

General Direction No: 15¹

Restriction of access to Jersey ports and anchorages by Russian Vessels.

General

On 1st March 2022, Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom implemented a series of Maritime Sanctions against the Russian Federation following its invasion of the Ukraine.

The Government of Jersey simultaneously decided to implement an equivalent series of measures relating to the ports, anchorages, and Territorial Waters of the Bailiwick of Jersey, and issued the Harbour Authority and Harbour Master with instructions to implement the following measures.

This General Direction is therefore issued with immediate effect.

1. Definitions: The restrictions below apply to vessels where it is known or there is reasonable cause to suspect that any of the following categories applies:

- (a) a ship owned, controlled, chartered or operated by a designated person, (a named individual designated by the Minister of ETDSC as subject to sanctions).
- (b) a ship owned, controlled, chartered or operated by persons connected with Russia,

For clarity: 'A person connected with Russia' means:

- i) an individual who is ordinarily resident in Russia
 - ii) an individual who is located in Russia
 - iii) a person, other than an individual, which is incorporated or constituted under the Law of Russia
 - or iv) a person, other than an individual, which is domiciled in Russia
- (c) a ship flying the flag of Russia,
 - (d) a ship registered in Russia, or
 - (e) a specified ship (A vessel specified by the Minister of EDTSC)

2. Requirements with immediate effect - Ports of Jersey, as the Harbour Authority, will not permit vessels to which paragraph 2 applies access to any port or anchorage in the Bailiwick of Jersey.

This means that, subject to the exceptions in paragraph 2

- a) Berthing applications from such vessels will not be accepted, clearance to enter will be denied to such a vessel by St Helier VTS, berths in any harbour marina or anchorage will not be allocated to such a vessel.
- b) The master or pilot of a ship to which this paragraph applies must not cause or permit the ship to enter a port in Jersey if the master or pilot knows, or has reasonable cause to suspect, that the ship is a ship to which paragraph 2 applies.

3. Exemptions: Paragraph 2 does not apply if either

- a) vessel has been specifically instructed to enter under the authority either the Harbour Master or the Minister
- b) the vessel is required to enter the port due to an emergency and has been authorised to do so by Jersey Coastguard.

¹ This General Direction is issued under the authority of the Harbours (Jersey) Regulations 1962 – Regulations 1 & 3 Reference is also to be made to the Sanction and asset Freezing (implementation of external sanctions)(Jersey) Order 2021 as amended

Failure to comply with a Harbour Master's Direction is an offence under Harbours Jersey Regulations 1962

This General Direction remain in force until further notice.



Captain W Sadler
Harbourmaster

1st March 2022