

General information about Larne Port – LOCODE: GBLAR002:

Port of Larne is situated at the entrance to Lough Larne in County Antrim, Northern Ireland. The town is situated at the West side of the harbour entrance.

On the Westside of the Harbour are 5 multi-purpose berths, 4 of which are equipped with Ro/RO ramps.

Larne VTS

Is situated in the Harbour Office, Olderfleet Road. Larne VTS is manned 24 hours a day and is responsible for the Organisation of the marine traffic within the harbour and its approaches.

Larne VTS will provide the following information at the first call from the vessel:-

- (i) Wind speed and direction
 - (ii) Weather trend, if appropriate
 - (iii) Anticipated traffic movements
 - (iv) Tidal information if required
 - (v) Berthing availability
- Reporting points for inbound vessels
 - 1Hr before arrival at the Hunters Cardinal Buoys, indicate whether you will pass North or South of the Hunter Rocks. 15 minutes for Scheduled ferries.
 - Passing the Hunter Rocks
 - Passing Larne Port number 1 Buoy
 - When vessel is all fast.
 - Reporting points for outbound vessels
 - 15 min before departure
 - When Singled up, ask Larne Port Control for traffic clearance
 - Passing Larne Port number 1 buoy outbound.

Larne VTS must be asked to for permission before commencing any of the following operations:

- Bunkering
- Hot Work
- Diving operations
- In case of an Emergency or incident

Contact details Larne VTS:

CALL SIGN	LARNE VTS
LOCATION	Harbour Office, Olderfleet Road
TELEPHONE	028 2887 2179
E-MAIL	larneportcontrol@portoflarne.co.uk
FREQUENCY	Ch 16; 10; 11
HOURS	H24
TIMES	All times should be given in local time

Pilotage

Pilotage is provided by Belfast Lough Pilot Services and is compulsory for all vessels except:

- HM ships and foreign warships
- General Lighthouse Authority vessels
- Vessels under 60m LOA without a working bow thruster
- Vessels under 75m LOA with a working bow thruster
- Fishing vessels under 47.5m
- Yachts

Pilot can be ordered by Larne VTS on written instruction from the vessel's master or agent. Vessel are to confirm their ETA 24Hrs and 2Hrs in advance.

Pre-arrival Notification

Pre-arrival notification must be submitted no less than 24hours before arrival or on departure of the last port if less than 24 hours from Larne. Following documents will have to be submitted

- Completed CERS workbook
- Crew and Passenger lists
- Cleared Customs declaration – prior to discharge on Non-EU goods.

Marine services

Mooring services and towage services are provided by a licensed contractor, John McLoughlin shipping and Sons or David Ferran and Sons. Please arrange through your agent.

Port services

- Water: Fresh water is available at all berths. Arrangements are made by contacting Larne VTS
- Waste: As part of the ships due waste will be collected from the ship or a skip will be supplied near the vessel. Food waste will be collected separately and is not to be mixed with general waste. Vessel's masters or their agents must order the collection of any hazardous or oil contaminated waste separate.
- There are 10T forklift trucks and cherry pickers available on request.

Bunkering**Approval of Port of Larne Limited must be confirmed prior to bunkering commencing.**

The master of a vessel intending to receive bunkers, shall give notification in writing by email or by VHF radio to Larne VTS not less than 24 hours in advance of the intention to bunker.

The notification should state:

- (i) the place
- (ii) the type and quantity of bunker oil to be transhipped;
- (iii) the expected time bunkering will commence

Email: portcontrol@portoflarne.co.uk

Fax: +44 (0) 28 2887 2180

Notification of commencement and completion of bunkering plus if a spillage incident occurs must be made to Larne VTS on VHF Channel 11.

Work Requests

All Masters, Contractors and Agents must ensure that an appropriate work request Form has been submitted and approved by Larne VTS prior to commencing any "Hot Work" onboard a ship or any work taking place outside the ships rails, at any Quay in Larne Harbour.

A completed "Form must be sent to and approved by Larne VTS before the work commences. If approval is given the form will be signed by a harbour authority authorised person and returned.

In the event that permission is not granted then the master / agent / contractor will be advised, and the request will be returned and endorsed "Permission Refused" giving reasons for refusal.

The term "Hot Work" includes burning, welding or other work involving naked flames on board vessels and / or on quays, immediately adjacent to vessels, with the exception of work taking place in a designated ship's workshop.

Contractors working within the port should advise Larne VTS when and where "Hot Work" is due to be undertaken and again when this work has been completed (for Information only). No approval will be required from the harbour authority for "Hot Work" other than work at the quays.

Incident and Emergency in the port

Any incident, including damages, or emergencies are to be reported to Larne Port Control without delay.

In case of an emergency Larne VTS will inform the required emergency services and deploy, both internal and external, resources as appropriate.

Port Security

All the berths of Larne Port are situated within a restricted area, as defined under the ISPS code. Crewmembers, visitors and service providers wishing to gain access to the port will require photographic ID together with prove that they have genuine business with the vessel.

Local amenities

Within a 6 minutes walking distance of the South entrance to the port is the Redlands retail area, where restaurants, a large supermarket and a cinema can be found.

The main street in Larne is about 15 to 20 minutes' walk away where shops, restaurants, barbers, banks, post offices and pharmacies can be found.

Doctor appointments are to be arranged through the ship's agent.