

CAPTAIN MICHAEL NICHOLSON AFNI
CONSULTANT

Master Mariner Class 1 STCW II/2.1

Harbour Masters Certificate UKHMA / MCA

O.P.R.C. Pollution Control Level 5 (On Scene Commander)

OHSAS 18001 Health & Safety - Lead Auditor

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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

January 2016 Solis Marine Consultants
Master Mariner Consultant

2003 to 2015 Port of Tyne, UK
Harbour Master and Head of Security

A senior officer within a port having a marine department of 70 staff including pilots, Vessel Traffic Service (VTS) operators, hydrographers and a fleet of harbour craft.

Achieved accreditation to OSHAS 18001 (Safety), ISO 14001 (Environment), and ISPO (International Standards for Pilotage Organisations- safety & quality). Production of Port Marine Safety Code (PMSA), Emergency Response and Pollution Prevention Plans.

Introduced the use of full mission bridge simulators for all aspects of practical pilotage including selection, advancement and examination.



Developed revised mooring arrangements for berths taking cape-size vessels, barges and rigs to the requirements of oil majors.

Managed river deepening projects including channel width determination for larger vessels, together with the preparation of the tendering process and contract through to the overseeing of operations.

2002 to 2003

Seaham Harbour
Harbour Master and Pilot

Responsible for navigation, marine safety, conservancy, dredging and marine advice to the board. Management included the operation and maintenance of pilot boats and tug.

1994 to 2002

River Humber, UK
Marine Pilot – All vessel types to 200,000 tonnes

Pilot for the Humber pilotage district extending over 60 miles and containing the ports of Grimsby, Immingham, Hull and the river Trent and Ouse berths. A large range of vessels handled in a river with strong currents, including Capesize vessels at river terminals and Single Buoy Mooring (SBM).

1990 to 1994.

James Fisher, Barrow, UK
Master - Heavy-Lift Ro-Ro vessels,

Vessels carrying a wide range of heavy loads and project cargoes, including sensitive cargoes and Nuclear Power Station elements.

1979 to 1990

Shell Tankers U.K., Buries Markes of London,

Cadet to third officer with Shell Tankers serving on crude, clean and product tankers and LNG carriers. Third officer to chief officer on chemical tankers and deep-sea geared and gear-less bulk carriers trading world-wide.