

Information for Ships' Masters

The Atlantic deep sea gateway

Notice to Masters

The following instructions are the main safety regulations you have to comply with during your call. You must keep a constant watch on VHF 12 during your call.

Masters' duties in event of fire or other emergencies

Alarm

Any person discovering a fire or an emergency situation must immediately give the alarm by all means available (La Rochelle Port Control - VHF 12).

On board

Immediately upon arrival the fire plan and loading/unloading plan, as well as place, nature and quantity of any dangerous goods on board, must be given to the Captain of the Fire Brigade.

The ship's crew must be able to guide the emergency services on board. During your call, an efficient surveillance must be maintained at all times on deck and in the engine room. Scuttling, grounding, over ballasting or any action compromising the ship's stability, or the port facilities' normal operations shouldn't be undertaken unless ordered or approved by the Harbour Master.

Ashore

In the event of a fire on board a ship or nearby ashore requiring Shore Fire Brigade intervention, all measures to assist fire services, such as creating a passage way between trains, vehicles or goods, must be undertaken without any delay by those on site.

Main safety instructions

Any vessel alongside must be well moored, a watched kept and display appropriate signals.

Dangerous goods

Any vessel carrying or handling hazardous materials, whatever they may be, has to declare them to the Harbour Master's Office, apply the safety measures required, and comply with the Harbour Authorities' and berth operator's instructions. To comply with regulations vessels must show any required light, shape or signalling flag during their call from the approach fairway to the start of their sea passage. Any vessel carrying dangerous goods must keep enough crew members on board at all times to ensure safety or to manoeuvre the ship if necessary.

Shifting of the vessel in an emergency

Any ship which is:

- subject to a fire alert or,
- likely to be in danger or,
- likely to be a major obstruction to fire services, must be ready to move without delay at the Harbour Master's first order.

All available means must be used to ensure their own safety and to give any fire-fighting assistance requested.

Mooring

Notwithstanding any of the foregoing it is the Master's responsibility to ensure that his vessel remains securely moored at all times.

The Master's attention is particularly drawn to the following points:

■ The vessel must be secured by a sufficient number of mooring lines according to its length and displacement.

- Mooring lines leading in with the same direction of restraint must have similar properties.
- Masters should ensure that mooring lines are in good condition.
- Winch brakes should be in efficient operating order. As soon as the vessel is secured, brakes on all mooring winches should be applied firmly.

Except in case of an emergency, the ship's crew shouldn't take up or slacken the mooring lines without reporting to the Harbour Master's Office (La Rochelle Port Control - VHF 12).

