

# RESPONSE TO COVID-19 FROM PORT TRAINING SERVICES

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Port Training Services, in conjunction with our colleagues at the Port of Blyth, is closely monitoring the situation with the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. Following the Prime Minister's announcement last night, it is clear that the country is entering a new phase in dealing with the outbreak.

With this in mind and given that the health, safety and well-being of our staff, clients and visitors is our number one priority, we can still supply, under the strict Government controls, any essential plant skills training, that may become an urgent requirement to ensure that the vital supply chains of the UK are maintained. This will only be for those who have been formally identified as key workers, either internally or with external organisations who are in the frontline of the fight against COVID-19. All other non-essential training for external organisations will be postponed until it is safe to resume our normal activities.

The PTS team are still working, either remotely at home or following precautions for safe working at the Port Training Centre. We will be available to answer any queries or questions via email or by telephone as follows:

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PTS will also be available to support our vocational students and apprentices based around the UK via online platforms. Any students/apprentices with any questions should directly contact their assessor. Thank you for your understanding at this difficult time. We look forward to continuing to support all of our students, apprentices and customers in the future. Until then please stay safe.

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