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WEST INDIA AND MILLWALL DOCK SYSTEM

Marine Safety Management System Part 3, Harbour Regulations and Guidance

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ABBREVIATIONS AND DEFINITIONS

Term or Acronym	Description
AIS	Automatic Identification System
ACOP	Approved Codes of Practice
AtoN	Aid to Navigation
CHA	Competent Harbour Authority
CHIRP	Confidential Hazardous Incident Reporting Programme
"The Code"	Refers to the "Port Marine Safety Code"
COMAH	Control of Major Accident Hazard Regulations
CRT	Canal and River Trust
DfT	Department for Transport
DRA	Dynamic Risk Assessment
DGHAR	Dangerous Goods in Harbour Area Regs 2016
EU	European Union
FEPA	Food and Environment Protection Act 1985 (FEPA)
GLA	General Lighthouse Authority
GPS	Global Positioning System
"The guide"	Refers to "The Guide to Good Practice on Port Operations"
HSE	Health and Safety Executive
HMRC	His Majesty's Revenue and Customs
IMO	International Maritime Organisation
Incident	Refers to an Accident or Near Miss
IALA	International Association of Lighthouse Authorities
LLA	Local Lighthouse Authority

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LPS	Local Port Service
MCA	Maritime and Coastguard Agency
MASTER	For the purpose of these Directions, the Master includes, but not exclusive to: Owner or mariner, whether commercial, recreational under power or sailing
MAIB	Marine Accident Investigation Branch
Marine Operations	For this guide, marine operations are to be taken to mean the moving, berthing and unberthing of vessels and other marine craft within the limits and approaches of the Statutory Harbour Authority of West India and Millwall Dock System
MSMS	Marine Safety Management System
OPRC	The Merchant Shipping (Oil Pollution Preparedness Response and Co-Operation Convention) Regulations
PEC	Pilotage Exemption Certificate
PMSC	Port Marine Safety Code
PMSMS	Marine Safety Management System
PSS	Port Skills and Safety
RAMS	Risk Assessed Method Statement
SHA	Statutory Harbour Authority
SOSREP	Secretary of State Representative
SQEPed	Suitably Qualified and Experienced Person
STCW	International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers
SWL	Safe Working Load
THE PORT	West India and Millwall Dock System
UKHO	United Kingdom Hydrographic Office
UKMPA	United Kingdom Maritime Pilot's Association
VHF	Very-High Frequency

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1. Introduction

1.1. Harbour authorities are responsible for managing and running safe and efficient harbours: they have responsibilities in relation to the safety of people and vessels within the harbour, efficient navigation, and protection of the port environment.

1.2. These Regulations and Guidance form Part 3 of the West India and Millwall Docks Marine Safety Management System: Parts 1 and 2 deliver the Canal and River Trust (The Trust) Policies and Principles, and Operations Manual respectively. Parts 1 and 2 are internal Trust documents.

1.3. Part 3 forms the Harbour Regulations and Guidance for West India and Millwall Docks (WID) which gives the terms and conditions of entry and use and details processes and procedures for the safety of navigation and wider operations within WID.

2. Amendments

2.1. From time to time, amendments shall be made as the Trust responds to changes in law, industry best practice or as deemed fit by the Trust. Changes will be posted on the Trust web site Trust website.

3. Context

3.1. The Trust derives its powers from legislation, including [Harbours Act 1964](#), [Pilotage Act 1987](#), [Transport Act 1981](#), [Harbours, Docks and Piers Clauses Act 1847](#), [Dock Regulations 1988](#). Further the Trust draws on industry best practice such as the [Port Marine Safety Code](#), and [A Guide to Good Practice on Marine Operations](#).

3.2. Further, the London Docklands Development Corporation Act 1994 sees Byelaw confirmed, 16 Dec 1996.

3.3. The Trust's responsibilities also include the protection, regulation, maintenance and improvement of its Ports and approaches. Harbour Masters appointed by The Trust, are responsible for the day-to-day management and safety of marine operations undertaken in the harbour, the Harbour Management Board serves as the Duty Holder

3.4. It is the statutory duty of the Authority to deliver a framework for practices and processes to enable the use of the docks and lock where risks are mitigated to ALARP principles, that is as low as reasonably practicable. To this end, the Harbour Directions (General Directions) and Byelaws (enacted by 14 of the Harbours Act 1964) will be enforced through this document.

3.5. The Port Marine Safety Code (PMSC) defines the roles and responsibilities of organisations operating within the harbour. All vessel and terminal operators are to be aware of their role in the PMSC context and are required to operate to the various industry legislation, codes, and best practice applicable to their service delivery: for safety boats, the Rescue Boat code, for example.

4. Organisations as defined by the Port Marine Safety Code.

4.1. Organisations, as defined by the Port Marine Safety Code operating in within the SHA boundaries are required to comply with, but not limited to, the Harbour Regulations and Guidelines, Oil Response Plan, Port Waste Management Plan, the requirements, where applicable, to the International

Ship, Port Facility Security Regulations and to all relevant general, marine (MCA, HSE, PSS) and Trust regulation, guides, and good practice.

5. Bye laws

5.1. The Bye laws are published on the web site.

6. Application of the Harbour Regulations and Guidelines,

6.1. Legal Background of the Trust as the SHA. The Transfer of Functions Order, 2012, (The Order) consolidated earlier legislation covering West India and Millwall Docks. The Order provides the legislative backbone to the Trust as the SHA, but it is not the only law that applies within the harbour; the national laws of England and Wales also apply.

6.2. The Order, through the Byelaws, creates offences as well as providing the powers under which the Trust can act. The order also provides that the Harbour Master can give Special Directions. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Order, Byelaws and Directions are offences for which offenders can be prosecuted.

6.3. Adherence to the Harbour Regulations and Guidance is mandatory and a condition of operating within the approaches, lock, lockside and docks: see Byelaw No 5.

6.4. Nothing in this document absolves an owner, master, or mariner, whether commercial, recreational under power, sailing rowing or the like, for their responsibility for a proper material state of their vessel or passage planning, berth to berth, within, or in the approaches to WID.

6.5. Each and every activity in the Harbour is to be covered by a Risk Assessment. From time to time the Harbour Authority will request sight of these.

7. Collision Regulations

7.1. Note that the Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972 (COLREGs) apply within the harbour.

7.2. Masters and boaters should be cognisant that that vessels at or over 40m have limited room to manoeuvre and act accordingly.

8. Accident and incidents

8.1. We rely on the wider community to help us keep the harbour safe and clean for navigation, sport and when approved, for relaxation. Delivering safe marine operations is the responsibility of all users where the Trust delivers the framework, through the Marine Safety Management System such that all users should feel comfortable operating.

8.2. Any user, under the provisions of the Byelaws, (no 5 and 11) are to report any accident or incident afloat or ashore on Trust property. All navigational incidents will be fully investigated by the Harbour Master, where some incidents may also be investigated by the Marine Accident Investigation Branch (MAIB), the health and Safety Executive, (HSE) or Maritime & Coastguard Agency (MCA).

