

Greater Wellington Regional Council

Harbourmaster's Direction 3/2019

Vessels over 500 GRT not to enter Harbour limits

1. Preamble

This direction is issued pursuant to section 33F of the Maritime Transport Act 1994. Vessels over 500 GRT are not to enter within Wellington Harbour/Pilotage limits unless under the direction of a Pilot. This is to comply with Maritime Rule Part 90 and avoid congestion with other vessels at the Harbour entrance.

2. Application

This direction applies to all vessels over 500 GRT that are not under the command of a holder of a current Pilot Exemption Certificate for Wellington.

3. Navigation Requirements

Any vessel either approaching Wellington either:

- intending to enter the Harbour, or
- approaching to register their arrival,

shall not enter within Harbour/ Pilotage Limit unless in direct communication with their Pilot and the Pilot is intending to imminently board the vessel.

4. Area Concerned

This affects the approaches to Wellington Harbour. The Harbour/Pilotage limit is as shown on Charts NZ463 or NZ4633 or their electronic equivalent.

5. Liability

Greater Wellington Regional Council shall not, in any case, be responsible for any loss or damage arising from the negligence of the master or crew of any vessel to which this direction applies, or for any loss, damage or incident involving the vessel.



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