

## NOTICE TO MARINERS      24 of 2017

### **VESSELS LICENSED AS SHIP TOWAGE TUGS BY THE PORT OF LONDON AUTHORITY**

**This Notice supersedes Notice to Mariners 16 of 2017 which is now cancelled.**

In complying with the requirements of Byelaw 13 of the Port of London Vessel Licensing Byelaws 2014, owners of tugs wishing to undertake ship towage operations in the Thames are required, amongst other things, to submit evidence of bollard pull, usually by way of a certificate, to the PLA. A new-build vessel's bollard pull certificate is acceptable until the vessel is 15 years old; thereafter the PLA requires bollard pull tests to be undertaken every 5 years.

**The list below identifies all tugs currently licensed by the PLA to undertake ship towage operations:**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>BOLLARD PULL (Tonnes)</b>	<b>ENGINE POWER (Kilowatts)</b>	<b>OPERATOR</b>
NIPASHORE	4.0	240	AJ & A Pratt
DEVIOUS	5.5	270	Thamescraft Dry Docking Services
CHRISTINE	6.5	373	AJ & A Pratt
PROGRESS	7.5	600	Marine Support Thames Ltd
SWS ESSEX	8.9	640	S Walsh & Sons Ltd
DOCKMAN	10.0	745	Thames Towage
THAMES VIXEN	10.0	850	Livett's Group
GENERAL VIII	14.4	950	General Marine (London) Ltd
SWS BREDA	16.7	895	S Walsh & Sons Ltd
DEVOUT	17.0	895	Thamescraft Dry Docking Services
SVITZER LACEBY*	48.1	3000	Svitzer Thames
SVITZER CECILIA	49.0	4018	Svitzer Thames
YORKSHIREMAN♦	50.0	2640	Kotug SMIT Towage
SVITZER MADELEINE	56.0	3600	Svitzer Medway

\* Indicates vessels are fitted with Fire Fighting Capability

♦ Indicates vessel is only authorised to undertake ship towage over the bow in the Port of London.

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NAME	BOLLARD PULL (Tonnes)	ENGINE POWER (Kilowatts)	OPERATOR
SVITZER BOOTLE*	60.8	3236	Svitzer Thames
SVITZER BRUNEL*	61.6	3048	Svitzer Thames
SVITZER INTREPID♦	65.1	2642	Svitzer Medway
SD SHARK*	65.2	3842	Kotug SMIT Towage
SD SALVOR♦*	66.0	3372	Kotug SMIT Towage
SVITZER HARTY*	67.9	4200	Svitzer Medway
SVITZER SUN	68.5	4180	Svitzer Medway
ZP BOXER	69.0	4200	Kotug SMIT Towage
SVITZER MALLAIG♦*	70.0	4200	Svitzer Thames
ZP BEAR	71.3	4200	Kotug SMIT Towage
SVITZER VICTORY*	75.2	3655	Svitzer Medway
SVITZER WARDEN*	73.6	4200	Svitzer Medway
SVITZER KENT*	80.0	5050	Svitzer Thames
RT ADRIAAN	81.0	5295	Kotug SMIT Towage
SVITZER LONDON	82.0	5050	Svitzer Thames
RT EVOLUTION*	85.1	5295	Kotug SMIT Towage
SVITZER GANGES♦*	87.5	3840	Svitzer Medway
SVITZER MONARCH♦*	87.7	3840	Svitzer Medway
SMIT TIGER♦*	90.0	5420	Kotug SMIT Towage

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Further vessels will be added to the list as their bollard pull tests are undertaken and they pass the associated inspection. The above vessels, as with other manned vessels licensed by the PLA, are inspected annually to confirm their suitability for purpose.

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