8.3. In addition to this legal requirement, all users are invited to report any navigational incidents or occurrences (including near misses or any general safety observations and concerns) so that any matters arising can be properly considered.

8.4. An accident It is defined as any unplanned/unwanted event that results in the injury or the ill health of people, or damage or the loss to the property, plant, materials or the environment or the loss of a business opportunity.

8.5. An incident can be:

- Near miss: an event not causing harm, but has the potential to cause injury or ill health
- An undesired circumstance: a set of conditions or circumstances that have the potential to cause injury or ill health
- A dangerous occurrence: one of a number of specific, reportable adverse events, as defined in the Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations 2013 (RIDDOR)

9. Accident and incident reporting

9.1. Any accident and incident, afloat and ashore, is to be reported as soon as is practicable, by telephone or email to the Harbour Master's Office.

9.2. Where there is a risk to life and limb, call the emergency services using 999, and follow up calling the Trust emergency number 0800 4799947.

9.3. The accident and incident reporting form at Annex J is to be submitted within 24 hours (unless agreed otherwise with the Harbour Master).

9.4. Categories recognised as an accident or incident are at Annex J

10. Harbour Master Approval

10.1. Throughout this document, reference is made to Harbour Master approval. Depending on the issue/event, this is given on the submission of satisfactory SSOW. For port operations, these are to be consistent with the Port Marine Safety Code, Guide to Good Practice and industry standards. Note that through the complexities of ownership of the water around the port, 3rd and 4th parties may have to be engaged, thus early application is recommended.

10.2. The Harbour Master, or his/her delegated representative, verbally face to face, by VHF or phone or by any written communication has the authority to apply these Directions as deemed fit according to the conditions at the time.

11. Enforcement Policy

11.1. The Canal and River Trust (The Trust) is responsible for enforcing many of the laws and regulations that apply within the defined Statutory Harbour Authority (SHA) boundaries. Enforcement does not necessarily mean prosecution.

11.2. Prosecution and the associated penalties imposed by a Court provide the ultimate sanction, but enforcement provides a range of responses from education and advice to informal verbal warnings, through formal written warnings to action in the Courts.

11.3. Enforcement covers everything from cordial education on the conduct expected on in the port to prosecution on indictment in the Crown Court where the Court may impose fines and/or send someone to prison. The current range of enforcement options adopted by the Trust includes:

- Education, always engage with the Harbour Master early

- Verbal Warning (Informal), guidance through early engagement can avoid this
- Harbour Master's Warning (Formal), non-compliance with Byelaws, Harbour Regulations and Guidance & Special Directions
- Harbour Master's Reprimand (Formal), repeated non-compliance with Byelaws, Harbour Regulations and Guidance & Special Directions
- Prosecution.

12. General terms and conditions of use

12.1. Operation in and around the harbour and on Trust land is implicit acceptance of these terms and conditions.

13. Right of access and passage planning

13.1. Whilst the port is, by definition an Open Port, there is no absolute right to access the West India and Millwall Dock system (The port).

13.2. It is the responsibility of each Master to plan the passage, berth to berth: the passage may be modified after consultation with the Harbour Master, but this does not relieve the Master of his/her sole responsibility.

14. Right of navigation

14.1. Vessels moored to berths in the port, other than those operated by lease or licence, do not have the right of general navigation and may only proceed from berth to berth by arrangement with the Harbour Master, through Marine Control.

14.2. Those operating under a licence or lease are to submit their intended programme monthly, by the 25th of the preceding month.

14.3. From time to time, the Harbour Master or his/her representative may close areas within the WID at his or her sole discretion for reasons which may include:

- Safety
- Emergency
- National or Trust directive
- Water space management (deconfliction of activities)
- Construction work

14.4. Where possible, 5 working days' notice will be given through Dock User Notices.

14.5. Masters and owners maybe required to shift berths or vacate WID, at their sole cost.

15. Communications

15.1. Masters and contractors, when underway within the port, or when undergoing operations or maintenance, which include watertight integrity works, bunkering and hot work, are to maintain watch on VHF Channel 13.

15.2. Port telephone numbers are at Annex G.

16. Insurance

16.1. No vessel is to enter the Trust waters, as defined in Annex E, without appropriate insurance covering Third Party claim and Harbour Insurance, including cover against foundering, salvage and wreck raising claims. Minimum insurance cover of £ 4 Million (Four million pounds)

16.2. Masters are to present a certificate of insurance on booking: entry to Trust waters is conditional on sighting the document. Insurance is to be sought from a provider regulated by the FSA.

16.3. Insurance cover is to be maintained throughout the time the vessel is in Trust waters.

17. Residential Moorings

17.1. Residential Moorings are operated by the Trust and Aquavista. Owners have their respective Terms and conditions yet are to be aware that their berth lies within the Statutory Harbour Authority waters, thus these Regulations and Guidance apply to them, specifically safety, protecting the environment, material state, operation, and integrity of the vessel.

17.2. Further Guidance is at Annex G

18. Navigation in Lock and Dock Systems – International Regulations

18.1. International regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea apply within The port.

19. Navigation in Lock and Dock Systems – National Regulations

19.1. National regulations defined by the Maritime and Coast Guard Agency (MCA) apply within the port.

20. Navigation in Lock and Dock Systems – Local Regulations

20.1. Local regulations and the Port of London Authority licencing regime apply to all commercial vessels operating within the port: failure to comply will negate any commercial agreement between the Trust and the vessel owner.

21. Speed limit

21.1. The speed limit is 5 knots.

21.2. Applications to exceed the speed limit are to made to the Harbour Master with 5 working days notice.

22. Compliance

22.1. All vessels within the port are to comply with the appropriate International, National and Local Regulations for the type of vessels. Within the port, vessels are liable to Port State Control inspections as deemed fit by the MCA.

22.2. Masters are to comply with all local regulations pertaining to operations within the port.

22.3. Masters are to comply with certification standards are as defined by the Port of London Authority and are the minimum to operate within the port.

22.4. Vessel certification standards are as defined Port of London Authority and are the minimum to operate within the port.

22.5. The Master of any vessel and its crew in the port or alongside any berth are to comply with any directions by the Harbour Master or his/her authorised representative. Some berths are owned by third parties, nevertheless the

Harbour Authority through the Harbour Master has jurisdiction on the water and thus has authority, under the byelaws, to Direct owners and Masters.

23. General Duties of Masters

23.1. Masters are to:

- Pay attention to and comply with all instructions received from the Harbour Master or his/her representatives
- Adhere to byelaws
- Adhere to any mooring permits and the Terms and Conditions issued
- Take note and navigate with caution to any signals which may be displayed: if any party is unsure of the meaning, masters are to stop/navigate with extreme caution, and seek clarity.
- Comply with leases, licences and permissions as issued by the Trust

24. Safety of Navigation in Dock Cuttings and Passages: weather parameters

24.1. Vessel moves are to be pre-approved by the Harbour Master.

24.2. During periods of strong winds, when the average speed is measured as at the lock more than force 5 on the Beaufort Wind Scale (20 knots), the passage of craft through the Blackwall Cutting and West India Quay Footbridge Bellmouth Passage, Heron Quays Cutting (when open), Millwall Cutting and the Glengall Bridge will be prohibited.

