

NOTICE TO MARINERS 25 of 2017

WITHDRAWAL OF PLA PUBLICATION

CODE OF PRACTICE FOR THE EMBARKATION AND DISEMBARKATION OF PILOTS IN THE THAMES ESTUARY

The Port of London Authority (PLA) in conjunction with the MCA, Estuary Services Limited and local Ports have undertaken a scheduled review of the Code of Practice for the Embarkation and Disembarkation of Pilots in the Thames Estuary.

As a result of this review, the PLA is withdrawing its Code of Practice and adopting **The Disembarkation and Embarkation of Pilots - Code of Safe Practice** (Revised August 2017) in its place.

The PLA has assisted in the recent amendment of this national code which was prepared jointly by the United Kingdom Marine Pilots Association (UKMPA) Technical and Training Committee, the UK Harbour Master Association (UKHMA) and the BPA/UKMPG Marine Pilotage Working Group.

The Embarkation & Disembarkation of Pilots - Code of Safe Practice is available from the UKMPA website at:

<http://ukmpa.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/B-and-L-Code-2017-2.pdf>

A link will also be available on the PLA website on our Regulations and Guidance page as below, until this national code is sufficiently promulgated

All PLA Byelaws, Directions and Codes of Practice are available in electronic form on the PLA website at [www.pla.co.uk / Safety / Regulations and Guidance](http://www.pla.co.uk/Safety/Regulations%20and%20Guidance)

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