

Bunkering Approval Certificate Application & Renewal

Vessel

Name		IMO Number	
Owner / Agent	rtert	Telephone	
Email		Application / Renewal	

Documentation must be submitted in support of application

1.	Ship Oil Pollution Emergency Plan	Expiry Date	
2.	Bunkering operations check list		
3.	Vessel particulars		
4.	Protection and Indemnity Insurance to satisfy the requirements of article 12 of the Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks	Expiry Date	
5.	Policy of Insurance to satisfy the requirements of Article 7 of the International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage	Expiry Date	
6.	Minimum safe manning document issued in compliance with the International Convention for Safety of Life at Sea.	Expiry date	

Declaration

I confirm that the masters of vessels receiving bunkers, and the suppliers of bunkers will comply with:

- Harwich Haven Authority bunkering conditions
- Local and national legislation
- Any specific conditions which may be required by the Harbour Master

Name:

Signature:

Position:

Date:

Return bunker approval certificate application with above documents to HHA.VTS@hha.co.uk

Please allow 5 working days application process

Conservancy Dues and Pilotage Charges

Costs associated with the issue of a bunkering approval certificate are documented in the Harwich Haven Authority Schedule of Conservancy Dues and Pilotage Charges.

Please note that a Bunkering Approval Certificate will be issued once payment has been received.

Bunkering conditions

Masters of vessels receiving bunkers, and Masters of bunkering barges/tankers, are advised that all bunkering operations within the jurisdiction of Harwich Haven Authority must be carried out in accordance with the Authority's Bunkering Conditions. The conditions are also reproduced in full on the back of the Notice of Intention to Bunker Form.

Only an approved contractor and approved vessel may carry out bunker operations. All non-approved contractors must register with HHA at least 5 working days prior to carrying out any bunker operations.

Prior approval must be obtained from the port/berth operator.

The HHA "Request to Bunker" form is to be completed on each occasion by the Master of the bunker barge/tanker, and sent or faxed to Harwich VTS not less than three hours before the transfer begins.

Before any transfer of bunkers takes place, the Master or responsible Officer on each vessel must ensure that: -

Scuppers are properly sealed, adequate drip trays are in position under bunker hose connections, and all precautions have been taken to avoid overside discharge.

The bunker hose joints and connections to ship's manifold are soundly made; the bunker hose is of adequate length, properly supported, and without any visible defect.

An agreed system of communications has been established between bunker/tanker and the ship, and provision has been made to continually monitor the operation.

The bunker barge/tanker must have adequate fendering and both vessels must be securely moored.

The Master/Officer in charge of the receiving vessel must contact Harwich VTS before bunker transfer begins, confirming that all-appropriate checks and precautions have been made. (Both vessels must remain in radio contact with Harwich VTS throughout the transfer.)

If spillage or accident occurs during bunker transfer, the operation must be stopped and Harwich VTS informed immediately.

The Master of the bunker barge/tanker must inform Harwich VTS when the operation has been safely completed and all hoses and other gear disconnected.

Bunkering operations in the hours of darkness will only be allowed under exceptional circumstances with the permission of the Harbour Master or his deputy.

Transfer of bunkers will only be permitted if weather and other conditions are considered suitable. The Harbour Master of Harwich Haven Authority may, at his discretion, order the cessation of the operation and this order must be complied with immediately.

The Harwich Haven Authority cannot accept any responsibility or liability for any cancellation; curtailment or delay of the bunker operation for any reasons whatsoever.

The Harbour Master or a designated Officer of the Authority may board the vessels to inspect the bunker transfer arrangements at any time.

Vessels must comply at all times with the provisions of the Dangerous Goods in Harbour Area Regulations, 2016 and must exhibit the warning signals required by Section 8, namely:

- By day - A red flag (International Code Flag "B")
- By night - An all-round red light, visible 2 miles

Harwich Haven Authority reserves the right to amend or vary all or any of these Conditions from time to time.