24.3. The term large craft is defined as, but not limited vessels of 40m plus, to high sided craft, pontoons and barges with tall structures on deck, crane barges, craft that require Bellmouth Passage, Blackwall Cutting and upper Bank Street bridges to be lifted, and craft where the beam is greater than the width of the defined channel: this is 20m.

24.4. Large craft are to show Restricted in Ability to Manoeuvre shapes/lights.

25. Vessel Names, Numbers, and permits

25.1. All vessels are to show their names, IMO number (where appropriate) and Trust licence (as appropriate) when in the port. These are to clearly and permanently displayed on the bow and stern.

26. Vessels not to make fast to others

26.1. No Master, except in an emergency is to make fast to another without the permission of the Master or unless directed to be the Harbour Master.

27. Gangways/Safe Access

27.1. Every vessel is to have a means of safe access: safe access is defined in wider industry documentation, MCA, HSE and PSS.

27.2. Where a vessel uses a gangway, it is to be fenced and lit at night and comply with appropriate safe access legislation. Gangways are not to obstruct the quaysides.

28. Avoidance of Dredging, diving and other works

28.1. The Master of a vessel shall cause her to be kept clear of dredgers and other craft engaged in the laying or retrieving of mooring, navigational work or salvage or construction works in and around the port.

28.2. Vessels are to be navigated with care and caution at a speed and in such manner so as not to cause injury or endanger the lives of persons engaged in under water activity or construction work.

29. Vessels Used for fishing

29.1. The Master of a vessel shall not use or permit her to be used for drift trawling or other net or line fishing in any part of the port without permission of the Harbour Master.

30. Unseaworthy Vessels

30.1. No person shall cause a vessel to enter the port in an unsafe or unseaworthy condition nor except so far as may be necessary for her safety and that of her crew, to navigate therein in such a condition and where she is in such a condition the Master shall notify the Harbour Master forthwith and she shall then proceed to such a place as may be indicated by the Harbour Master.

30.2. Such written consent will only be given in exceptional circumstances and every Master is to make every effort to return the vessel into such a condition as soon as possible. Any vessel incapable of being returned to such a condition is to be moved from the port and the Master's/Owner's expense.

30.3. Except with the express permission of the Harbour Master, all vessels within the port, at all times are to be capable of being safely moved and navigated by their own means of propulsion.

30.4. Application to return to the port is to be made to the Harbour Master: having left the port, there is no automatic right of re-entry, and each application will be dealt with depending on the circumstances of the case.

30.5. Vessels with propulsion and or steering gear defects are to report the same to the Harbour Master on establishing that there is a defect, or before any indented move into, withing or our of the harbour.

31. Unattended vessels

31.1. If the vessel is unattended for more than 24 hours, the Master is to leave with the Harbour Master his/her name together with the address and telephone number at which he/she can be contacted.

31.2. It is also strongly suggested that keys for gaining entrance to such vessels also be left with the Harbour Master in case of emergency.

31.3. Should an unattended vessel be causing an obstruction or damage to the property of the Trust or pose a hazard to other vessels, said vessel, with no liability to the Trust, be moved or moored to a berth where the damage, obstruction or risk is minimised.

31.4. Unattended vessels are to be fitted with an automatic bilge pump.

31.5. The above applies to residential vessels: access to vessels in Aquavista and Trust managed moorings is defined in respective T&Cs.

32. Obstruction to Navigation

32.1. No Master, except in an emergency shall moor, anchor or berth his/her vessel in such a manner to obstruct navigation.

33. Fires

33.1. A master of a vessel which has any fire alight or naked light on the upper deck shall not allow her to come alongside any vessel, wharf, dock, pier or mooring.

33.2. BBQs are not permitted on and by moored vessels and Trust land without prior permission, see events.

34. Prohibited Goods

34.1. No vessel shall enter the docks whilst goods of a hazardous, dangerous, explosive or poisonous nature remain on board and before entering the docks the Harbour Master shall, if requires, give an undertaking that there are no such goods on board the vessel. Animals, goods currently prohibited under the United Kingdom importation legislations are not to be allowed to enter the port from a source outside the United Kingdom.

35. Obstruction of Water frontage

35.1. No person shall cause or permit any obstruction on, or to the approach of the said piers, quays and wharves or within the waterfront so as to prevent the mooring or unmooring of vessels.

36. Unauthorised Parking

36.1. Parking of any vehicle of any description on any part of the Trust estate, without specific permission of the Trust is prohibited and may result in the issue of a civil penalty charge or more serious legal action as appropriate.

37. Canal and River Trust Equipment

37.1. The Trust shall not be obliged to provide, nor shall the any organisation or Master of any vessel or member of any vessel's crew utilise plant, facilities, equipment, cranes, gear or tackles owned by the Trust without written permission of the Harbour Master.

37.2. The Trust accepts no liability for improper use of said equipment.

38. Pollution

38.1. In the event of a vessel foundering, the vessel may pump into the Dock, the clearance costs of the pollution lies with the Master. Pollution resulting from a vessel foundering may result in prosecution: attention is drawn to Byelaw 25, (Discharge of Sewage and Water from Vessels) and Byelaw 40 (Dumping and Discharging Prohibited)

38.2. Any pollution is to be reported the Harbour Master as soon as is practicable, together with the following:

- Nature of the pollution, and extent
- Position and if applicable name of vessel
- Cause
- Witnesses
- Weather

39. Bunkering and Refuelling of all Vessels

39.1. All vessels are to obtain written Harbour Masters permission 24 hours before carrying out any bunkering or fuelling operation within The port.

39.2. The Harbour Master may require bunkering tankers or vessels, delivering or receiving, to present their Safe System of Work prior to fuelling/bunkering.

39.3. The bunkering form at Annex D is to be completed: failure to do so may negate future permissions.

39.4. Any such operations are to be carried out in accordance with specific requirements laid out in the Oil Spill Contingency Plan.

39.5. The Plan has been prepared in accordance with, Oil Spill Contingency Plan Guidelines for Ports, Harbours and Oil handling Facilities: The West India and Millwall Dock System Plan has been approved by the Maritime and Coast Guard Agency. The Oil Spill Plan is available from the Harbour Masters Office.

39.6. Byelaw 30, Safety Precautions as to fuelling also refers.

39.7. The bunkering of residential vessels is through an agreed process defined in the respective T&Cs; No drums of fuel/oil are permitted on pontoons.

40. Sewage

40.1. All vessels with crew living onboard are to be fitted with sewage holding tanks and satisfy the Trust that suitable arrangements have been made to discharge the tank ashore.

