

POLICY ON THE USE OF PORTABLE PILOTAGE UNITS IN DISTRICTS NOS. 1 AND 1-1

1. Objectives of the Policy

The objective of this Policy is to set out general procedures for the use of portable pilotage units (PPU) in Districts Nos. 1 and 1-1.

2. Background

Given the complexity of the LPA's compulsory pilotage area which, by definition, includes Districts Nos. 1 and 1-1, pilots having the conduct of a vessel should make use, as appropriate, of all available navigation aids and approved technologies, including PPU units provided by the LPA.

3. Policy statements and requirements

- 3.1 A pilot having the conduct of a ship in the above mentioned districts must make use, as appropriate, of the PPU provided by the LPA.
- 3.2 Vessels should be equipped with a functioning pilot plug with GPS and gyrocompass interface, as described in *circular SN1 Circ. 227 of the International Maritime Organization*.
- 3.3 Pilots must keep PPU up to date by periodically updating the operating system, navigation software and map library.
- 3.4 Pilots must stay up to date on the use and basic troubleshooting of the equipment.
- 3.5 Requests for technical support for PPU must be submitted to: NavSim Technology Inc. Help Centre Tel.: 877-726-7779, ext. 5.
- 3.6 Pilots requiring a replacement device or components of their PPU, must contact the LPA's Dispatch Centre.

4. References

5. Responsibility/Additional information

- 5.1 This Policy has been approved and issued under the authority of the Chief Executive Officer.
- 5.2 The Executive Director, Marine Safety and Efficiency is in charge of the development, implementation, maintenance and ongoing improvement of the Policy.
- 5.3 Any comments or requests for information concerning this Policy and its application should be referred to the following person:



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- 6. Related documents
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