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HARBOUR FACT SHEET

Pettycur Pier



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Description	A single pier running in an east west direction.				
Location	Northern shore of the Firth of Forth			Imray chart No	C27
Limits	The harbour limits, are outlined in the Schedule to the Fife Council Harbours Byelaws 1996, broadly extend as follows: • Around the shoreline to the north of the pier • Approximately 200m west of the pier head • And approximately 175m south of the pier head.				
Approach	The approach to the pier is open from the south to the west but very shallow. The seabed gradually shoals from the pier head to the end, consisting of sand, except for a rocky patch extending 20-30m from the pier head, which should be avoided. There are no official navigation marks on the pier. 1of30responses				
Usage	Fishing vessels. Recreational vessels.				
Latitude (Entrance)	56.062063N	Longitude (Entrance)	3.181224W	Grid Reference	326546,686098
Tidal Range	0.1 to 5.9 m (Chart Datum)	Neap Tide	2.5 m	Spring Tide	5.0 m
Navigational Access	No	Tide Gauge	No	Berths	20 Small Craft
Tugs	No	Anchorage	No	Pilotage	No
Cargo Handling	No	Repair facilities	No	ISPS Compliant	N/A
Maximum Draft	N/A	Maximum Length	N/A	Maximum Beam	N/A

Control Depths/Drafts	Location	Bed Material	Bed Level	Keel Clearance	Note
	Approach	Sand	N/A	Min 1 m	Shallow
	Pier Head	Rocky patch extending 20 – 30m	N/A	N/A	Avoid
	The approach to the pier is relatively shallow from all directions, and the whole length of the pier dries out on low tides. Hence access to the pier is controlled by the height of tide plus a minimum keel clearance.				

Communication	VHF	Calling and Distress/Safety	16	Harbour Operations	11
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Operating Constraints	The main constraint on using the pier is the water depth, which varies with the tide and dries out during low spring tides. The seabed gradually shoals from the pier head to the end and consists of sand
	Due to the relatively shallow nature of the approaches to the pier, high winds and large waves can make the area difficult to navigate.
	When visibility is restricted vessels should consider whether it's safe to approach / leave the pier based on the equipment they have on their vessel and the local knowledge of the skipper.
	The seabed alongside the pier consists of sand, but the seabed immediately off the head of the pier consists of a rocky patch extending 20 – 30m out from the pier head and should be avoided.
	There are no formal mooring provisions (e.g. bollards, rings, moorings, etc.) along the pier, and vessels using the pier set up their own private mooring arrangements.

Aids to Navigation	None

Environmental Sensitivity	Special Area of Conservation (SAC), Special Site of Scientific Interest (SSSI), Special Protection Area (SPA), and a Regionally Important Geological Site (RIGS)
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Environmentally Sensitive Areas	
	

	Responsibility		
General Oil Spillage	Fife Council	Provision of signage stating the organisations to be contacted in the event of an oil spillage when the Harbour Master is not on duty – maximum response time 90 minutes	
		Competent trained operatives including accredited to MCA1 and or MCA4 Oil spill response	
		Provision and storage of Tier 1 oil pollution clean-up and containment materials	
		Equipment	Number
		3m x 13cm Spaghetti Water Boom	0
		50cm x 40cm Absorbent Pads	0
		Protective Chemical Suit	0
	Provision for Tier 2 Specialist Contractor		
Oil Pollution Action	Contact Fife Council immediately Fife Council will implement the Oil Pollution Response Procedure to effectively manage and mitigate the impact of oil pollution incidents.		

Booming Locations
