

**Hawke's Bay Regional Council**  
**Harbourmaster's Direction - 01/2023**  
**Fuel Changeover**

**Date - January 1, 2023**

**Preamble**

This direction is issued pursuant to:

- a) Section 33F of the Maritime Transport Act 1994 (the Act); and
- b) Section 48 and section 60A(2) of the Act, as delegated by the director to the Harbourmaster under section 444(2) of the Act and consented by the Minister of Transport under section 444(4) of the Act; and
- c) the Hawke's Bay Navigation Safety Bylaw (as amended).

**Application**

This applies to all commercial vessels.

**Information**

Vessels undertake fuel changeovers for a variety of reasons, including changing to a compliant fuel to satisfy emission regulations.

**Direction**

Any vessel which is to change between fuel types used for propulsion shall:

- i) when entering the Hawke's Bay Region, complete the fuel changeover and be running on the desired fuel at least four (4) hours prior to entering regional waters;
- ii) when departing from the Hawke's Bay Region, commence the fuel changeover once the vessel is outside of regional waters.

Fuel changeovers within regional waters is strictly prohibited.

Failure to comply with the with the issued direction is liable to enforcement.