

REQUIREMENTS FOR COLD STACKING MOBILE OFFSHORE UNITS WITHIN THE PORT LIMITS OF CROMARTY FIRTH PORT AUTHORITY



In order to ensure safe navigation within the port at all times, the following requirements are the minimum expected to be implemented for Mobile Offshore Units (MOU) cold stacking within port limits of Cromarty Firth Port Authority.

Lighting

Cold stacked MOU's should be equipped with the following lighting as a minimum:

- Marine navigation obstruction lights (range 3 miles, character to be agreed) shall be placed at each corner of the MOU where they can best be seen by both small craft and shipping.
- Air navigation obstruction lights in order to comply with the minimum requirements set by the CAA and the CAP 637 regulations, etc.
- Flood lighting (or a similar acceptable arrangement to be agreed with CFPA) at deck level for an MOU, anchored to the west of Invergordon, to assist with transit shipping during the hours of darkness. Dependent on other operations, similar lighting may be required at other anchor locations in the firth. Arrangements/ procedures should be made to allow this to be done within a notification period agreed between the owner and CFPA.

Location

Requirement for an MOU to be cold stacked to be intimated to CFPA prior to arrival. When choosing suitable location - consideration will be given to width of navigable channel, potential for placing rig on seabed, scope of moorings, etc

Moorings

A mooring analysis (including breakout loading and single line failure) will be required to be undertaken by the MOU owner.

It may be necessary to slacken off mooring to allow passing of other arriving departing MOU's/ vessels. Arrangements/ procedures should be made to allow this to be done within a notification period agreed between the owner and CFPA.

Consideration should be given to buoying off two chasing pennants at their anchors to allow quick attachment to the MOU should it be required.

Liability

Liability will remain with the MOU owner at all times.

Security

The MOU owner will ensure the adequacy of security arrangements to prevent intruders from boarding.

Point of Contact

A point of contact will be required 24/7 for the purposes of incident notification. The MOU owner shall have in place a procedure to deal with all events and emergency situations that may arise.

Procedures

A copy of stacking procedures, risk assessments, mooring analysis, contacts names and numbers, etc. will be provided to CFPA prior to down manning approval being given.