40.2. Discharge of sewage is prohibited as are the use of sea toilets.

40.3. Byelaw 25, Discharge of Sewage and Water from Vessels refers.

40.4. Vessels able to discharge clean water are to provide valid certification of the fitted system before operation.

41. Residential Use

41.1. Residential use of vessels is not permitted without prior permission of the Trust, Aquavista as applicable. Residential vessels have allocated berths.

42. Events

42.1. The Trust has an event process, on line. Other than lodging organisations who have their own terms and conditions, any event in the harbour is to follow due process.

42.2. The link: [Trust events](#)

42.3. Independent sailing is prohibited.

43. Sailing, Water Skis, Wet Bikes, Personal Watercraft

43.1. Independent sailing is prohibited.

43.2. Use of water skis, wet bikes and similar craft is not allowed in the port.

44. Diving Operations

44.1. Diving operations are to be approved by the Harbour Master.

44.2. Non-Commercial diving is not permitted within the port unless in exceptional circumstances, and only after following due process, see events, paragraph 42.

44.3. Commercial diving permissions are serviced through the Trust Third Party Works Department whose process will approve the SSOW.

44.4. Diving is under the positive control of Marine Control. Divers are not to enter the water until briefed on other known movements, and Marine Control has given permission.

44.5. Vessels hosting divers are to ensure that due safety precautions are taken and recorded such that risks to divers are mitigated.

44.6. Diving signals are to be shown, diving supervisors are to maintain a watch on VHF channel 13.

45. Qualifications and Crewing of Vessels

45.1. All vessels operating with the port are to be crewed by persons meeting the requirements of the Standards of Certification and Watchkeeping, if appropriate, or as directed by the MCA.

45.2. The minimum standard of qualification is an RYA Certificate of Competency in handling the type of vessel operated.

45.3. If contractors or operators are in any doubt as to the applicability of their qualification, application is to be made to the Harbour Master's office.

45.4. Residential Vessels are recommended to hire competent skippers for passing through the port.

46. Safety Requirements and Water Quality

46.1. Any individual or group responsible for water user's safety is to have the appropriate RYA qualifications or such other qualifications approved by that sporting body. As a minimum, organisations are to comply with the relevant sections of the Rescue Boat Code.

46.2. Any individual or group responsible for water users are to ensure that appropriate personal protective equipment, including personal buoyancy aids, are worn. Exceptions are to be covered by a specific Risk Assessments.

46.3. The Trust, through the Harbour Master reserve the right to stop operations if he/she believes that personal or collective safety or the integrity of the other port users' equipment or property is compromised.

46.4. All groups undertaking water activities in any type of small craft, are to deploy a safety boat manned and equipped by qualified personnel and equipment likely to be needed to support an emergency, The Rescue Boat Code gives guidance..

46.5. The Trust periodically undertakes water quality monitoring. The Trust is not obliged to, nor can maintain a set water quality as water within the port is fed from the Thames.

46.6. Organisations, having gone through the due approvals process, are to satisfy themselves that the water quality prevailing meets their Safe System of Work or event risk assessment, as applicable.

46.7. Should organisations wish to conduct their own water sampling, due process of approvals is to be followed, and the results shared at no cost, to The Trust.

47. Dangerous Obstruction

47.1. Any dangerous structure or obstructions are to be reported to the Harbour Master, in writing: water users are to satisfy themselves that all areas are clear of floating and submerged debris before use.

48. Quay Side Lock Machinery

48.1. Operation of quayside or lock machinery is for the exclusive use of SQEPed Trust personnel: the Trust carries no liability for unauthorised, inappropriate, or casual operation.

49. Unauthorised Water Users

49.1. Unauthorised water users are to be reported to Harbour Master or Marine Control at once.

50. General requirements Governing Works Over, on or beneath the port

50.1. No works are to commence on or in the water without the prior agreement of the Harbour Master.

50.2. The West India and Millwall Dock System is a complicated and complex system of waterways, bridges, wharves, jetties and piers which have been modified, developed and revitalised over the years. Ownership across the estate varies and working over on and in the port can need coordination and cooperation from multi agencies.

50.3. The Trust has a team which works through process with the contractor such that a safe system of work, appropriate remuneration and coordination across the agencies and authorities can be assured.

50.4. The Harbour Master can introduce contractors to the appropriate department.

50.5. Notwithstanding any licences and permits obtained, contractors are to abide by the Byelaws and Harbour Masters Direction herein. Any deviation is to be raised with the Harbour Master immediately: the subsequent conversation may well see the refinement of the Safe System of Work through a dynamic risk assessment to achieve the contracted work.

50.6. The SSOW is to include the marking of works, as directed by the Harbour Master. Only lights, shapes and signals stipulated in the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea are to be displayed.

50.7. Additionally, other lighting, signage and buoyage maybe required to keep vessels clear of the area: These will be the responsibility of the contractor to close and mark off the areas to the Harbour Master's satisfaction.

51. Floodlights/Nightworks

51.1. Approval of methods of floodlighting is to be obtained from the Harbour Master prior to installation. Prior agreement must be obtained if night work is to be undertaken

52. Safety Boats

52.1. For works over water, a safety boat is to be provided by the contractor manned and equipped by qualified personnel and equipment likely to be needed to support an emergency as detailed in the risk assessment supporting the SSOW.

53. Hot Works

53.1. Marine Control is to be informed when any hot works, burning, welding or similar are to be carried out on any vessel and when works are completed.

54. Port Towage Operations

54.1. A General Direction for towage is at Bye Law 15.

54.2. Towing operations may include the provision of assistance to an operational vessel, the movement of dead vessels and the movement of barges, floating equipment and plant into, out of or within the harbour area.

54.3. Towing operations conducted within the harbour area are only be conducted with the permission of the Harbour Master, at least 4 working days before the arrival or departure of the towage operation.

54.4. Vessels conducting the tow, as a minimum are to meet or exceed those required by the PLA.

54.5. Vessels to conduct any tow are to submit their towage plan, as a minimum, 2 working days before the tow and are not to tow without the Harbour Master written approval.

54.6. Barges, being towed outward bound from the lock are to have a stern tug attached.

55. Operating Times

55.1. The Marine Control Room is manned 0900-1700 weekdays. It is closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day, and New Year's Day, and during extenuating circumstances as defined by the Trust.

55.2. West India lock, locking in and out of West India and Millwall Dock operations are between 0830 and 1600 weekdays, 0900 and 1500 weekends. Times given are the start of setting up the lock, and completion of the operation.

55.3. Servicing arrivals and departures can be delivered outside the times above, this carries additional charges for staff over time.

55.4. A minimum height of tide for locking in/out is 2m

55.5. There is to be no movement between sunset and sunrise without permission of the Harbour Master.

55.6. Bridges with the dock system are not all under the control of the Trust: lifts can be done in weekdays, 0800-1500, but not in Statutory Holidays. Other than the Blue Bridge, special application can be may for some other bridges, but this is not within the gift of the Trust and may incur further charges.

55.7. Vessels requiring passage through the Bellmouth and require all bridges lifted, can only passage after 1900, or at weekends, between 0900-1500.

