

and the signal stations at North Queensferry, Dockyard and Charlestown will repeat this signal. All other vessels, craft and boats of every description under way are to keep out of the way of the said ship flying the "O" flag or Union flag as the case may be, provided always the said ship shall be navigated with due care and moderate speed, and that she shall so far as possible be kept on that side of the channel which lies to her own starboard side.

Letter "O" flag is yellow and red, diagonal.

By Night.—The signal stations mentioned above will hoist—

Two red lights for an inward bound vessel.

Three red lights for an outward bound vessel.

Section IV.

PILOTS AND PILOTAGE.

It will be compulsory for all vessels to have a licensed pilot on board when navigating the Firth of Forth. Incoming vessels will pick up the pilot from the pilot vessel, which will be found in the vicinity of the green buoy situated 212° (*S. 50^{\circ} W. Mag.*), $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Elieness. Should she be driven off her station she will be found at Inchkeith.

Outward bound vessels from ports west of Inchkeith are to discharge their pilot at the cutter.

A uniform landing fee of 8s. (eight shillings) is to be paid by every pilot landed from the motor boat or other vessel which is provided by the Admiralty for the purpose of conveying pilots to and from the Pilotage station.

The pilot is hereby authorised to recover this fee from the master, owner or agent of each vessel piloted.

Section V.

CAUTION AS TO ANCHORING.

No merchant vessel, craft or boat of any description is to make fast to or lay at any dolphins or structure of the Boom Defences.

No vessel is permitted to anchor within the limits of the Dockyard Port without the permission of the King's Harbour Master.

If unavoidably obliged to do so, care must be taken to keep well clear of the fairway and of H.M. Ships at anchor or moored.

Section VI.

HEAVY GUN FIRING BY H.M. SHIPS—SPECIAL DIRECTIONS.

H.M. Ships exercising in the Firth of Forth.—When any of H.M. Ships are carrying out full calibre firing to the eastward of Inchkeith, a red ball over a red burgee will be hoisted at Inchkeith. All shipping is then to follow the track as detailed below.

Outward Bound.—Pass close eastward of a red conical buoy moored $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile east-north-eastward of Kinghorn ness, then steer 42° (*N. 60^{\circ} E. Mag.*) until Buchhaven light is abeam. Then steer eastward to pass close to and northward and eastward of a buoy situated about $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles west-south-westward of Ruddons point, thence steer 102° (*S. 60^{\circ} E. Mag.*) to pass one cable south of a green conical light and whistle-buoy moored about south-westward, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Elieness light, then follow the usual track to pass north of May island.

The reverse track should be followed by incoming traffic.

Variation.— $18^{\circ} W.$

Note.

This Notice is a revision of the former Notice quoted above.

CAUTION.

This Admiralty Notice to Mariners is issued under the provisions of the Defence of the Realm (Consolidation) Regulations, 1914, and failure to comply strictly with the directions contained in it will constitute an offence against these Regulations.

Any person found guilty of such an offence is liable to severe penalties both of imprisonment and fine.

Any person aiding or abetting the commission of such an offence is himself guilty of an offence against the Regulations.

Attention is also drawn to the fact that any infringement of the directions contained in this Admiralty Notice to Mariners is liable to result in the detention of the ship or vessel.

(*Notice No. 853 of 1919.*)

Authority.—The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty. (*H. 3099/19.*)

By Command of their Lordships,

J. F. PARRY,
Hydrographer of the Navy.

Admiralty, London,
25th April 1919.

ADMIRALTY NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 854 of the year 1919.

SCOTLAND, EAST COAST.

FIRTH OF FORTH, WEST OF INCHKEITH—NOTICE TO TRAWLER OWNERS AND SKIPPERS OF TRAWLERS.

Former Notice.—No. 123 of 1918; hereby cancelled.

Notice is given that the regulations concerning trawlers working from ports in the Firth of Forth west of Inchkeith, published in the former Notice quoted above under the Defence of the Realm Regulations, are no longer in force.

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