THE BRISTOL PORT COMPANY

NOTICE TO MARINERS
(No. 10 of 2022)

PORT of BRISTOL
ROYAL PORTBURY and AVONMOUTH DOCKS

RUSSIAN VESSELS – REFUSAL of ENTRY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that due to the current situation in Ukraine the UK Government does not consider it appropriate for Russian vessels to enter UK ports.

With immediate effect, Russian vessels may be refused permission to enter the Port of Bristol. This covers the Royal Portbury Dock and Avonmouth Docks.

For clarity, Russian vessels are defined as vessels that are, or are believed to be:

(i) owned, controlled, chartered or operated by any person connected with Russia;
(ii) owned, controlled, chartered or operated by Designated Persons;
(iii) flying the Russian flag;
(iv) registered in Russia.

This Notice will remain in force until further notice.

A copy of the Secretary of State for Transport's instruction to UK ports is attached.

Jerry Stanford
Haven Master

Marine Department
Avonmouth Dock

1st March 2022

OWNERS, AGENTS AND CHARTERERS SHOULD ENSURE THAT THE CONTENTS OF THIS NOTICE BE MADE KNOWN TO THE MASTERS OR PERSONS IN CHARGE OF THEIR VESSELS OR CRAFT.

Department for Transport

Maritime and Coastguard Agency

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To all UK ports

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Russia's assault on Ukraine is an unprovoked, premeditated attack against a sovereign democratic state. The UK government has been clear there would be massive consequences and a severe cost for any Russian military incursion into Ukraine, and, in coordination with our international allies and partners, we are developing an unprecedented package of further sanctions.

The maritime sector is fundamental to international trade and we must play our part in restricting Russia's economic interests and holding the Russian government to account.

In these circumstances the Department for Transport does not consider it appropriate for Russian vessels to continue to enter UK ports. From this point onwards, UK ports are asked not to provide access to any ship which they have reason to believe is:

- Owned, controlled, chartered, or operated by any person connected with Russia
- Owned, controlled, chartered or operated by Designated Persons
- Flying the Russian flag
- Registered in Russia.

We will seek to support UK ports in identifying Russian ships within scope of the above, and will communicate directly with relevant ports when we identify ships bound for UK ports who fall within scope of the above.

Further detailed sanctions against Russian shipping are being developed and further details will be shared very shortly.

Yours Sincerely,

Rt Hon Grant Shapps MP

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRANSPORT