

PACIFIC PILOTAGE AUTHORITY

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NOTICE TO INDUSTRY

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Subject: Transfer of parcels to/from ships using pilot launch

Geographic Area: All pilot launch stations

Details:

From time to time the PPA receives requests for small parcels or packages to be taken to a vessel when a pilot is scheduled to board. Although the PPA wants to facilitate and serve the industry in this way it is becoming increasingly difficult for launch crews to safely provide this ancillary service.

As a result the following criteria are implemented immediately:

1. All packages must be clearly labelled with the name of the ship for which it is intended.
2. The package contents must be clearly labelled.
3. The agent's name and phone number must be clearly marked on the outside of the package in case there are issues with the transfer.
4. The parcel is to be made ready to be **hoisted**. The pilot will not carry it on board. There **must** be some form of netting or rope on the outside strong enough to hoist the parcel on board with a heaving line.
5. Dangerous goods of any kind will not be transferred (this includes oil or bunker samples).
6. No additional trips will be made to an anchorage for the purposes of delivering a parcel (i.e. Royal Roads or Constance Bank). In this case a commercial water taxi service must be utilized.

Packages not conforming to the criteria detailed in this notice will not be transferred. The Authority will not be responsible for forwarding undelivered parcels; these parcels will be discarded unless the agent makes other arrangements.

Please contact the PPA at marineops@ppa.gc.ca if there are any queries or concerns.

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