56. Schedule of Services and Charges

56.1. The Schedule of Services and Charges are published at Annex A.

56.2. The charges will be reviewed annually and published January each year for adoption 1 April.

56.3. Residential vessels with licenced Trust or Aquavista berths have free passage once per year through West India Lock, where entry/exit is within 2 hour either side of High Water (HW). There is no play on the time of HW – as published by the Hydrographic Office, HW Woolwich plus 10mins for the Lock.

57. Dock, Lock and Bridge Dimensions

57.1. Dock, lock, and bridge dimensions are at Annex B.

58. Water Level Constraints and Parameters, High and Low Water timings

58.1. The West India and Millwall Dock system comprise of several interconnected non tidal basins: water levels are maintained by The Trust through impounding water from the Thames. Impounding takes place either side of High Water.

58.2. West India Lock times of High and Low water are 10 mins and 19 mins after the High and Low Waters time of North Woolwich.

58.3. Fully impounded equates to 7.58m above Chart Datum (CD) of the PLA charts.

58.4. Minimum impounded level is 6.99m above CD of the PLA charts.

58.5. The Trust endeavours to keep levels between 7.3m and 7.6m above CD of the PLA charts.

58.6. Dock and relative water levels are at Annex C

59. West India Lock Depths

59.1. The full-length lock, mitre to mitre is 178m, $\frac{3}{4}$ length at 133m and $\frac{1}{4}$ length dock at 44m and 24m wide. A pair of gates sits over a cill: each cill is at 3.84m below Chart Datum: the approaches to, and West India Dock depth are maintained through maintenance dredging.

59.2. The minimum height of tide for lock operations is 2m

59.3. Indicative depths, non-surveyed, are at Annex C

59.4. Vessels wishing to purchase the results of the most recent survey may do so on application to the Harbour Master.

60. West India and Millwall Dock system – Minimum Depth

60.1. Water levels are maintained by The Trust, water depths, other than in the approaches to West India Dock, are not. Maintenance dredging at the Bellmouth and lock entrance are conducted periodically: the likely siltation spots are below the Blue Bridge.

60.2. Owners and Masters of larger vessels are informed that The Trust neither dredges nor maintains to minimum depths across the port.

60.3. Given one month's notice, not covering holiday periods of Christmas, Easter, and the summer (July and August), The Trust, through application to the Harbour Master, at an agreed fee, can organise accredited surveying.

60.4. Indicative minimum depth is At Annex C

61. West India and Millwall Dock System – Minimum Width

61.1. The water system has evolved over the years where development has encroached on the navigable waters available. Masters are to ensure their berth-to-berth navigational plan considers these limitations before entering the port.

61.2. Indicative minimum widths are at Annex C

62. West India and Millwall Dock – Bridges and Air Draughts

62.1. Air draughts vary across the port and are to be considered in their berth-to-berth plan. Some bridges are fixed and not all that lift are under the control of the Trust.

62.2. For bridge lifts, there may be a charge, see schedule of charges, and 2 working days, written notice is required. Rush hour times are to be avoided:

62.3. Rush hours being weekdays: 0800-0900: 1630-1800

62.4. Indicative air draughts are at Annex C

63. Notes on specific bridges:

63.1. The Manchester Road Bridge (The Blue Bridge) is a single leaf lifting bridge, which when raised does not project over the lock side, but when handling square rigged vessels, it may be necessary to cockbill the yards.

63.2. West of the Wilkinson's Footbridge in South Dock is closed to all vessel traffic unless specifically approved, in writing by the Harbour Master.

64. Access to West India and Millwall Docks

64.1. Access is only permitted subject to Master's and Owners binding themselves to abide by the terms and conditions and byelaws relating to vessels entering, using or leaving the West India and Millwall Docks.

64.2. Masters and Owners are to comply with these Directions. Booking is detailed at Annex E.

64.3. They are also required to comply with, but not limited to, Oil Response Plan, Port Waste Management Plan, the requirements, where applicable to the International Ship, Port Facility Security Regulations and to all relevant general, marine (MCA, HSE, PSS) and Canal and River Trust legislation, regulation, guides and good practice.

64.4. All vessels may be the subject of a security check conducted by the Trust or other agencies as directed by the Police HMRC, MCA or the Trust.

64.5. Nothing in these Directions negates the responsibility of the Owner or Master for the responsibility of their vessel and the navigation thereof. Masters and Owners are to have a berth-to-berth navigation plan when approaching, entering, operating in or leaving West India and Millwall docks.

64.6. Permission to enter. Lock passage will only be granted to vessels who have entered into a commercial arrangement committing to the terms and conditions: vessels whose permanent moorings lie within WID have separate arrangements.

64.7. In certain cases, where deemed appropriate, the Harbour Master, at his/her sole discretion may require an appropriate, proportionate bond to permit entry.

64.8. Vessels will be required to produce, to the Harbour Master, evidence of suitable insurance, which are always to be maintained whilst in the Docks.

64.9. The policy must cover at least third-party liability up to £4 million including coverage against foundering, salvage and wreck removal claims and must be provided by a company that is authorised and regulated by the Financial Services Authority of the United Kingdom.

65. Procedure for Entering and Berthing in West India and Millwall Docks.

65.1. Principles are as follows:

- Other than for Trust licenced boat owners, 1 weeks' notice (5 working days') is required.
- Licenced boat owners and commercial owners based in the port; 2 working days' notice is required.

- Exceptions are of course possible, yet at the sole discretion of the Trust.
- 65.2. Opening times are:
- 0800-1600, movements as the tidal window permits
 - Weekend movements, 0800-1500, as the tidal window permits, staffing level permitting.
- 65.3. Operating outside these times will incur overtime charges.
- 65.4. The tidal window is defined as High Water +/- 4 hours: larger vessels will have to moderate this window to the available water depth at the lock sill.
- 65.5. Entry may be denied through several reasons:
- Vessel steering and main machinery defects.
 - Construction operations in and around the water system.
 - Other prearranged vessel movements.
 - And other reasonable circumstances as the Harbour Master deems fit.
- 65.6. The procedure for booking locking times and berths is at Annex E.
- 65.7. The procedure for entering and transiting West India Lock is at Annex E: in summary, vessels:
- Vessels entering West India Lock are not to enter the Bellmouth without permission, and are:
 - To secure properly alongside within the lock minimum 2 lines.
 - Not to propel, unless given permission, or in an emergency.
 - Not to transit until permission is given.

66. Movement within the Docks, winding and towing

- 66.1. Unless previously agreed with the Harbour Master, programmed, and published, vessels are not to move unless the Master considers it an emergency. Masters or Owners wishing to move their vessel outside of a published programme are to seek and achieve written Harbour Masters approval before moving.
- 66.2. There is to be no movement between the hours of sunset and sunrise.
- 66.3. Winding ship/Towing maybe approved by the Harbour Master following oversight of a Risk Assessed Method Statement (RAMS).

