



30th May 2025

Dear Deputy Tadier

**Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel
Draft Harbours (Inshore Safety) (Jersey) Amendment Regulations 202- Review**

Thank you for your letter dated 13 May 2025.

With regards to your various points in your letter our response would be as set out below:

- 1 Very rarely - no action therefore required.
- 2 The risk is one of over regulation. We see no tangible benefit in these proposed regulations.
- 3 We feel that there is no need for the proposed draft regulations.
- 4 No.
- 5 The draft regulations do enough on this point.
- 6 No.
- 7 No, in general. The UK Coast Guard does not have specific regulations about alcohol or drug consumption for individuals on the water. In the UK, harbour legislation prohibits a person from navigating a vessel when unfit by reason of drink or drugs.
Under the draft proposed regulations a Harbour Master or police officer will have the right to stop and breathalyse "if in the opinion" of the officer, someone is operating without consideration to others. This is extremely broad and subjective (e.g. a loud jet-ski) and should be better defined.
It is agreed that a zero-tolerance policy towards alcohol or drugs is not practical or possible to enforce.
- 8 Only in the VTS area.
- 9 No, that is too sweeping in our view.
- 10 No.

Thank you for the opportunity to express our opinions on this subject matter. We would welcome the opportunity to discuss with you any points arising from our response.

