

Vessel – Towage Policy / Guidelines

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Dartmouth Harbour does not operate any towage facilities; however, these can be sourced from local ports and are available from: -

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Towage can only be supplied from approved towage suppliers, that have submitted their SMS / RA / insurance details to DHNA for approval from the HM or his DHM.

New towage companies are welcomed to submit a request to work in the port 7 days in advance of any act.

All vessels over 100m are required to take a tug which will be agreed with in advance of arrival with both the Harbour Master / Pilot / Vessel.

Vessels over a combined length of tow of 50m will need to employ the services of a DHNA pilot whilst in the port.

Abnormal tows shall submit a method statement / RA / insurance to the HM or DHM for approval prior to the tow being taken. (minimum of 48hrs notice must be given)

When visibility is reduced to less than 2 cables acts towage should be avoided, however when a tug is already engaged in towing the act should continue if deemed safe by the masters of any vessels involved.

All towage providers shall ensure that their crews are suitable qualified as set by the MCA.

Towage operations shall use VHF CH 12 when carrying out any act.

Towage costs are to be invoiced directly to the vessel's agent and not DHNA, who won't accept any responsibility for towage invoices. Unless authorized in writing by the HM or his DHM.