PETROL SUPPLIES

Guidance notes on the procedure for conveying petrol in cans on the Oban–Achnacroish CalMac ferry

The only formally approved method for bringing petrol supplies onto Lismore is via the CalMac ferry from Oban. The following guidance notes are intended to assist islanders with meeting the requirements for transporting petrol containers via this route.

Approved Containers

Petrol cans to be conveyed may be of 5, 10, or 20 litre capacity and must be of **UN certified** approved design (this means that they will be marked by the manufacturer with the UN logo followed by a series of code letters and numbers, see below for an example).



There is no longer a need for a Class 3 label on the cans. All cans must be in sound, leak-proof condition.

Transporting Within a vehicle

Up to 5 litres of petrol may be transported in a vehicle. No notification is required and a Dangerous Goods Note (DGN) is not required. The can(s) must be secured to prevent movement.

Transporting Within the Security Cage on Deck

CalMac has provided a secure cage on the deck of the Loch Striven specifically for the carriage of cans of petrol. The maximum volume of petrol that can be carried is 60 litres. This can be made up of any combination of 20 litre, 10 litre and 5 litre cans.

At least 24 hours' notice of intention to take cans (**empty** or **full**) on specific ferry crossings must be given to the CalMac office in Oban (01631 566688).

Petrol cans (both **empty** and **full**) must be accompanied by a completed **Dangerous Goods Note** (DGN). An example of such a DGN with the appropriate sections completed is attached for reference. The DGNs are in sets of four parts (a top and three copies). Only two parts of the DGN are needed for each trip so a single DGN set can be used for two single journeys. The completed parts must be presented to CalMac staff on the ferry. Pads of DGNs can be obtained from CGL Printers in Oban (15 Lochside Street, near Tesco) and Lismore Stores. The forms cost about £1 each.

CalMac does not presently intend to make a charge for the conveyance of petrol.

When petrol is being carried in the security cage, passenger numbers are restricted to 50. In consequence, if more than 50 passengers wish to travel on a sailing for which petrol is booked, carriage of the petrol may be declined.

Please note that these guidance notes have been prepared by Lismore Community Council in consultation with CalMac. Details are correct at the date of circulation below but CalMac may be obliged to make adjustments to these arrangements from time to time. The Community Council expects to publicise any significant changes to these arrangements but the primary responsibility for ensuring that CalMac's requirements for shipping petrol cans are complied will rest with the individual users of this service.

Completing The Dangerous Goods Notice

The following page shows an example Dangerous Goods Note completed for Ann Islander who is transporting two empty 20 litre petrol cans from Lismore to Oban and returning with them full on 30th April 2016. She has booked her car registration SY01CAR onto the Loch Striven and has been given a booking number of 9999999. Obviously, when you complete your form, use your information.