

PORT CIRCULAR

Subject: Port Worker Training Policy

To: Stevedore Companies, Cargo Agents,

Consignees, and Other Suppliers of Workers

Handling Ships' Cargo on Port Premises

In accordance with the company's ongoing efforts to improve the safety and efficiency of port operations, Abu Dhabi Ports has established a training policy, with associated requirements, for workers handling ships' cargo on port premises. Details of this policy are contained in the document 'Port Worker Training and Standards' published on the Abu Dhabi Ports' website (www.adports.ae).

In summary, the policy requires that each worker handling ships' cargo must be in possession of an Abu Dhabi Ports' Safety Passport. To secure a Safety Passport the worker must fulfil minimum medical standards, as defined in the policy, and successfully obtain a Level 1 Port Worker Training Certificate from a licensed (approved) training provider; supervisory staff must hold a Level 2 Port Worker Training Certificate. In addition each worker operating cargo handling equipment, or performing other tasks as defined in the policy, must secure an appropriate endorsement on their Safety Passport. The endorsement is granted on successful completion of Abu Dhabi Ports' approved training for the equipment / task, as delivered by a licensed training provider.

The policy will be implemented in stages. From the date of publication of this notice, requests for Abu Dhabi Ports' Training Provider licenses may be submitted. From 1 October 2015, all workers engaged by Abu Dhabi Ports to handle cargo, directly or under contract, must be in possession of a Safety Passport; that is, secured a Level 1 Certificate. Further requirements with regards to Supervisors and Safety Passport endorsements for cargo handling equipment will be notified in due course.

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Interested parties are invited to attend a Port Worker Training Workshop to be held at 10:00 on May 25th at Abu Dhabi Ports' headquarters building, adjacent to Gate 1 Port Zayed.

You may also contact the Licensing Department directly at licensing@adports.ae

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