

## **NOTICE TO MARINERS**

**No 34(T) of 2017**

### **Port of Southampton**

#### **Maritime Safety Information VHF Radio Channels**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** jointly with QHM Portsmouth that, in accordance with recently issued guidance from the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, as of Wednesday 6 September 2017, HM Coastguard has been using VHF Channels 62, 63 or 64 to broadcast Maritime Safety Information (MSI) and conduct radio medical advice.

The use of VHF Channel 10 for MSI backup and pollution control (back up) is unchanged.

Mariners are furthermore reminded that in the eastern Solent, the majority of transiting shipping is monitoring QHM Harbour Control on VHF channel 11 and/or VTS Southampton on VHF channel 12 and may be doing so in lieu of monitoring VHF channel 16. These channels may be used for hailing shipping if required to do so for maritime safety reasons such as traffic de-confliction.

Cancel this LNTM 31 December 2017.

**Vessel Traffic Services Centre  
Ocean Gate, Atlantic Way  
Southampton**

**Captain M Phipps  
Harbour Master**

14<sup>th</sup> September 2017

**Owners, Agents, Charterers, Marinas, Yacht Clubs and Recreational Sailing Organisations should ensure that the contents of this Notice are made known to the masters or persons in charge of their vessels or craft.**