouth Marina, VHF Channel 16 for Coastguard.

Any accident, including near misses, land spill, oils spills into the water and incidents involving damage, must be reported immediately to the harbour staff.

Observe all safety and instruction signs without exception.

It is a criminal offence to misuse, interfere with or damage safety equipment.

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Environment:

Unauthorised dumping of waste is strictly prohibited and all waste shall be disposed of in compliance with current legislation in provided receptacles.

No unauthorised discharges are permitted to drains, sewers or watercourses.

Disposal of sewage or any substance considered to be harmful into the harbour is strictly prohibited.

All general waste is to be deposited in waste bins provided at the gatehouses.