Damage - Repairs - Trials

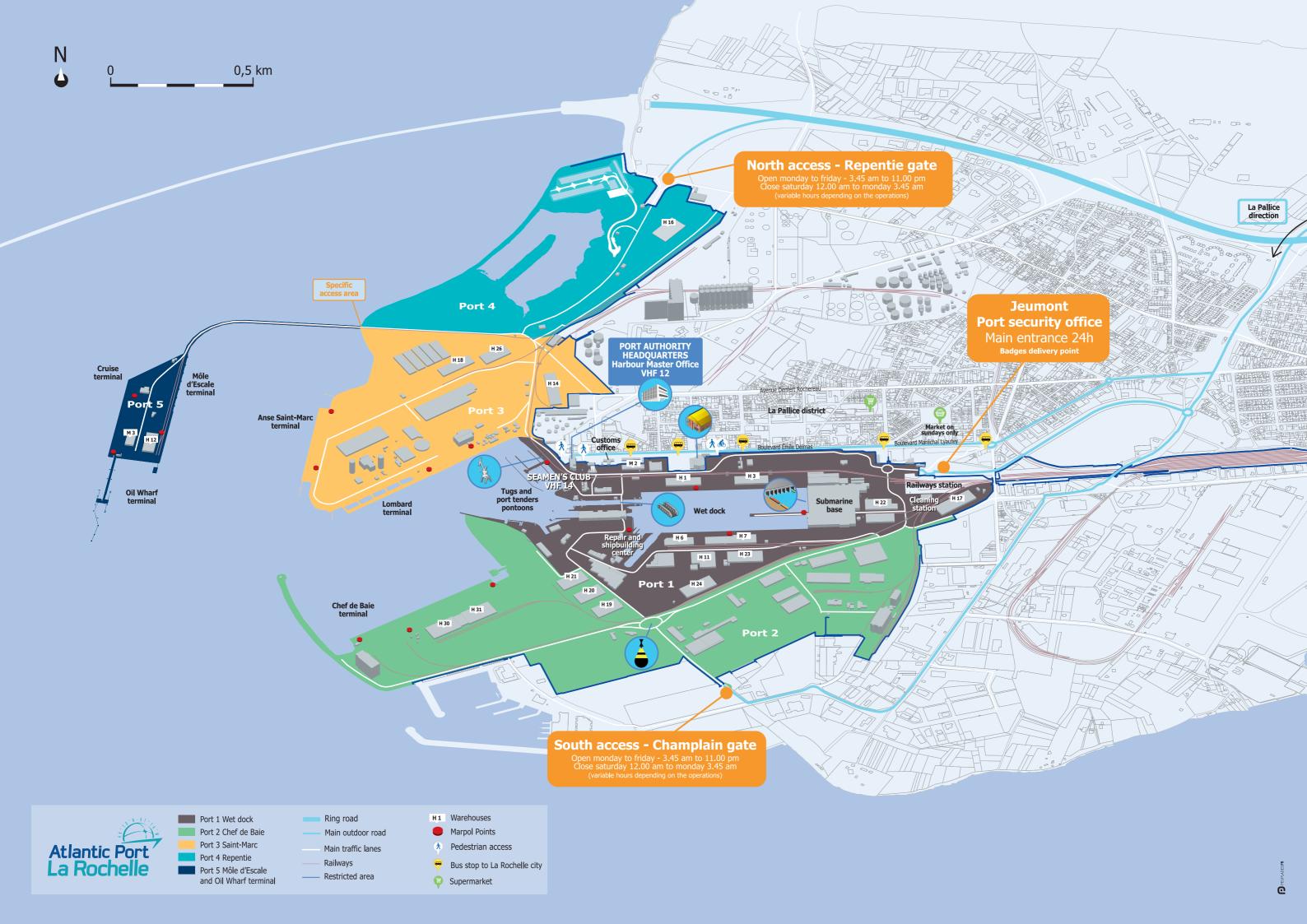
Any repair undertaken alongside is subject to written permission from the Harbour Master's Office. Fixedpoint testing of engines, testing of life saving appliances (lifeboat drill, rescue boat drill), fire alarms, other safety devices, or the ship's horn, shouldn't be carried out without the permission of the Harbour Master's Office.

Refuelling - Victualling

Refuelling and victualling operations are subject to written permission from the Harbour Master's Office and ships must comply with their instructions.

Cleanliness of port waters - refuse and other waste

Ships must be fully compliant with MARPOL 73/78. Any pollution of port waters must be immediately reported to the Harbour Master's Office (La Rochelle Port Control - VHF 12).



Port Waste Management



DUMPING OF WASTE ON DOCKSIDE IS PROHIBITED!











Household Hazardous Waste





SOILED CONTAINERS



WEEE, BATTERIES







SPRAY CANS





Dumping at MARPOL points of any waste that does not belong to any of the categories described above is prohibited, particularly waste that can cause fire or explosion such as expired pyrotechnic devices or fumigation wastes.

Waste facility providers

To take away important quatity or non accepted waste on MARPOL points, contact a waste facility provider:



Emergency phone numbers and radio connections

In case of emergency, ship master or watchman must advise immediately:

1 Harbour Master Office
On VHF chanel 12 (call La Rochelle Port Control)
On VHF chanel 16
By phone: +33 (0)5 46 00 56 30

2 Central Security Station Tel. +33 (0)5 46 42 35 71 According to the nature of the emergency:

Fire Brigade
Tel. 18 or 112
Emergency medical help
Tel. 15 or 112
Police Station



Useful telephone numbers - Radio connections

Pilot Office

Tel. +33 (0)5 46 42 63 05 VHF 12 Mobile 06 08 60 48 84 Fax +33 (0)5 46 42 26 96

email: info@larochelle-charentepilot.com

Towage operator Boluda La Rochelle

Tel. +33 (0)5 46 42 63 60 Fax + 33 (0)5 46 42 57 95 email: albino.costa@boluda.fr **Boatmen's Office**

Tel. +33 (0)5 46 42 60 44 Mobile 06 09 33 13 42 Fax +33 (0)5 46 42 04 58 email: info@lamanagelr.fr

Port State Control

Tel. +33 (0)5 46 69 10 40 Fax + 33 (0)5 46 69 10 38 email: psc-la-rochelle.dirm-sa@ developpement-durable.gouv.fr **Seamen's Club Marin'Escale**Tel. +33 (0)5 46 42 14 59
VHF 14

French customs
Tel. +33 (0)9 70 27 51 80



Security information to seamen

For any question related to security, please contact your shipping agent.

For your movements in and out of the harbour area, you must carry your ID card at all time or your seaman's handbook in compliance with the ISPS code.



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