

# FOWEY HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS



## LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS

**LNTM 2020/05**

### **Fowey – COVID-19 Precautions**

The threat posed by the COVID-19 pandemic is a serious concern. Masters of vessels should follow national procedures on reporting where illness has been identified on board or where crew have been in contact with someone with COVID-19. For commercial vessels this will be the completion of a Maritime Declaration of Health (MDH) submitted to the Port Health Authority via the Ship's Agent.

Fowey Harbour Commissioners have taken steps to ensure both commercial Pilots and staff are healthy before boarding any vessel. There is also the need to ensure that ships are a safe environment for them. To mitigate the threat of COVID-19 transmission, the following specific measures are to be taken prior to pilot embarkation:

- Within the one hour prior to boarding, wipe down the whole bridge with a suitable disinfectant solution (including instruments, chairs, helm, handrails, consoles, telegraphs, windows, chart table etc.)
- Do not shake hands
- Any crew members entering the bridge, or who may come in contact with the Pilot, should sanitize their hands
- Only essential personnel should be allowed in the wheelhouse whilst the Pilot is embarked.

The measures for countering the spread of COVID-19 are continuously under revision by HM Government and vessels should monitor national advice where possible.

Harbour Master  
17 March 2020

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**CCTV, VHF and Radar surveillance is in operation in Fowey Harbour.**

**Recorded footage and audio may be used in evidence to prosecute byelaw offenders.**