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All Boat Owners and Chandlers

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Shipping (Safety of Navigation) (Jersey) Order 2009

The Order will come into force on **1 July 2009**. It applies chapter V of the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) Convention to ships in Jersey waters and Jersey ships worldwide.

Whilst much of the chapter concerns large commercial shipping, there are certain key aspects that will affect small local craft. For this reason the Department is issuing an advice note as attached and Jersey Harbours will be promoting awareness through the boat show and local clubs.

As the Order will not come into force until 1 July, chandlers should be able to supply local boat owners in good time where there are deficiencies.

Regarding enforcement, Jersey Harbours will pursue non-compliance when it comes to light. This will particularly be the case regarding accident investigations and when it appears non-compliance could have been a contributory factor. Except in such situations, there is no intention to deliberately seek to prosecute owners: A commonsense approach to safety and good seamanship, rather than punitive measures, remains the key reason for compliance.

Maritime Compliance

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