

Marico Marine Audit of Newhaven Port in relation to compliance with the Port Marine Safety Code (PMSC). Conducted on 23rd April 2010.

- This PMSC Audit was conducted at the offices and sites operated by Newhaven Port & Properties Ltd (NPP) on 23rd April 2010 as an independent audit of the port's activities in relation to the PMSC.
- It is clear that very significant inroads have recently been made into updating the NPP Safety Management System and the port operating procedures in general.
- Although this audit lists a number of observations, no non-conformances were found and it is considered that NPP complies with the requirements of the PMSC (Oct 09).
- The scope of the audit relates to the operations covered by the PMSC in the Newhaven Port Limits. The audit does not cover the engineering, financial or marketing sectors of the port's activities. All the activities audited are managed by NPP.
- The audit was conducted by informal interviews with personnel, selected by the auditor, and by observing a sample of specific operations and comparing them with the procedures as laid out in "A Guide to Good Practice on Port Operations" (Oct 09).
- Officers interviewed included the Port Manager, Harbour Master, one of the Local Port Service Operators and the crew of the pilot boat.
- Documentation was selectively scrutinised in relation to the operations audited. It was also more generally reviewed with respect to its provision of the requirements of the Code.

The auditors made a number of recommendations, which have been formulated into an Action Plan and are being implemented and incorporated into the Safety-Management System.

The Board of Directors are pleased with the outcome of the Audit and congratulate all the staff on their efforts and thank Marico Marine for undertaking the audit and making some useful recommendations to enable continued improvements to be made.