

Harbour Master Instruction

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DETAILS	Geraldton Port VHF Communications Channels -
FORMER NOTICE	-
Distribution	All Port Users

1 PURPOSE

The purpose of this Harbour Master Instruction (HMI) is to communicate to all port users the change in VHF communication channels used in Geraldton Port.

2 BACKGROUND

In the past, pilots communicated with tugs, wharf crew and pilot boat crew via VHF 06 as the primary channel and 08 as the secondary channel when two pilots were working on the water simultaneously.

Past VHF Communication Practice -

- VHF 06 – Primary Pilot, Tug, Wharf – communication channel
- VHF 08 – Secondary Pilot, Tug, Wharf – communication channel
- VHF 11 – Geraldton Port - communication channel

3 CHANGE OF PRACTICE – Effective 16th Oct 2023

Pilots will communicate with tugs, wharf crew and pilot boat crew via VHF 08 as the primary channel, while VHF Ch 06 will become the secondary channel or will be used when two pilots are working simultaneously.

New VHF Communication practice

- VHF 08 – **Primary** Pilot, Tug, Wharf – communication channel
- VHF 06 – **Secondary** Pilot, Tug, Wharf – communication channel
- VHF 11 – Geraldton Port - communication channel

The instructions contained in this document supersede any prior instructions contained in any

other documentation regarding working channels. The change in working channels will be amended in various relevant documentation when they are reviewed in due course.



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