



NIGERIAN PORTS AUTHORITY

LAGOS PILOTAGE DIRECTION

1. Pilotage is compulsory for all vessels except vessels below 500 GT with Pilotage Exemption Certificate (PEC).
 - 1.1. All Tankers and Vessels carrying classified substances (including mixtures and solutions) as specified in International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) Code MUST navigate with a Pilot on board while in the District.
2. Pilotage services are provided on request from the appointed Agent to the Harbour Master, Lagos Pilotage District for 24hrs, 7days a week on these contacts:
 - 2.1. VHF Channels 12, 14 and 16 (Lagos Port Control).
 - 2.2. Mobile Numbers:
 - 2.3. E-mail: lagospilotagedistrict@nigerianports.org
 - 2.4. Website: www.nigerianports.org
3. All vessels arriving/departing Lagos Pilotage District must call Lagos Port Control on VHF Channels 12, 14 and 16.
4. Estimated Time of Arrival (ETA) must be communicated 12 hours before arrival of vessels unless directed otherwise by the Harbour Master/Lagos Port Control.
 - 4.1. An amendment to ETA is accepted not later than 4 hours before arrival of vessels.
5. A vessel issued with Pilotage Exemption Certificate may require Pilotage and Towage services if:
 - 5.1. The vessel equipment is substandard or defective.
 - 5.2. The vessel is maneuvering with difficulty or has a history of difficulty in maneuvering.

- 5.3. Adverse weather is prevailing or expected.
- 5.4. The Master of the vessel is incapacitated.
- 5.5. The vessel's position is exposed to imminent danger or navigational hazard.
- 5.6. It is apparent that the Master of the vessel is not performing to international best practices and to the satisfaction of the Port Authority.
- 5.7. The service of a tug is required.

PORTS, BERTHS AND JETTIES

LAGOS PORT COMPLEX

S/No	BERTHS	DEPTH (m)	OPERATORS
1.	BERTH 1	12.5	APAPA BULK TERMINAL LTD
2.	BERTH 2	14.4	APAPA BULK TERMINAL LTD
3.	BERTH 3	14.1	APAPA BULK TERMINAL LTD
4.	BERTH 4	10.2	APAPA BULK TERMINAL LTD
5.	BERTH 5	11.0	APAPA BULK TERMINAL LTD
6.	BERTH 6	11.5	ENL CONSORTIUM LTD
7.	BERTH 7	11.3	ENL CONSORTIUM LTD
8.	BERTH 8	11.0	ENL CONSORTIUM LTD
9.	BERTH 9	10.8	ENL CONSORTIUM LTD
10.	BERTH 10	9.9	ENL CONSORTIUM LTD
11.	BERTH 11	9.6	ENL CONSORTIUM LTD
12.	BERTH 12	10.1	ENL CONSORTIUM LTD
13.	BERTH 13	9.6	ENL CONSORTIUM LTD
14.	BERTH 14	9.7	ENL CONSORTIUM LTD
15.	BERTH 15	12.7	AP MOLLER TERMINAL
16.	BERTH 16	13.0	AP MOLLER TERMINAL
17.	BERTH 17	13.5	AP MOLLER TERMINAL
18.	BERTH 18	13.1	AP MOLLER TERMINAL
19.	BERTH 19	11.3	GDNL TERMINAL
20.	BERTH 20	10.3	GDNL TERMINAL
21.	BERTH 21		GDNL TERMINAL
22.	SFM TERMINAL		STANDARD FLOUR MILL (SFM)

TINCAN ISLAND PORT COMPLEX

S/No	BERTHS	DEPTH (m)	OPERATORS
1.	TINCAN BERTH 1	11.7	JOSEPDAM TERMINAL
2.	TINCAN BERTH 2	11.6	JOSEPDAM TERMINAL
3.	TINCAN BERTH 3	13.1	TINCAN ISLAND CONTAINER TERMINAL
4.	TINCAN BERTH 4	13.1	TINCAN ISLAND CONTAINER TERMINAL
5.	TINCAN BERTH 5	12.8	TINCAN ISLAND CONTAINER TERMINAL

PORTS, BERTHS AND JETTIES (CONT'D)

S/No	BERTHS	DEPTH (m)	OPERATORS
6.	TINCAN BERTH 6	12.9	PORT & CARGO TERMINAL
7.	TINCAN BERTH 7	12.9	PORT & CARGO TERMINAL
8.	TINCAN BERTH 8	13.0	PORT & CARGO TERMINAL
9.	TINCAN BERTH 9	11.3	FIVE STAR LOGISTIC TERMINAL
10.	TINCAN BERTH 10	11.2	FIVE STAR LOGISTIC TERMINAL
11.	TINCAN BERTH 11	11.1	PTML TERMINAL
12.	TINCAN BERTH 12	10.4	PTML TERMINAL

