

GUERNSEY STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

2025 No. 22

**The Ro-Ro Sea-links (Prescribed Routes and Ro-Ro
Ferry Services) (Guernsey) Order, 2025**

Made

25 March, 2025

Coming into operation

1 April, 2025

THE COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT and the **POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE**, acting jointly in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by section 28(2) of the Ro-Ro Sea-links (Guernsey) Law, 2024^a and all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby order:-

Prescribed routes.

1. (1) Each of the following routes is prescribed for the purposes of section 28(1) of the Ro-Ro Sea-links (Guernsey) Law, 2024 ("**the Law**") –

- (a) any sea route between a port in the United Kingdom and a port in the Island of Guernsey,

^a Order in Council No. III of 2025.

- (b) any sea route between a port in France and a port in the Island of Guernsey,
- (c) any sea route between a port in the Bailiwick of Jersey and a port in the Island of Guernsey.

(2) For the avoidance of doubt, a reference to a sea route between two ports in paragraph (1)(a), (b) or (c) includes a sea route with a stop-over in any other port between those two ports.

Declaration of Ro-Ro ferry services.

2. (1) A ferry service falling within paragraph (2) or (3) is declared to be a Ro-Ro ferry service for the purposes of the Law, to the extent that the service does not fall within the definition of "**Ro-Ro ferry service**" under section 28(1) and (2)(a) of the Law.

(2) A ferry service falls within this paragraph if it is provided for profit or reward on a route prescribed under article 1 and involves the use of a Ro-Ro vessel on any part of the route (whether or not any other kind of vessel is also involved).

- (3) A ferry service falls within this paragraph if it involves –
- (a) the carriage of cargo or passengers for hire or reward from a port in France or the United Kingdom under an arrangement where the cargo or passengers would be landed in a port in the Island of Guernsey, or
 - (b) the carriage of cargo or passengers for hire or reward from a port in the Island of Guernsey under an

arrangement where the cargo or passengers would be landed in a port in France or the United Kingdom,

and it involves the cargo or passengers being carried on a Ro-Ro vessel on any part of the journey (whether or not the cargo or passengers are also carried by any other kind of vessel on that journey).

Exclusion of authorised services from and to Jersey.

3. (1) Despite articles 1 and 2, a ferry service ("**that service**") provided by any person ("**P**") is declared not to be a Ro-Ro ferry service for the purposes of the Law if –

- (a) that service is provided on any sea route between a port in the Bailiwick of Jersey and a port in the Island of Guernsey (whether or not there is a stop-over between those two ports),
- (b) for the time being, a person holds a concession licence for the provision of Ro-Ro ferry services on the route, and
- (c) both the concession licensee and the Committee for Economic Development have given P written authorisation to provide that service and the authorisation is in force.

(2) In paragraph (1)(c), "**concession licensee**" -

- (a) means the person holding the concession licence mentioned in paragraph (1)(b), and
- (b) for the avoidance of doubt, includes any person to which that licence has been assigned under section 8 of the Law.

Citation.

4. This Order may be cited as the Ro-Ro Sea-links (Prescribed Routes and Ro-Ro Ferry Services) (Guernsey) Order, 2025.

Commencement.

5. This Order shall come into force on the 1st April, 2025.

Dated this twenty fifth day of March, 2025



Deputy Lyndon Trott OBE

President of the Policy & Resources Committee

For and on behalf of the Committee



Deputy Neil Inder

President of the Committee for Economic Development

For and on behalf of the Committee

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order prescribes routes for the purposes of section 28(1) of the Ro-Ro Sea-links (Guernsey) Law, 2024. A ferry service provided for profit or reward using a Ro-Ro vessel on any of those routes would constitute a Ro-Ro ferry service, and the provision of such a ferry service is prohibited except under the authority of a licence granted under that Law.

This Order also declares two other descriptions of ferry services to be Ro-Ro ferry services for the purposes of that Law.

Finally, this Order declares that ferry services provided to or from Jersey are not Ro-Ro ferry services for the purposes of the Law if the provider is authorised to provide that service by both the concession licensee for that route and the Committee for Economic Development.

This Order comes into force on the 1st April, 2025.