Dredging Licence Application Requirements

Applications to dredge in any part of the bed and foreshore of the waters of the harbour (harbour being as defined in Schedule 2 to the Tees and Hartlepools Port Authority Act 1966).

Applying for a Dredging Licence

Under section 23 of the Tees and Hartlepools Port Authority Act 1966, PD Teesport Limited (as the Statutory Harbour Authority for Teesport and the Port of Hartlepool) may upon such terms and conditions as they think fit grant to any person a licence ("dredging licence") to dredge in any part of the bed and foreshore of the waters of the harbour.

An application for a dredging licence should be made in writing by email to PD Teesport Limited by the proposed licensee. Applications should be submitted to the Harbour Master using the email address: Harbourmaster@pdports.co.uk.

To issue a dredging licence, PD Teesport Limited will require the following:

- (i) a brief description of the location(s) to be dredged;
- (ii) a CAD drawing showing the area to be dredged edged in red and the dimensions to be dredged; and
- (iii) the planned commencement date for the dredging works and the expected duration of the dredging works.

Before being able to commence the dredging works under the dredging licence, the licensee will need to satisfy a number of conditions precedent. Please see below:

The licensee will need to submit in writing to PD Teesport Limited for its approval information which clearly identifies:

- (i) the detailed manner in which the dredging works are to be carried out;
- (ii) the operational logistics of the dredger and/or barge movements; and
- (iii) the location and manner of disposal of dredge spoil.

In addition to the above, prior to commencement of the dredging works, the licensee will need to confirm in writing to PD Teesport Limited that in respect of the dredging works it has:

- (i) a marine consent under Part 4 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009;
- (ii) EIA consent under the Marine Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2007; and
- (iii) any other consents required by law;

and provide copies of such consents to PD Teesport Limited.

The licensee will also need to provide evidence that it has adequate insurance cover in place. Details of the required cover will be set out in the dredging licence.

The licensee will need to submit a statement to PD Teesport Limited in which the licensee identifies the steps it proposes to take to mitigate the spread of materials of the dredge area to other harbour areas either in dissolved or particulate form.

Timescale for issuing a Dredging Licence

PD Teesport Limited will process your application as soon as possible, however, please allow three (3) months.

Contact Details

If you have a general enquiry regarding dredging licences or if you would like to discuss the process further before submitting your application, please contact the Harbour Master via email: Harbourmaster@pdports.co.uk.