OIL TANKER TERMINALS/JETTIES

S/No	BERTH/TERMINAL	LOCATION	DEPTH (m)	OPERATORS
1	SINGLE BUOY MOORING (SBM)	MIDSTREAM LPC	14.5	NPA/NNPC (STC OPERATION)
2	ATLAS COVE JETTY (ACJ)	LPC	14.0	NPA/NNPC
3	BULK OIL PETROLEUM JETTY (BOP)	LPC	9.2	NPA
4	NEW OIL JETTY (NOJ)	LPC	8.6	NPA
5	PETROLEUM WHARF APAPA (PWA)	LPC	8.7	NPA
6	WAZIRI JETTY (FISHERY WHARF)	LPC	6.0	NPA
7	IJORA WHARF	LPC	5.8	NPA/NRC
8	NISPAN JETTY	LPC	11.0	PRIVATE

9	LISTER JETTY	LPC	10.0	PRIVATE
10	CAPITAL OIL JETTY (A)	TCIP/KLT	9.0	PRIVATE
11	CAPITAL OIL JETTY (B)	TCIP/KLT	8.5	PRIVATE
12	IBAFON (IBRU) JETTY	TCIP/KLT	6.0	PRIVATE
13	INTEGRATED OIL JETTY	TCIP/KLT	6.0	PRIVATE
14	DANTATA/MRS JETTY	TCIP/KLT	10.0	PRIVATE
15	OBAT OIL JETTY	TCIP/KLT	5.5	PRIVATE
16	RAHAMANIYA OIL JETTY (RAJ)	TCIP/KLT	5.5	PRIVATE

OIL TANKER TERMINALS/JETTIES (CONT'D)

S/No	BERTH/TERMINAL	LOCATION	DEPTH (m)	OPERATORS
17	DEEJONES OIL JETTY	TCIP	6.0	PRIVATE
18	FAGBEMS OIL JETTY	TCIP	5.5	PRIVATE
19	BOVAS OIL JETTY	TCIP	5.5	PRIVATE
20	SWIFT OIL JETTY	TCIP	5.5	PRIVATE
21	INDEX OIL JETTY	TCIP	5.5	PRIVATE
22	TECHNO OIL JETTY	TCIP	5.5	PRIVATE
23	EMADEB OIL JETTY	TCIP	5.5	PRIVATE
24	A. A RANO OIL JETTY	TCIP	5.5	PRIVATE
25	DEEP WATER OIL JETTY	TCIP	5.5	PRIVATE
26	WOSBAB	TCIP	5.5	PRIVATE
27	STALLIONAIRE	TCIP	5.5	PRIVATE
28	SB BAKARE	TCIP	5.5	PRIVATE
29	NAKEM	TCIP	4.0	PRIVATE
30	BRAWAL	TCIP	4.0	PRIVATE

OIL LOGISTIC AND OFFSHORE SUPPORT TERMINALS

S/No	BERTH/TERMINAL	LOCATION	DEPTH (m)	OPERATORS
1	BULLNOSE 1,2,3	LPC	9.0	EKO SUPPORT SERVICES LTD. (Oil & Gas Free Trade Zone)
2	LADOL	LPC	7.0	LADOL (Free Trade Zone)

3	NIGER DOCK	TCIP	8.0	NIGER DOCK NIG
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SAFETY MEASURES AND PILOTAGE PROCEDURES

SAFETY MEASURES

1. Required boarding arrangements for pilots must be in accordance with IMO requirements and IMPA recommendations such as:
 - 1.1. Pilot ladders should always be in good shape and properly rigged according to the specifications.
 - 1.2. If freeboard is more than 9m, combination ladders should be properly rigged and free of any obstruction.
 - 1.3. A responsible officer should be stationed at the boarding point, and it should be properly lighted at night.
 - 1.4. Pilot may abort boarding a vessel if he carries out risk assessment of the boarding arrangement/sea state and is proven to be unsafe.
2. The Pilot is advised to be fully kitted in safety gear (Life Jacket and Safety Shoes, etc). Note: the Master reserves the right to refuse the Pilot boarding if in doubt of the safety of the pilot.
3. Pilot/bridge team must adhere strictly to all collision avoidance regulation in all situations.
4. Pilot should at all times avoid unsafe meeting points (Apapa 15, Buoy 18, Apapa 19/20, Sea School, Tincan 8/9). During ship to ship interaction, communication should be fully established between ship and Port Control.
5. Pilot outward bound from Apapa Channel should always be the give-way vessel to Pilot outward bound from Badagry Channel when approaching the Meridian Point (Buoy 18) unless on exceptional circumstance as may be agreed by all parties.
6. Pilots must make reports at every reporting point and avoid all prohibited anchoring areas. Charts should always be consulted before anchoring.

