

# Caledonian Maritime Assets Ltd (CMAL)



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## Port Marine Safety Policy Statement

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## **1. Introduction**

Caledonian Maritime Assets Ltd (CMAL) is the Statutory Harbour Authority (SHA) for 16 ports, harbours<sup>1</sup> and slipways across the West of Scotland and the Clyde Estuary and own the associated port infrastructure and properties at each of these locations. CMAL also owns and leases several other marine facilities at various locations primarily associated with the delivery of Clyde and Hebrides Ferry Services.

CMAL has responsibility at all times to ensure a safe environment for its employees, the general public and users of its statutory harbour areas and other non-statutory marine facilities. This is achieved through the implementation of the requirements laid down in the CMAL Operational and Safety Management System (OSMS), supporting documents and management processes, supported as required by the safety management system, documents and processes of its contracted Harbour Operator, CalMac Ferries Ltd (CFL).

CMAL are committed to complying with the Port Marine Safety Code which lays down minimum standards of safety applicable to all ports, harbours and similar establishments.

## **2. Operational and Safety Management System**

The OSMS Policy is the principal document in the safety management system and performs the function of a Policy, Organisation and Arrangements management document; it is not specific to any individual CMAL ports, piers and harbours. It includes the safety management arrangements for maritime and shore based operations within CMAL's areas of responsibility and clearly defines all areas of responsibility, interfaces and operational boundaries that are within the remit of the contracted Harbour Operator.

While CMAL retains accountability, it is the responsibility of CFL to conduct and manage the everyday business of the harbours under the authority of CMAL. In doing so CFL must, as a minimum standard meet the requirements of the Department of Transport Port Marine Safety Code (the Code) and other pertinent legislation.

## **3. Duty Holders**

For the purposes of the Code the members of the CMAL Board are the Harbour Authority duty holders with each member being collectively and individually responsible for achieving full compliance with the Code as a minimum standard for operation of CMAL harbours and other marine facilities.

The Harbour Authority cannot assign or delegate their accountability for compliance with the Code.

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<sup>1</sup> For a list of locations see <http://www.cmassets.co.uk/harbours/locations/>

## **5. Designated Person**

A Designated Person provides independent assurance to the Board that the OSMS is being implemented correctly and is compliant with all applicable codes and legislation.

The Designated Person is the CMAL Harbour Master who has direct access to the CMAL Board. This appointment is appropriate as CMAL is not the harbour operator and while the Harbour Master retains accountability, with few exceptions their powers and responsibility for the day-to-day operation of CMAL's statutory harbours and other non-statutory marine facilities in compliance with the Code, are transferred to the Harbour Operator, while retaining responsibility for ensuring that the OSMS requirements are at least met if not bettered.

## **6. Chief Executive Officer**

The Chief Executive Officer is accountable for the operational and financial control of the Harbour Authority. They advise the Board on all matters related to its duties and powers, with appropriate advice from the Harbour Master and other officers.

## **7. Director of Harbours**

The Director of Harbours is responsible for the overall governance of all CMAL harbours and to advise the Board on all matters appertaining to the harbours within CMAL's areas of responsibility and those relating to the harbours under Harbour Operator's areas of responsibility.

## **8. Commitment**

CMAL and its Harbour Operator are committed to the continuous improvement of safety standards within its harbours and facilities by the constant development and implementation of policies, systems and procedures that provide a pragmatic and proportionate approach to safety for the wellbeing of the port marine environment and community.



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