

PILOTAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE WORKING GROUP

Proposed Amendments to the Berthing Guidelines for Discussion

Purpose

The purpose of this paper is to seek members' advice and comments on proposed amendments to the Berthing Guidelines (BGL) as illustrated in the working document for the preparation of a new edition of BGL.

Proposed Amendments

2. The whole BLG has been reviewed and proposed amendments include taking a uniform approach in format and presentation of information; and re-organizing the paragraphs presented in different chapters so that related materials are linked together in the same chapter. The gist of proposed changes are as follows:-

a. Chapter 1, Content

Expanded to include a list of abbreviations used in the BGL.

b. Chapter 2, General

(i) Included a purpose statement of the BGL group; and

(ii) Expanded to include useful information on general remarks, under-keel clearance, time of operation and Ma Wan transit tidal window.

c. Chapter 3, Berthing Remarks

(i) Re-organized previous chapter 4; and

- (ii) Updated and trimmed away duplicated information.
- d. Chapter 4, Guidelines on Tug Requirements
 - (i) A major revision to previous chapter 3;
 - (ii) Expanded to include descriptions of general requirements on tugs used for port operation; and
 - (iii) More detailed descriptions on grades of tugs and their general applications for container vessels, taking into consideration of the result of the tug simulation and views of tug operators.
- e. Chapter 5, Tug information
 - (i) Re-organization of previous chapter 6 with updated information; and
 - (ii) Included a general statement on the method on listing of tug.
- f. Chapter 6, Floating Docks information
Re-numbered from previous chapter 7.
- g. Chapter 7, Berth/Wharf/Terminal Information
 - (i) Re-numbered from previous chapter 8; and
 - (ii) Updated the information.
- h. Chapter 8, Government Mooring Buoy
 - (i) Re-numbered from previous chapter 11; and
 - (ii) Updated the information.
- i. Chapter 9, Tropical Cyclone (Typhoon) Procedure
No change.
- j. Chapter 10, Miscellaneous
Information updated.
- k. Chapter 11, List of Useful Contacts

- (i) Re-numbered from previous chapter 5; and
- (ii) Updated and included more contact information.

1. Chapter 12, Berthing Guidelines

- (i) Aligned to a uniform format in the presentation of data;
- (ii) Trimmed away duplicated information with those contained in chapter 1 to 11; and
- (iii) Insertion of BGL for KTCT berth no.2 and KTCT no.2 outer-foul.

Presentation

3. The working document will be tabled in the meeting for discussion. MO/Pilotage, Mr. George YK Tang, will present the working document and illustrate the proposed changes for members' advice and comments.

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