7. All vessels must at all times proceed at a safe speed within the Lagos Channel, putting into consideration all the navigational hazards within the port (e.g. Fishing trawlers, Dredgers, Sand digger boats, Local fishing boats, Tidal situation, Weather and Traffic situations).
8. Buoyage System: Lagos Pilotage District operates IALA Maritime buoyage system region A (Red to Port and Green to starboard) and all the buoys are lighted. The Fairway Buoy is lighted with a light characteristic of white light flashing Morse Code "A".

PILOTAGE PROCEDURE

1. Pilot obtains vessel berthing/sailing clearance as per booking from the Harbour Master before calling vessel for berthing and un-berthing prospects.
 - 1.1. Pilot calls vessel on VHF Radio channel 14 to establish communication and agree on the communication channel, boarding arrangement, boarding position before proceeding to the vessel.
 - 1.2. Pilots must always board vessels from a Pilot Cutter. NPA Pilot Cutters are green-hull with a cream superstructure which is marked "PILOT" on both sides.
2. Lagos Ports operate 24hours pilotage service, unless on exceptional cases as may be directed by the Harbour Master.
 - 2.1. With regard to night pilotage, all parties must comply with all regulations governing night navigation such as exhibiting the appropriate lights/signals.
3. The Tincan Turning Basin has a diameter of about 400m with a depth/sounding range of 9.5m to 11m.
 - 3.1. At ebb tide, the safest swinging draft of vessels less than 220m in length is 11m while for vessels more than 220m in length is 10m.
4. The Apapa Turning Basin has a diameter of about 360m with a depth/sounding range of 8.5m to 10.8m.
 - 4.1. At ebb tide, the safest swinging draft of vessels less than 220m in length is 10m while for vessels more than 220m in length, is 9.5m.
5. Vessels Booking/Pilotage Planning is as follows:

5.1. Booking time for vessel's berthing/sailing within Lagos Pilotage District:

- (a) 0800 – 1200 Booking for PM moves,
- (b) 1300 Publication of PM moves
- (c) 1200 – 1600 Booking for AM moves
- (d) 17000 Publication for AM moves

5.2. All bookings stand cancelled after 3hrs if berthing/sailing is not carried out and should be re-booked.

5.3 Pilot/Tug detention is charged hourly or part thereof.

5.4. All Pilots, Shipping Agents, Owners and Terminal Operators must comply strictly.

PASSAGE PLANNING

FAIRWAY BUOY TO APAPA CHANNEL

Charts Used: BA 2812
 BA 1381

Tidal Information, Apapa Lagos

Mean: - H.W.S. =1.721 meters, H.W.N. = 1.122 meters
 L.W.S. = 0.131meters, L.W.N. = 0.709 meters

Monitoring Technique: - Visual and Parallel Indexing

$P.I_1$ West Mole = $335^0_{(T)} \times 0.16Nm$
 $P.I_2$ Atlas Cove = $007^0_{(T)} \times 0.16Nm$
 $P.I_3$ Naval Dockyard = $012^0_{(T)} \times 0.13Nm$
 $P.I_4$ Lister Jetty = $252^0_{(T)} \times 0.07Nm$
 $P.I_5$ Sea School = $272^0_{(T)} \times 0.09Nm$

APPROACH TO FAIRWAY BUOY (FWB)/PILOT BOARDING POSITION:

$1.0Nm$ SW (225^0) of FWB = 06^0 21.20 N / 003^0 .24.08 E = COURSE $045^0_{(T)}$

1.0Nm SE (135⁰_T) of FWB = 06⁰21.25 N / 003⁰ 25.40 E = COURSE 315⁰_(T)