67. Berths, Non-Dock Mooring and Berth Changes

- 67.1. The type of berths available varies between the basins within the port:
- 67.2. Blackwall and Poplar Basins are for residential moorings only: for berths in Blackwall, application should be made through the Harbour Master, for Poplar, though <http://www.aquavista.com>. Passage to Blackwall and Poplar Basins requires bridge lifts for which 1 working days' notice is required.
- 67.3. South Dock sees commercial and recreational moorings east of Wilkinson Footbridge: Thames Quay can accommodate vessels up to 150m, Wood Wharf Quay vessels up to 100m. Both quays are serviced by electricity and water. The electricity supply varies between berths.

67.4. Millwall Inner and Outer are residential, and recreational with some business berths: services are limited and application to the Harbour Master will explain what and where. Passage to Millwall Inner and Outer requires bridge lifts for which 1 working days' notice is required.

67.5. Where the Trust consent is given to mooring within the port, Masters are informed that two mooring permits maybe required. This is very much dependent on the rational, time and type of mooring system to be deployed: the Environment Agency (EA) or Marine Management Organisation (MMO) may require consultation if not agency authorisation. Masters should consult the Harbour Master early before planning such an operation.

67.6. Masters wishing to change berth are to make application to the Harbour Master through Marine Control 1 working day before the intended move. Should the move require a bridge lift, 2 working days is required. Application does not signal approval to move.

67.7. There are no NAABSA (Not always afloat but safely aground) berths within the port.

68. Bellmouth Restrictions and Dangers

68.1. The Bellmouth entrance runs, roughly, perpendicular to the run of the tide. Slack water at the Bellmouth varies on the state of the tidal cycle and Masters are to plan for this.

68.2. The Bellmouth is subject to siltation: Masters should apply to the Harbour Master for the most recent survey if in doubt: Masters are to apply no later than when giving notice for a move.

68.3. Severe turbulence is likely within the Bellmouth when sluices are being operated: Masters are to keep clear.

68.4. Mooring or lying alongside the Bellmouth wall or Pier is prohibited.

69. Notices to Dock Users

69.1. Masters are to ensure that they have full information on the current Notices to Dock Users: copies are available from Marine Control, and on the West India and Millwall Dock web page.

70. Licences

70.1. Various licences are required to operate in the Docks: information can be obtained through the Harbour Master. It is recommended early engagement before business plans; vessel purchases are secured.

70.2. Licences include, but not exclusive to:

- Recreational
- Commercial
- Residential
- Third Party Works
- Art/display/sporting event

71. Registration of vessels

71.1. All power driven vessels, and vessels over 5m based within the port are to be registered with the Harbour Masters office.

72. Stakeholder Forum

72.1. The Trust ensures that consultation with port users and stakeholders takes place through regular documented meetings. Meetings will take place annually.

72.2. Stakeholders meet, online Wednesday to establish a weekly programme and to ensure activity deconfliction.

72.3. Regular users of the port, commercial and recreational are welcome to attend a deconfliction meeting, online, Mondays at 1130. This will be a 15-minute meeting where the weeks programme can be shared.

73. Multi Use of the lock side, West India lock.

73.1. There is no automatic right of entry to the Lock side.

73.2. Entry for any organisation, other than those which have a formal agreement with the Trust, for specific periods is on a permissions basis. Permissions are to be sought a week prior to entry, together with the intent, and risk assessment.

73.3. Various agencies have access to the lock side for various uses: each and every organisation carries its own risk assessment. Note that compliance with leases, licences and or contracts is part of the wider safety management system

ANNEX A

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND CHARGES (as of 1 Jan 2023- 1 April 2024)

BRIDGES

- Blue Bridge raising is included in the locking in/out fee

LOCK

- Lock hire £1000 per day (0800-1500), includes Blue Bridge Lift, this does not include the locking in/out charge.

MOORING CHARGES

- Craft, under 25m, £70 per night
- Trust Licence holders, £50 per night,
- Leisure vessels £40 per metre per week or part there of
- Commercial vessels £100 per metre per week

SERVICES

- Electricity: charges on application
- Water £200, connection and per week
- Ship Pontoon £500 per week or part there of
- Lock side space hire £40 per m2 per week or part there of (see note 1)
- Other than specific organisations with formal leases/arrangements, no parking lock side outside the designated parking areas

<u>LOA (m)</u>	<u>Charge (£)</u>	<u>LOA (m)</u>	<u>Charge (£)</u>
0-10	380	55-60	2800
10-15	400	60-65	3100
15-20	590	65-70	3320
20-25	920	70-75	3470
25-30	1200	75-80	3700
30-35	1750	80-85	4000
35-40	1940	85-90	4600
40-45	2310	90-100	5310
45-50	2350	100-120	6000
50-55	2594	120-140	8700
		140 plus	10600

- Parking for ships on Thames and South Quay is limited should not be assumed and agreed by prior arrangement.

LOCKING CHARGES

Where a vessel's Length Over All (LOA – includes bowsprit) is an exact number (or) the lower charge will apply. Locking charge is entry and exit, includes a Blue Bridge lift and linesmen.

Notes

1. Hazmat will only be stored if in authorised and licenced containers and following COSHH Direction. Appropriate documentation is to be submitted with application.

ANNEX B

WEST INDIA AND MILLWALL DOCK SYSTEM

RELATIVE/INDICATIVE DOCK AND RIVER LEVELS

HEIGHT OF QUAY WALLS (GENERALLY)	8.58m	above CD	5.23m	above ODN
FULL IMPOUND LEVEL	7.58M		4.23m	
MHWS	7.0m		3.65m	
TRINITY HIGH WATER	6.825m		3.475m	
MHWN	5.9m		2.55m	
ORDNANCE DATUM NEWLYN	3.35m		0m	
MLWN	1.5m		1.85m	Below ODN
MIN DEPTH, LOCK OPERATION	0.91m		2.44m	
MLWS	0.5m		2.85m	
CHART DATUM	0M		3.35m	
NORTH DOCK BED LEVEL	2.01m	Below CD	5.365m	
Cill	3.84m		7.19m	

ANNEX C

LOCK, DOCK AND BRIDGE DIMENSIONS

Notes

1. Limiting depths: other than West India Locks and the Bellmouth, the depths shown are indicative: The Trust does not survey the port.
2. Air Draughts are at full impound level
3. Passage through Wilkinson's Bridge is prohibited

<u>CUTTINGS AND PASSAGES</u>	<u>LIMITING WIDTH</u>	<u>LIMITING DEPTH (note1)</u>
Millwall Cutting	23m	3.5m
Millwall bridge	11m	3.5m
Glengall Bridge	11m	3.5m
Heron Quay Canal (when open)	9.7m	2.4m
Bellmouth Passage	15m	4.4m
Blackwall Cutting	18.1m	9.6m
Eastern Access Bridge	13m	9.6m
Poplar cutting	12.1m	7m
West India Quay Footbridge	11m	8.5.
Wilkinson's Bridge (note 3)	10m	5m

AIRDRAUGHTS (note 2)

