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**Estonian Maritime
Administration**

PILOTAGE IN ESTONIA.

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PILOTAGE IN ESTONIA.

General Information

Basic Service Provider, also as only employer for possible deep-sea pilots - “AS Eesti Loots” (State owned company “ Estonian Pilot “) :

- was formed by State in year 2000 (since 2001 in activity)
- it`s stockholder is Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communications;
- 6 stations/ 18 pilot-boats;



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General Information

Estonian Maritime Administration = ISO

- The EN ISO 9001:2008 certificate is for the:
 - Supervision over seafarers training and activities based on certification of seafarers in accordance with STCW 1978 as amended and national legislation.
 - Ship`s supervision.
 - Port`s Supervision.



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“AS Eesti Loots” = ISO

- **The EN ISO 9001:2008 certificate is for the pilotage service rendering sphere.**



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General Information

There are 115 employees in Eesti Loots:

- **45 sea pilots;**
- **47 crew members;**
- **5 operators;**
- **9 drivers;**
- **8 members of the administrative staff;**
- **Technician - housekeeper**



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Pilotage is compulsory in six areas:

- Tallinn
- Kunda-Loksa
- Paldiski
- Väinameri
- Pärnu
- Sillamäe



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General Information

Activities of Eesti Loots:

- **Providing pilotage services**
- **Serving vessels in the pilotage area**
- **Pilotage advice and training**
- **Renting out pilot boats**
- **Providing port services**



PILOTAGE IN ESTONIA.
General Information

In year 2013:

- **10614 pilotage operations, 0 deep-sea pilot operations;**
- **Number of issued PEC's: 30;**
- **Annual turnover: ~ 9,5 Million EUROS.**

**Only some minor incidents when pilot onboard
(mainly during mooring operations in difficult
situations) but no accidents/injuries.**



PILOTAGE IN ESTONIA.

General Information

| STATISTIKA |

Lootsimiste arv
jaanuar–detsember 2013

	Jaan	Veebr	Märts	Apr	Mai	Juuni	Juuli	Aug	Sept	Okt	Nov	Dets	Kokku
Kunda	85	66	85	73	89	78	83	69	88	86	82	67	951
Loksa	0	0	0	4	2	2	0	0	0	1	1	2	12
Pärnu	81	82	84	107	93	78	76	93	69	98	84	103	1048
Väinameri	36	10	19	45	141	116	133	106	96	86	82	74	944
P-Paldiski	85	86	63	41	34	34	27	28	50	80	65	28	621
L-Paldiski	100	97	125	111	121	108	125	137	110	121	116	117	1388
Tallinn	152	111	138	169	238	268	299	277	205	116	127	111	2211
Muuga	247	221	229	240	207	207	190	185	168	205	201	208	2508
Sillamäe	69	45	58	63	74	85	126	73	78	89	81	90	931
Kuu kokku	855	718	801	853	999	976	1059	968	864	882	839	800	10614



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- Number of pilotages by years:

16,518 times in total in 1997;	18,567 times in total in 2005
17,862 times in total in 1998;	16,693 times in total in 2006
17,317 times in total in 1999;	15,485 times in total in 2007
18,660 times in total in 2000;	13,393 times in total in 2008
18,718 times in total in 2001;	10,320 times in total in 2009
18,980 times in total in 2002;	11,439 times in total in 2010
19,808 times in total in 2003;	11,792 times in total in 2011
<u>19,980 times in total in 2004;</u>	11,218 times in total in 2012

10,614 times in 2013



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PILOTAGE IN ESTONIA.

Legislation/Requirements

MARITIME SAFETY ACT

Chapter 13

“Pilotage of Ship”.

and

RELEVANT DECREES

**of the Minister of Economical Affairs and
Communications (see below)**



PILOTAGE IN ESTONIA.
Legislation/Requirements

- The procedures for pilotage and the places for the pilot to embark or disembark a ship;
- The procedures for the issue, revalidation, suspension and cancellation of the Pilotage Exemption Certificate, and the procedures for the examination of the Master and the Chief Mate, and the format of the certificate;



PILOTAGE IN ESTONIA.
Legislation/Requirements

The same national legislation applies to pilots and deep-sea pilots but the requirements are different:

A. Requirements for licensing pilots:

- to be holder of a certificate of competency as Master or Chief Mate of a ship with gross tonnage of 3000 and more

OR

a Certificate of Competency as a Master of a ship with gross tonnage of less than 3000);



PILOTAGE IN ESTONIA.
Legislation/Requirements

- the procedures for applying for the qualification level of pilot and the procedures for the issue, revalidation, suspension and cancellation of the Pilot Identity Card;
- the procedures for examination concerning the applicant for pilotage as well as the pilot;
- the curriculum of pilotage;
- the format of the Pilot Identity Card.



**PILOTAGE IN ESTONIA.
Legislation/Requirements**

- to command the language of Estonian at the level of B2 and the language of English at the level, which allows him/her to fulfil the task of pilotage;
- to have passed the course of restricted radio operator (ROC) and the courses of radar and ARPA, and to be holder of the corresponding certificates;
- to comply with the health requirements for deck officers;



**PILOTAGE IN ESTONIA.
Legislation/Requirements**

- has concluded the service of pilotage, which consists of taking part in at least 150 trips of pilotage, out of which at least 75 have been practical trips of pilotage under the guidance of a sea pilot or a chief sea pilot in the water area of the port or the pilotage area concerned;
- has passed successfully theoretical and practical examinations (in estonian language).



**PILOTAGE IN ESTONIA.
Legislation/Requirements**

B. Requirements for licensing deep-sea pilots:

- has worked as Master or Chief Mate on a ship of gross tonnage 3000 and more for a period of at least 6 years
OR as sea pilot for a period of at least 6 years and who has the qualification of chief sea pilot

PLUS

all other requirements relevant to pilots.



PILOTAGE IN ESTONIA.
Legislation/Requirements

**C. Regulations for issuing a “Pilotage Exemption
Certificate”:**

1. Cargo ships:

- the master who, has visited the port in question on at least 10 times during last 12 months
- has passed successfully theoretical and practical examinations (in estonian language).



PILOTAGE IN ESTONIA. Legislation/Requirements

2. Passenger ships:

- the master and chief mate who, have visited the port in question on at least 10 times during last 12 months;
- has passed successfully theoretical and practical examinations (in estonian language).



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Legislation/Requirements

COMMENT - the changes of our law (Maritime Safety Act) are still in our Parliament (when new legislation coming into force then both languages estonian and english are allowed during PEC examination).



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**PILOTAGE IN ESTONIA.
VTS and shore based pilotage**

Comments:

- all pilot boats are equipped with AIS transponders in Tallinn area;
- our pilot station operator has the same picture, which the VTS operators have in their center.



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**PILOTAGE IN ESTONIA.
VTS and shore based pilotage**

Shore based pilotage is still under discussions (theoretically possible) – no final decision is made yet. Also, necessary to amend existing legislation.



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THANK YOU!

