

NOTICE TO MARINERS



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Chatham Docks Re-opening Revised Procedures

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that repairs to the North Lock at Chatham Dock have been completed and the Dock will be re-opening for commercial vessel movements as of **Thursday 12th June 2025**, lock bookings will be available from this date on. Vessels will be locked in and out of the North Lock 1½ hours either side of High Water Chatham and up to the maximum operating level of 6.0m rise of tide at Chatham.

Vessel agents and terminal operators should be aware that operational changes have been made since the closure in 2024, these requirements are effective immediately.

- Lock bookings are only to be made via “Portlinks” OBP at the time the vessel booking is made. Lock slots are to be added during the “OBP” booking process, however, Peel Ports Group Marine Planners are able to assist if difficulties are experienced.
- A minimum of 24 hrs notice for lock movements must be given during weekday, office hours. Lock bookings for weekends and bank holidays must be received by 17:00 on the Thursday prior to the intended movement, this is for both inbound and outbound movements.
- Any questions regarding the booking process are to be directed to Group Marine Planners groupmarine.planners@peelports.com, and lock operations enquires are to be sent to chathamlocks@peelports.com
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N.B. All booking amendments are to be requested through Group Marine Planners during office hours. “Portlinks” OBP is not to be used for any amendments in connection with Chatham Locks

Further information may be obtained from Medway VTS on VHF Channel 74, call sign “Medway VTS” or telephone 0151 949 6148 or 0151 949 6650 (**Recorded Lines**)

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