1.0 Nm SS (180⁰_T) of FWB= 06⁰ 20.90N/003⁰ 24.79⁰E = COURSE 345⁰_(T)

WPT	NAME	LAT	LONG	COURSE	DIST. TO NEXT WPT (m)	DIST. TO GO (m)
1	FWB	06 ⁰ 21.91'N	003 ⁰ 24.79'E	338 ⁰ (T)	1.61	7.37
2	BUOY 8	06 ⁰ 23. 42'N	003 ⁰ 24.20'E	335 ⁰ (T)	0.56	5.76
3	TARKWA BAY ENTRANCE	06 ⁰ 23.92 'N	003 ⁰ 23.97'E	007 ⁰ (T)	1.1	5.20
4	ATLAS COVE	06 ⁰ 25.00'N	003 ⁰ 24.10'E	012 ⁰ (T)	0.79	4.1
5	MERIDIAN POINT	06 ⁰ 25.74'N	003 ⁰ 24.23'E	330 ⁰ (T)	0.69	3.41

APPROACH TO FAIRWAY BUOY (FWB)/PILOT BOARDING POSITION (CONT'D):

WPT	NAME	LAT	LONG	COURSE	DIST. TO NEXT WPT (m)	DIST. TO GO (m)
6	APAPA 14	06 ⁰ 26.36'N	003 ⁰ 23.91'E	292 ⁰ (T)	1.40	2.01
7	APAPA 1	06 ⁰ 26.87'N	003 ⁰ 22.60'E	326 ⁰ (T)	0.4	1.61
8	BOP	06 ⁰ 27.20'N	003 ⁰ .21.81'E	272(T)	1.51	2.82
9	APAPA NAVAL BASE	06.27.59'N	003 ⁰ 22.41'E	051 ⁰ (T)	1.23	0.82
10	IJORA WHARF	06 ⁰ 27.86'N	003 ⁰ 22.75'E			0.00

Remarks

- All vessels proceeding to Lagos Pilotage District should maintain a proper look out at all times as per Rule 5
- Primary position fixing and monitoring technique = visual and parallel indexing
- The rise and fall of the tide is in accordance with the prediction, but the period of ebb and flood varies considerably throughout the year due to local geographical and climatic conditions.

FAIRWAY BUOY TO BADAGRY CHANNEL (BUOY 44)

Chart Used: BA 2812

Tidal Information Lagos Bar

Mean: *H.W.S. = 0.945meters, H.W.N = 0.701 meters*

L.W.S. = 0.091meters, L.W.N. = 0.213 meters

Monitoring Technique: - Visual and Parallel Indexing

$$P.I_1 \text{ West Mole} = 335^0_{(T)} \times 0.16Nm$$

$$P.I_2 \text{ Atlas Cove Jetty} = 007^0_{(T)} \times 0.16Nm$$

$$P.I_3 \text{ Naval Dockyard} = 012^0_{(T)} \times 0.13Nm$$

$$P.I_4 \text{ Lister Jetty} = 252^0_{(T)} \times 0.07Nm$$

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WPT	NAME	LAT	LONG	COURSE	DIST. TO NEXT WPT (m)	DIST. TO GO (m)
1	FWB	06 ⁰ 21.91N	003 ⁰ 24.71E	338 ⁰ (T)	1.61	9.49
2	BUOY 8	06 ⁰ 23. 42 N	003 ⁰ 24.20E	335 ⁰ (T)	0.56	7.88
3	TARKWA BAY	06 ⁰ 23.92 N	003 ⁰ 23.97E	007 ⁰ (T)	1.1	7.32
4	ATLAS COVE	06 ⁰ 25.00N	003 ⁰ 24.10E	012 ⁰ (T)	0.79	6.22
5	MERIDIAN POINT	06 ⁰ 25.88N	003 ⁰ 24.11E	282 ⁰ (T)	0.63	5.26
6	APAPA 15	06 ⁰ 26.0N	003 ⁰ 23.5E	290 ⁰ (T)	0.59	4.63
7	APAPA 19	06 ⁰ 26.19N	003 ⁰ 22.92E	252 ⁰ (T)	1.19	4.041
8	APAPA TURNING BAY	06 ⁰ 25.82N	033 ⁰ .21.81E	272(T)	1.51	2.82
9	SEA SCHOOL	06.25.89N	003 ⁰ 21.00E	247 ⁰ (T)	0.47	1.34
10	TINCAN	06 ⁰ 25.70N	003 ⁰ 20.53E	275 ⁰ (T)	0.37	0.87
11	FINGER JETTY	06 ⁰ 25.72N	003 ⁰ 20.20E	313 ⁰ (T)	0.50	0.5
12	BUOY 44	06 ⁰ 26.08N	003 ⁰ 19.82E	-	-	0.0

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PROCEDURES FOR COMMUNICATION, TRAFFIC CONTROL AND REPORTING VESSEL POSITION

