



NOTICE TO INDUSTRY

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District: St John, NB

Subject: Pilot Boarding Location - Cruise Vessels

Details:

The Vision of the Atlantic Pilotage Authority is to be a respected leader in marine pilotage safeguarding people, property and the environment. To achieve this, the Authority must demonstrate marine expertise in the field of marine navigation and safety, thereby maintaining an industry-leading safety record.

For the 2019 season and going forward, inbound Cruise Ship traffic in Saint John Harbour, **all Cruise Ships at or above 25,000 GRT are requested to embark a licensed pilot at the Outer pilot boarding station, Located on CHS Chart# 4116 (position 45°09.08'N / 66°04.8'W).**

The outer pilot station is referenced in the *Atlantic Pilotage Authority Regulations, Section 4.3 (1)* as a compulsory Pilotage Area for Tankers and Liquid Natural Gas Carriers, however the APA have determined that in order to facilitate the necessary time for a concise Master - Pilot exchange, use of the outer station will allow the greatest margin of safety to be achieved. This solution will not result in any scheduling or cost impact to vessel operators and other industry stakeholders.

We thank you for your cooperation in maintaining the highest standards of safety possible by ensuring compliance with this request.

If there are any questions or concerns with the contents of this notice, please contact the Operations Department of the APA at operations@atlanticpilotage.com.

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St John Harbour Outer Pilot Station

Figure 1

