

## NOTICE TO MARINERS      15 of 2017

### PILOT EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE VALIDITY

Agents, berth and ship operators are reminded of the requirements of the Port of London Authority Pilotage Directions for Pilot Exemption Certificates (PEC) which specifically relates to the following:

#### Section 1.4 REGULATIONS FOR THE USE OF A PEC

- g) A PEC remains valid for one year from the date of issue or renewal. It is the responsibility of the Holder to ensure that his/her PEC remains valid.
- h) A PEC will only remain valid while the Holder's Certificate of Competency and Medical Certificate are also valid.

The London VTS system has been updated to show validity of Pilotage Exemption Holders Certificate of competency and appropriate Medical Certificates. It is the responsibility of the PEC holder to ensure that this information is current to continue the PEC validity.

A period of grace up to and including Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June will apply for all PEC Holders to review and submit this information; failure to do so may result in the withdrawal of a PEC and or possible delays to the vessel.

Please contact Karen Harrington in the Pilotage Department, Telephone 01474 562322 or email [Karen.Harrington@pla.co.uk](mailto:Karen.Harrington@pla.co.uk) who will assist.

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