AREA	BRIDGES	AIRDRAUGHT
West India Lock	Blue Bridge	HoT dependant
Millwall Cutting	Marshwall Road Bridge	1.2m
Millwall Inner	DLR	8.2m
Millwall Inner/Outer	Glengall Bridge	Sides 1m Middle 2.1m
Blackwall Basin	Eastern Access Bridge	Sides 6m Middle 7.5m

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Centre Branch DLR	Centre Branch DLR	Piles 6.67 Central 8.2m
North Dock DLR	North Branch DLR	Piles 6.67 Centre 8.2m
Middle Dock (Heron Quay Canal)	Bank Street	1.5m
West India Quay	North Branch Foot Bridge	2.95m
North Dock	Upper Bank Street Bridge	4.5m
South Dock	Wilkinson's Foot Bridge	3.85
South Dock	DLR	Piles 6.67m Centre 8.2m
Bellmouth Passage	Colonnade Road Bridges (2)	Both 5.36m
Bellmouth Passage	Colonnade Foot Bridges (N)	5.36m
Bellmouth Passage	Colonnade Foot Bridges (S)	5.36m
Bellmouth Passage	Lower-Level Foot Bridge	2.93m
Bellmouth Passage	Water Street Draw Bridge also known as Montgomery Bridge	3m
CrossRail Passage	CrossRail double pedestrian foot bridge (westerly bridge)	0.8m

ANNEX D

OIL TRANSFER – SAFETY CHECKLIST AND DELIVERY RECORD; WEST INDIA AND MILLWALL DOCK

Reference: West India and Millwall Dock OPRC Plan, MSMS (Pt 3) Harbour Directions, 50.3

Supplying Company		Address	
Supply Vessel		IMO Number	
Receiving Vessel		IMO Number	
Agent		Berth	
Date		Start/Stop time	
Quantity Delivered		MGO/IFO	

Checklist to be completed by the persons responsible for the transfer of oil to the vessel before the transfer commences.

		Supply Vehicle	Receiving Vessel
1	Is the vessel moored safely?		
2	Is there safe access between vessel/vessel and the shore?		
3	Are "NO SMOKING" requirements being observed		
4	Can the vessel receive the total quantity to be delivered?		
5	Is the correct fire-fighting equipment readily available?		
6	Is there an agreed communication procedure?		
7	Have the procedures for pumping been agreed?		
8	Have the emergency shutdown procedures been agreed?		
9	Are the delivery hoses securely rigged and free from twists?		
10	Does the bunker connection have the correct gasket?		
11	Are the bunker hoses secured properly?		
12	Are both vessel's scuppers plugged?		
13	What is the agreed pump rate?		
14	Are both vessels compliant with the port OPRC and Harbour Master Directions		

Declaration: he items on the above list for our respective vehicle/vessel and have satisfied ourselves that the entries we have made are correct to the best of our knowledge.

For supply vehicle	For receiving vessel
Name	Name

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Signature	Signature
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The completed form is to be delivered to Marine Control prior to the vessel's departure.

ANNEX E

BOOKING AND ENTERING WEST INDIA LOCK AND BERTHING WITHIN WEST INDIA AND MILLWALL DOCKS

Notes:

Access is only permitted subject to Masters and Owners binding themselves to abide by the terms and conditions and byelaws relating to vessels entering, using, or leaving the West India and Millwall Docks.

Masters and Owners are to comply with these Regulations specifically having a berth-to-berth plan from Lock to berth and vice versa.

Two working days written notice is required to book bridge lifts and lock operations. Rush hours are to be avoided, weekdays: 0800-0900: 1630-1800.

Time of lock entry is the time the Blue Bridge will be lifted (if applicable)

Passage booking is to be made by email to: WID.HarbourMaster@canalrivertrust.org.uk

The email is to state (as applicable).

The response acknowledging the request and giving times will also give the estimated cost: this will be the basis of the invoice which will be automatically sent where payment is required within 10 working days of dispatch.

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Name of vessel		Owner		
IMO number	Flag	Last Port		
Dimensions	LOA	BOA	Air Draught	GRT
Requested ETA		Intended ETD		
Requested berth				
Services	Water	Power	Grey Water (not avail on all berths)	
Agent	Agent Address			
Billing Company				
Billing Address				

ANNEX F

COMMUNICATIONS

- Harbour Master/Deputy Harbour Master/Assistant Harbour Master:
 - Weekdays, 0900-1700: 0207517557/559/555
 - (Note office is not continuously manned)
 - WID.HarbourMaster@canalrivertrust.org.uk
- Canal and River Trust
 - Enquiries: 0303 0404040
 - Emergencies: 0800 4799947
 - Enquiries.londonsoutheast@canalrivertrust.org.uk
 - <https://canalrivertrust.org.uk>
- West India Marine Control
 - VHF Channel 13, manned 30 mins before planned moves
- West India Lock Side (line handlers)
 - VHF Channel 13

Annex G

WEST INDIA AND MILLWALL DOCKS, TOWAGE

1. When operations involving barges, and or, towage of vessels greater than 10m are undertaken the agent or barge operator is to complete method statement, tow plan, in advance.
2. For the purposes of this procedure the definition of “barges” includes vessels without power and with or without crew.
3. The Trust will not give authorisation for the movement of a tow until the tow plan has been fully completed by the operator and then approved by the Duty Harbour Master. Note that The Trust reserves the right not to proceed with a towage operation if the details are found to be incorrect.
4. Agents and operators of barges are reminded that only tugs authorised by The Trust can undertake towage operations within West India and Millwall Docks.
5. The agent or barge operator is to refer to The PLA Towage Guidelines and may consult with the relevant Harbour Master, or Deputy to assist in the completion of the method statement.
6. Notwithstanding the definitions above, should the Harbour Master reasonably require a tow plan for any tow, the operator or owner shall comply.
7. Supporting diagrams of the barge arrangement, and or, towage configuration, plus any additional information for which there is no room on the form should be attached. This pro-forma does not negate the need for a Risk Assessment and the operator remains responsible for ensuring compliance with all the relevant regulations, laws, and statutes.

Towage Form

Date:

Movement Type: Arrival

Departure

Shift

1.0 Details		
1.1	Name of Agent (or person acting as agent) and 24-hour contact number	
1.2	Name & IMO number of Lead Tug, or towing vessel	
1.3	Name & IMO number of barges:	
1.4	Tug or towing vessel dimensions:	
1.5	Barge or towed vessel Dimensions:	

1.6	Approximate Deadweight if known:	
1.7	Visibility restrictions e.g., cargo, rigging	
1.8	Details of overhangs:	
1.9	Company supplying rigging crew:	
1.10	Are supporting diagrams attached? E.g., towage configuration?	
1.11	Summary of the operation	

2.0 Access/Boarding

2.1	What safe means of access has been provided for the rigging crew?	
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3.0 Rigging Crew Details

3.1	What vessels being used for the rigging crew to board/disembark the barge?	
3.2	Contact number for rigging crew supervisor: (24 hour)	
3.3	How many in the rigging crew?	
3.4	State arrangements for recovery and streaming of emergency towline:	

4.0 Tugs

4.1	Name of tug or towing vessel:	
4.2	Harbour Master confirms tug suitability for the job:	
4.3	At what location will they be made fast?	
4.4	At what location will they be let go?	
4.5	How will the tugs or towing vessel be made fast? Please specify- e.g., single line or bridle.	
4.6	Outline the arrangements that are in place and the method to be used for recovery of the bridle?	