The following should be strictly adhered to for effective maintenance of safety of navigation on our channels:

1. All Pilots must report all movements to the Radio/Signal Station (Port Control).
2. All Pilots afloat must keep positive communication flow with each other and the Radio/Signal Station throughout the period of pilotage.
3. The Radio/Signal Station shall communicate and log all such communications.
4. The Radio/Signal Station must duly guide all vessels with Pilotage Exemption Certificate.
5. All vessels within the channel must note the reporting points and strictly comply.
6. Harbours Operation Radio Channels are:
 - i. Channel 11: Vessels movement traffic control.
 - ii. Channel 12: Arrival and departure details.
 - iii. Channel 13: Pilots/Tugs/Beach Masters.
 - iv. Channel 14: Harbour/Port Operation.
 - v. Channel 16: General Calling

The following reporting points should be used by Pilots/Masters to make regular reports of their presence to/and within the channel:

- a. Fairway Buoy
- b. Entrance to the Channel
- c. Naval Dockyard
- d. Apapa 1
- e. Apapa 14
- f. Apapa 20
- g. Sea School

ISPS CODE, EMERGENCY PLAN PROCEDURES AND WASTE DISPOSAL PROCEDURES

1. **ISPS Code:** International Ship & Port Facility Security code.
 - 1.1. The ports in Lagos are fully ISPS compliant
 - 1.2. All vessels are advised to step up their security level if the need so arises.
 - 1.3. All vessels are advised to have ship security plan as per ISPS code.
 - 1.4. In case of any security threat, all vessels should contact the Harbour Master, via Port Control on VHF Channels 12 or 16.
 - 1.5. The Harbour Master makes contact with the NPA ISPS code coordinator who may contact the DA if necessary.
2. **Emergency Plan Procedures (See Appendix A)**
 - 2.1. All Vessels should report any emergency situation to the Harbour Master, via Port Operation/Port Control for immediate response and stating the nature of emergency.
 - 2.2. In case of Oil Spillage, Nigerian Ports Authority's Pollution Control should be contacted immediately, directly on VHF channels 12, 14 and 16 or via Port Operation on VHF 14.
 - 2.3. In case of any collision, loss of engine, steering problem, the pilot will advise on a safe anchoring position within the channel or request the assistance of Tugs.
 - 2.4. In case of any fire incident, Port Operation should be contacted immediately for necessary advice or action.
 - 2.5. Vessels should always have their anchors on standby when transiting the channels.
3. **Waste Disposal Procedures (See Appendix A)**

Pollution Control should be contacted immediately via Port Operation on VHF Channels 12, 14 and 16.

TOWAGE OPERATIONS AND TUG ASSISTANCE

TOWING OPERATIONS

All stakeholders should please note that towing operations within port limit must be booked and carried out under the supervision of a Nigerian Ports Authority Pilot.

The following should be declared when **a booking is being made**:

- i. The characteristics and nature of tow
- ii. Displaying of appropriate day/night signal during towing operation

TUG BOAT ASSISTANCE

All tugboats and other crafts of the Authority are fully operated by the Harbour Master, but they managed by Landfall Transport & Towage Nigeria Limited. These vessels must adhere to the following conditions:

1. Fishing Trawlers

- a. Must request permission from Harbour Master at least two (2) hours before arrival/departure.
- b. Report arrival/departure to Signal Station.
- c. Report to Port Control at every reporting point.

2. Towing Operation

- a. Must request permission from Harbour Master at least two (2) hours before arrival/departure.
- b. State if pilot services are required or not.
- c. Comply with 1 (b) and (c) above

3. Other Vessels

Dredgers, Ferries, Private Tugs and other Crafts with pilotage exemption certificates are required to:

- a. Inform the Harbour Master of their movements at all times.
- b. They should also adhere strictly to the reporting regime at each reporting point.
- c. Communicate with pilots performing pilotage operations on VHF channels 14, 13 and 11 for safe passage.

- d. Naval ships, Customs, NDLEA, NIMASA, NPF and other registered vessels belonging to Government Agencies deployed for official duty, are exempted from compliance but have to inform the Harbour Master for movements and also for entry and exit procedures.



LAGOS PILOTAGE DISTRICT CONTACT LIST

HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE	VHF: CHANNELS 14 &16
LAGOS PORT CONTROL	VHF: CHANNELS 12, 14 &16
PILOT STATION	VHF: CHANNELS 14 & 16
Email	lagospilotagedistrict@nigerianports.org