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QUEEN'S HARBOUR MASTER PORTSMOUTH
Central Solent - Alpha Anchorage - Notification of Temporary
Exclusion Zone around MV Hoegh Osaka

DIRECTION No 1/15

1. Mariners are advised that the Queens Harbour Master has made the following General Direction under the Dockyard Port of Portsmouth Order 2005, effective immediately until further notice. Following the refloating of MV Hoegh Osaka and its move to the vicinity of Alpha Anchorage in the central Solent (approx 50 46.84N 001 14.90W), a Temporary Exclusion Zone (TEZ) is established on the vessel. The TEZ extends to a distance of 300 metres from the extremities of the vessel and only those vessels specifically exempted may enter the TEZ.
2. Initially, the vessel will be held in position by tugs and will thus not be in a stationary position. It is stressed that the TEZ is based on the vessel and not on an absolute position. This is to allow manoeuvring of the vessel as required for the salvage operation.
3. Tugs and other support craft will be in attendance in the vicinity of the vessel and will illuminate it during the hours of darkness.
4. This TEZ is established both to ensure salvage operations can continue without hindrance and also to ensure the safety of other marine users.
5. The Marine Officer in charge of the Southampton Patrol is hereby delegated powers to give special directions to enforce the TEZ. Mariners are advised that a failure to comply with this General Direction is a criminal offence.
6. This General Direction will remain in force until MV Hoegh Osaka is moved away from Alpha Anchorage, when it will be formally cancelled.

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