5.0 General

5.1	Does barge or towed vessel have adequate lighting for	
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	rigging crew? If answer is 'no', please state temporary lighting arrangement.	
5.2	Are there any other restrictions due to darkness?	
5.3	Have all watertight compartments of the barge /vessel been checked?	
5.4	Maximum weather parameters:	

6.0 Alongside		
6.1	Has a berthing plan and position been agreed with the berth operator and all other parties involved?	
6.2	How will shore party communicate with barge?	
6.3	Name and contact number for responsible person ashore including emergency contact:	
6.4	Have linesmen been organised?	
6.5	How will mooring be tendered whilst alongside?	
6.6	How will the barge/vessel be accessed from the dockside?	
6.7	Name and 24-hour contact number of person responsible for barge/towed vessel while alongside:	

9.0 Sign off

Person completing the form
I confirm all the details provided are accurate and correct to the best of my knowledge

Signature

Name (print)

Date & Time

Duty Harbour Master
I confirm all the details have been discussed and agreed with relevant Harbour Master, Duty Pilot and Berth Operator

Signature

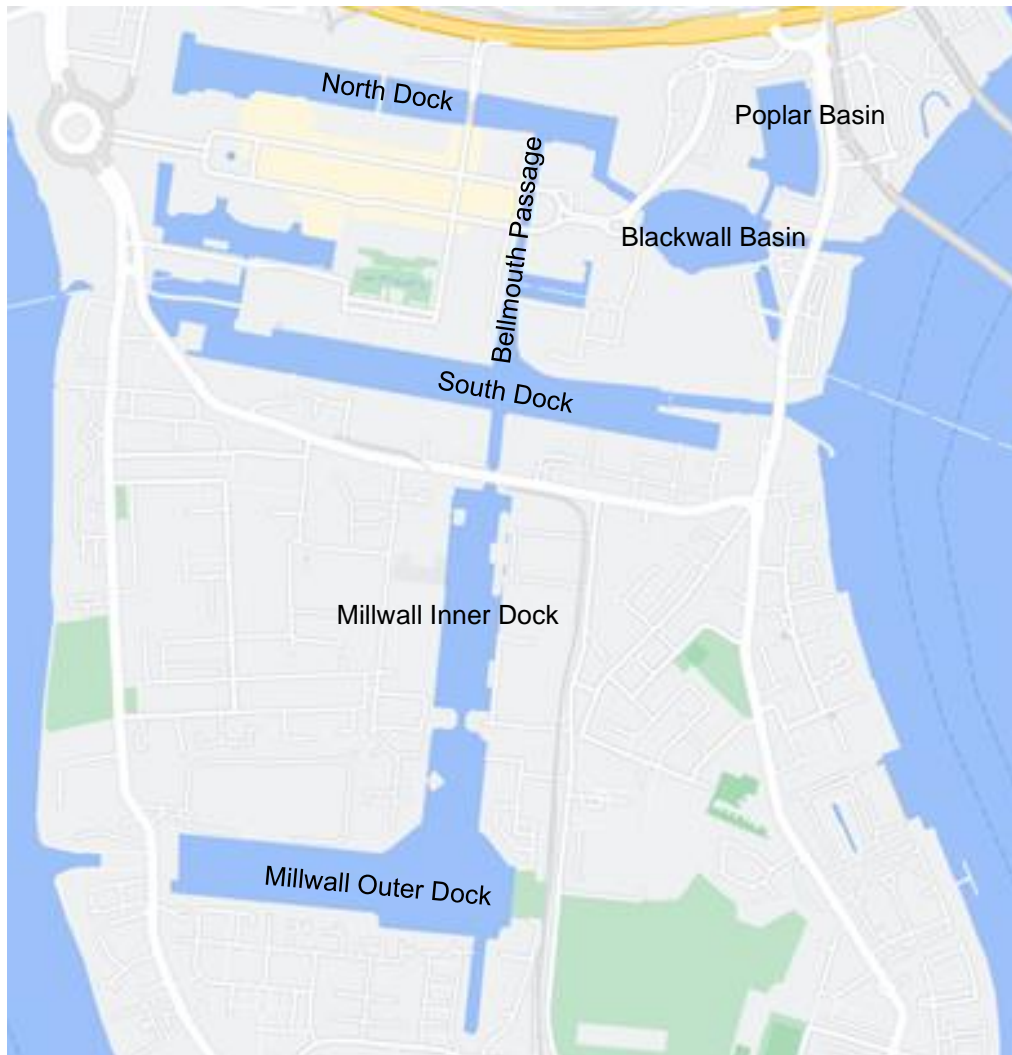
Name (print)

Date & Time

Annex H

West India and Millwall Dock System

Not to be used for navigation



Annex I

RESIDENTIAL MOORING WITHIN WEST INDIA AND MILLWALL DOCKS,

The number of houseboats within the West India and Millwall Docks continues to grow: currently there are moorings in Millwall Inner and Outer, and the Blackwall and Poplar Basins. Those in the Poplar Basin are managed by Aquavista. Poplar Basin lies within the Statutory Harbour Authority jurisdiction.

Safety first

Anyone who lives aboard a boat must be familiar with its individual characteristics and those of the mooring facility used. The following guidance is general in nature to protect life, the environment, property, and your quality of life.

Ensure you have appropriate personal rescue equipment

Store all items on board securely, internally, and externally. Ensure pollutants are enclosed, and where appropriate banded. Secure storage prevents damage and potential pollution incidents for which the authorities can and do prosecute.

Ensure adequate fendering: this protects your vessel and the mooring from heavy contact from passing vessels.

Moorings

Ensure your vessel is secured properly: a minimum of head and stern lines, together with springs are recommended.

Inspections & Insurance

Typically, houseboats have an out-of-water inspection every five to 10 years, to check on the condition of the hull. It is usually an insurance requirement: a marine surveyor will generally attend and supply you with a report. The vessel may need to be lifted out of the water, put into a dry dock, or taken to a drying out berth.

Dependant on the vessel, it can be moved under its own power, or towed to an appropriate facility: for details, please refer to the wider Harbour Regulations and Guidelines.

Usually, insurance conditions include that a vessel is maintained to a minimum state, please refer to your specific insurance policy. A lack of survey, or a lack of routine and sensible maintenance, operative bilge pump, automatic if the vessel is unattended, has been found to negate insurance.

The Harbour Authority will check survey certification from time to time.

Moving the vessel under its own power

Few houseboats navigate frequently, therefore, it is vital check your vessel thoroughly in advance. If you are unsure of the material state, or your competency to navigate, seek a certificated surveyor or licenced, insured, delivery Master (temporary captain). Ensure you Comply to the Harbour Regulations and Guidance.

