



Warrenpoint Harbour Authority
Notice to Mariners
No. 3 of 2018

Navigational Guidance Changes When Navigating in Reduced Visibility

Warrenpoint Harbour Authority hereby gives notice of the following with effective immediately:

- (1) When visibility is less than 0.3 nautical miles the port will be closed to all ships over 47.5 meters length and all ships carrying dangerous goods or marine pollutants in bulk.
- (2) When visibility is less than 0.5 nautical miles ships must not pass each other in the channel and a one-way traffic system will be established. Direct of Traffic will be determined and communicated by "Warrenpoint Harbour Radio".
- (3) Vessels not fitted with operational radar should not navigate within the port and/or approaches when, visibility is less than 0.5 nautical miles.
- (4) If visibility becomes less than 0.5 nautical inward vessels should carefully consider aborting their approach to the Warrenpoint Channel.
- (6) If visibility becomes less than 0.5 nautical, outward vessels should carefully consider remaining alongside until visibility improves.
- (7) When due to fog, mist, snow, rain, dust, smoke or other cause, visibility is less than 0.5 nautical miles no towage operations will be permitted within Warrenpoint Harbour and its approaches.
- (8) In conditions of visibility less than 2 nautical miles, there shall be one vessel only, irrespective of direction, in the Warrenpoint Channel. Any other vessel shall wait until the Channel is confirmed as clear of shipping before proceeding to enter.

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