

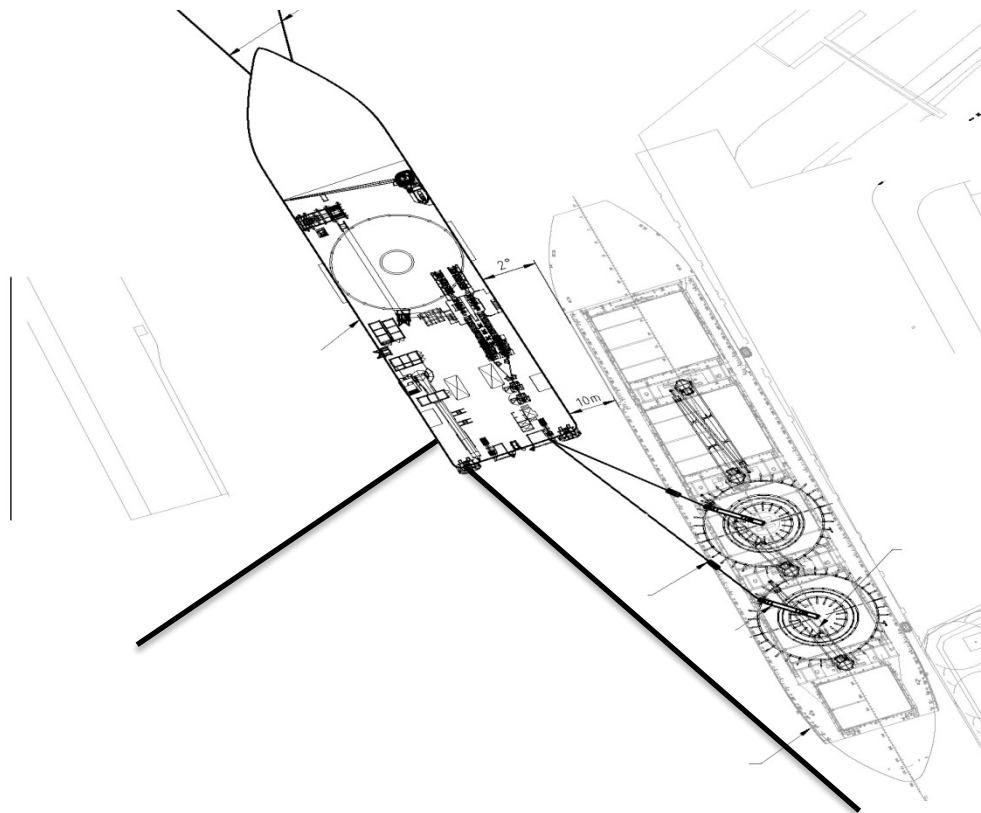
NOTICE TO MARINERS NO 01 OF 2018

Complex Ship to Ship Cable Spooling – Battleship Wharf.

All mariners and North Blyth Harbour users are to be advised that complex Ship to Ship Sub-Sea Cable transfer operations will be conducted at Battleship Wharf quays for a period of approximately 5-7 days as from Sunday 8th April 2018.

The 177m LOA bulk carrier Mv Global Round will be berthed at BSW4 with the 138m LOA cable installation Vessel Mv Maersk Connector berthed outside / alongside the Mv Global Round to the Northern end of the berthing area.

The Mv Maersk Connector shall deploy 4 anchor cables; 2 leading forward, 2 aft;



These anchor cables shall not be under tension unless required in an emergency, the Mv Maersk Connector shall operate on its Dynamic Positioning system throughout the cable spooling operation.

Whilst berthed away from other commercial shipping the cable spooling operation may cause minor disruption to small craft passing between the Mv Maersk Connector and the West Staithes; as such due care should be taken by all craft passing; giving a wide berth as possible at all times.

Small craft should also be aware and take into account the Mv Maersk Connector's thruster wash when passing between the ship and West staithes pier.

All vessels shall observe the Harbour Masters directions at all times and exercise patience / caution as required when operating in and around the Cable spooling operation.

All operations are subject to safe weather operating conditions; spooling operation timings may be subject to change.

Please contact Blyth Port Control - VHF Ch12 & 01670357020 for the latest information.

Further information can be obtained through the Harbour Masters Office at the Port of Blyth;

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