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Notice to all UK Port and Harbour Authorities and those involved in VTS and Local Port Services Training

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Summary

This notice sets out dates for the IALA V103 courses and Local Port Services (LPS) courses programmed for UK Port and Harbour Authorities at MCA accredited training organisations between August 2018 and July 2019.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Annex 1 to this notice sets out the V103 course and LPS course dates available between August 2018 and July 2019. The dates have been agreed and arranged following consultation with Tyne Coast College (formerly South Tyneside College), Blackpool and The Fylde College (Fleetwood Nautical Campus), the Scottish Maritime Academy and the Port of London Authority.
- 1.2 Candidates should contact the training organisations directly as some of the dates contained in Annex 1 may be subject to short notice change. The VTS training organisations should also be consulted to determine any Accredited Prior Learning (APL) requirements especially with regard to non-marine applicants, if appropriate.
- 1.3 Further guidance can be obtained from the current Marine Guidance Note 434 Vessel Traffic Services (VTS) as amended – Training and Certification of VTS Personnel.
- 1.4 This information will be promulgated on an annual basis.



Further Information

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VTS Refresher (V103/5)	
Training Centre	Course Dates
Blackpool & The Fylde College	16 th October 2018 – 18 th October 2018
	26 th March 2019 – 28 th March 2019
	16 th July 2019 – 18 th July 2019
Port of London Authority	9 th October 2018 – 11 th October 2018
	5 th December 2018 – 7 th December 2018
	6 th February 2019 – 8 th February 2019
	5 th June 2019 – 7 th June 2019
Scottish Maritime Academy	30 th October 2018 – 1 st November 2018
	19 th February 2019 – 21 st February 2019
	4 th June 2019 – 6 th June 2019
Tyne Coast College	11 th September 2018 – 13 th September 2018
	9 th October 2018 – 11 th October 2018
	13 th November 2018 – 15 th November 2018
	11 th December 2018 – 13 th December 2018
	22 nd January 2019 – 23 rd January 2019
	19 th March 2019 – 21 st March 2019
	7 th May 2019 – 9 th May 2019
	2 nd July 2019 – 4 th July 2019
VTS VHF Radio	
Tyne Coast College	6 th September 2018 – 7 th September 2018
	3 rd January 2019 – 4 th January 2019
	25 th April 2019 – 26 th April 2019
Blackpool & The Fylde College	<i>Available on request – Please contact college</i>
VTS Nautical Knowledge	
Tyne Coast College	10 th September 2018 – 30 th September 2018

Notes

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- South Tyneside College has changed name to Tyne Coast College following a merger with Tyne Metropolitan College. Additional dates for block bookings and Local Port Service courses are available on request.
- Port of London Authority are continuing to provide VTS courses to their own staff. Any course dates for external candidates will be announced at a later time.

V103 Course Dates from 1 August 2018 to 31 July 2019

ANNEX 1

	7 th January 2019 – 25 th January 2019
	29 th April 2019 – 17 th May 2019
Blackpool & The Fylde College	<i>Available on request – Please contact college B&FC also offer this course by Blended Learning</i>
VTS Radar / ARPA	
Training Centre	Course Dates
Tyne Coast College	1 st October 2018 – 5 th October 2018
	28 th January 2019 – 1 st February 2019
	20 th May 2019 – 24 th May 2019
Blackpool & The Fylde College	15 th October 2018 – 19 th October 2018
	25 th March 2019 – 29 th March 2019
	15 th July 2019 – 19 th July 2019
VTS Operator (V103/1)	
Tyne Coast College	Induction / UPK: W/C 8 th October 2018 Simulator: W/C 15 th October 2018
	Induction / UPK: W/C 4 th February 2018 Simulator: W/C 11 th February 2018
	Induction / UPK: 28 th May 2019 – 1 st June 2019 * Simulator: W/C 3 rd June 2019
Blackpool & The Fylde College	Induction / UPK: W/C 22 nd October 2018 Simulator: W/C 29 th October 2018
	Induction / UPK: W/C 1 st April 2019 Simulator: W/C 8 th April 2019
	Induction / UPK: W/C 22 nd July 2019 Simulator: W/C 29 th July 2019
VTS Supervisor (V103/2)	
Tyne Coast College	29 th October 2018 – 9 th November 2018
	25 th February 2019 – 8 th March 2019
	10 th June 2019 – 21 st June 2019
VTS Instructor (V103/4)	
Tyne Coast College	13 th November 2018 – 15 th November 2018
	5 th February 2019 – 7 th February 2019
	25 th June 2019 – 27 th June 2019

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