

ORKNEY ISLANDS COUNCIL
MARINE SERVICES
NOTICE TO MARINERS
No 03/2026

Date 05/03/2026

OBSTRUCTION - RESTRICTION OF BERTHING

1. LOCATION

An obstruction in the form of a protruding unidentified object has been identified on the **eastern pier face of Moclett Pier, Papa Westray**. The precise location of the obstruction is indicated on the attached plan for reference.

2. NAVIGATIONAL RESTRICTION

With immediate effect, **berthing against the eastern face of Moclett Pier is strictly prohibited for all vessels** until further notice.

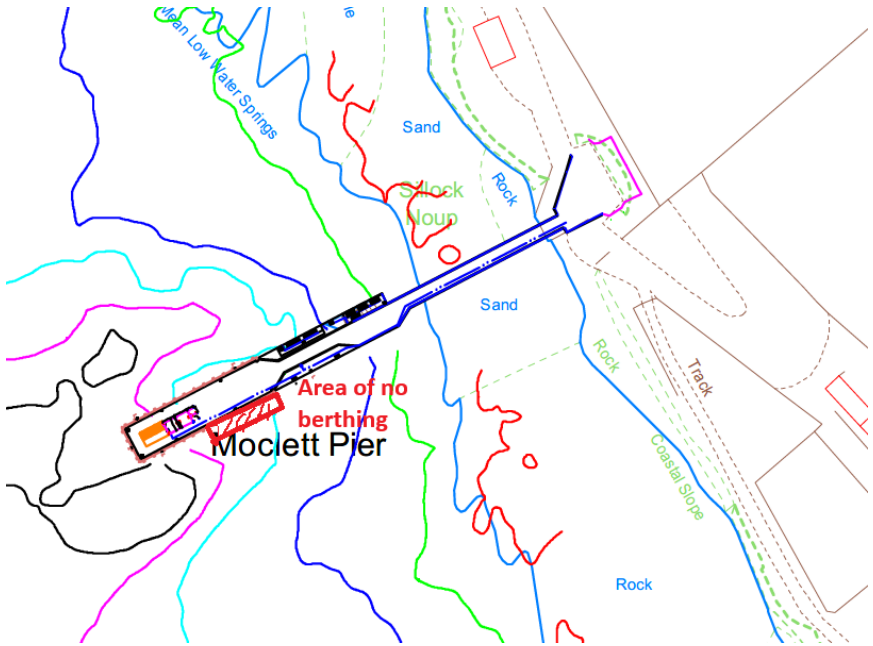
Masters and operators are advised that this restriction applies **solely to the eastern pier face** of Moclett Pier as indicated. The western berth faces remain unaffected by this notice, subject to any other applicable restrictions in force.

3. NATURE OF OBSTRUCTION

The obstruction is currently unidentified. Investigations are ongoing to determine the nature and extent. Mariners are reminded that any contact with the obstruction may cause damage to hull, propulsion, or other underwater fittings.

4. FURTHER NOTICE

A further notice will be issued upon completion of investigations and/or removal of the obstruction. The berthing restriction will remain in force until such time as this notice is formally cancelled.



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