

PORT OF SUNDERLAND

NOTICE TO MARINERS

ENGLAND NORTH EAST COAST

SETTING OF FISHING GEAR WITHIN PORT LIMITS AND SEAWARD APPROACHES

Ref. No. 05 of 2015

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that no fishing gear must be set anywhere within the Harbour and Docks (as defined in the Sunderland Corporation Act, 1972) or within the area of the seaward approaches to Sunderland Harbour as specified in the following paragraph:

*An arc of 0.75 nautical mile radius extending seaward of Roker Pier Light (FI W 5s), situated in position Lat. 54° 55.279' N Long. 01° 21.147' W, bounded by a line bearing 055 degrees true from Roker Pier Lighthouse to the north and line bearing 100 degrees true from New South Pier Light (FI W 10s), situated in position Lat. 54° 55.137' N. Long. 01°21.171' W to the south, as indicated by the sector shaded in light green on the accompanying plan.*

The presence of lines floating on the surface is continuing to cause serious obstruction and danger to commercial vessels and small craft.

Any fishing gear (including nets, pots and associated buoys, lines and markers) found to have been set within the Harbour, Docks or their seaward approaches (as specified above) is liable to be removed and dealt with by the Harbour Master or his deputies at any time in accordance with appropriate statutory provisions contained within Section 56 of the Harbours, Docks and Piers Clauses Act, 1847 and Section 17 of the Sunderland Corporation Act, 1972.

Without prejudice to the content of the Notice, all fishermen are reminded of the guidance document MCA/067 entitled "Marking of Fishing Gear," published by the Maritime and Coastguard Agency in March 2008.

This Notice supersedes Notice to Mariners 02 of 2015, which is now cancelled.

Additional information can be obtained from Local Port Services, Port Control, Sunderland on 0191 514 2752.

CAPTAIN A. K. ULLAH, Harbour Master, Port of Sunderland, Capstan House, Greenwells Quay, South Docks, Barrack Street, Sunderland, SR1 2BU. Dated: 14th day of June, 2015.

