



BINTULU PORT AUTHORITY

PORT NOTICE

BINTULU PORT NOTICE
No. 17 of 2016
Date: 18 October 2016

To: Shipping Community

Applicable to : This notice is brought to the attention of and not limited to ship manager/owner, agent, master and officer, crew of ships, terminal operator and port operator.

NOTICE OF NEW REQUIREMENTS FOR PILOT LADDER AT BINTULU PORT

1. **TAKE NOTE** that following from the accident occurred at Bintulu Port water limit on 5 October 2016, whereby Pilot fallen off during climbing the pilot ladder. The pilot ladder parted at midway at the step. After effect of above accident, The Port Authority will enforce the new requirements whereby Master will declare to the Port Control Tower:
 - 1.1 My pilot ladder was tested before pilot boarding.
 - 1.2 The pilot ladder is in good condition.
 - 1.3 Fit for boarding.
 - 1.4 Recorded in the ship logbook.
2. The Port Authority encourage Pilots:
 - 2.1 If the Pilot feels the condition of the pilot ladder is not to his satisfaction than he can instructed vessel crew to test the whole length of the pilot ladder before boarding.
 - 2.2 If the pilot still not satisfied than he can request for immediate Port State Control inspection.

- 2.3 The Master of vessel will not be exonerated in any situation for the failure of providing safe access for pilot onboard the vessels.
3. For every shift, the Chief Pilot will brief and remind duty Pilots to emphasize on safe access boarding.
4. Request the Port State Control to emphasize more frequent visit and stringent inspection for vessel less than 120 meters and arrival in high freeboard condition.
7. For any other further queries, please call **Mr. Awang Saffarudin Bin Awang Saifudin (013-423 1204)**.
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Above notice is enforced with immediate effect until further notice.

AWANG SAFFARUDIN BIN AWANG SAIFUDIN

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*For General Manager
Bintulu Port Authority*