



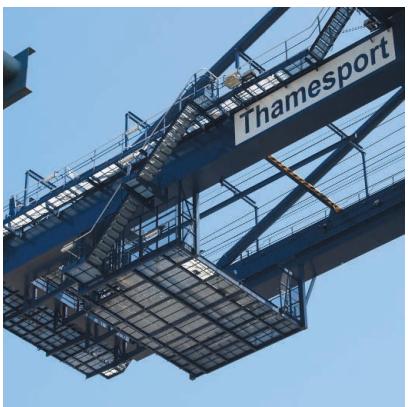
**London
Thamesport**

The UK's Only Automated Port

London Thamesport, owned and operated by Hutchison Ports (UK) Limited ('HPUK'), is situated in the South East of England, approximately 35 miles East of Central London. As the only automated container port in the UK, London Thamesport and its workforce of skilled and dedicated professionals is proud of the highly efficient service levels provided to all port users.

As the size of vessels serving the UK continues to increase, HPUK will continue to develop London Thamesport, thus allowing its customers to more efficiently make use of the available capacity at the Port.





Ships

London Thamesport is equipped with a 650-metre quay and seven quay cranes, across two berths, dredged to 15 metres alongside. The redevelopment work now underway at the Port will allow London Thamesport to continue to provide vessel operators with the required deep water and flexibility necessary to be able to berth larger vessels without delay.

Containers

Ample storage areas are available at London Thamesport for shipping lines plying their trade in the UK. The nine automated laden container-stacking areas and additional laden container parks offer lines and their customers a safe and secure storage facility, whilst large empty container storage parks are also available.

London Thamesport has a repair and maintenance depot operated by Maritime Container Services (MCS), a division of London Thamesport, providing shipping lines with the opportunity to carry out on-site inspections and effect repairs to any containers that become damaged in transit.

Temperature Controlled Cargo

MCS are tasked with the preparatory work involved for the loading of temperature-controlled containers and the monitoring of those import containers that are landed at London Thamesport and stored in the refrigerated container storage gantries.

Foodstuffs

London Thamesport has enhanced its modern Border Inspection Post ('BIP') – a facility designed to allow a speedy inspection service for those statutory organisations empowered to examine containers holding foodstuffs that enter the UK through the Port. As a result of significant investment, the facilities at London Thamesport comfortably exceed the current EU guidelines for a BIP.

Whether a cargo is ambient or temperature-controlled, the facilities available allow cargo to pass through the Port with the minimum of disruption to the supply chain. Typically, containers pass through the inspection process at London Thamesport within 24 hours of request.

MCS are again able to prepare containers so that they are ready and suitable for the handling of foodstuffs (to a 'clean, dry and odour-free' standard).

Trucks

The main motorway network (A2/M25) lies approximately 25 minutes from the Port gate. Traffic control on the main access road allows steady progress for hauliers journeying to the Port for the collection of import containers, or, when delivering exports to the Port.

Road hauliers using the main routes to or from London Thamesport are now able to benefit from significant infrastructure upgrades. A modern dual carriageway is available to drivers for much of the journey to and from the Port.

Trains

London Thamesport has a highly efficient, dedicated rail terminal, handling a number of daily intermodal rail services connecting the Port to the industrial North, North-West and Midlands of the UK. The three train-operating companies involved at London Thamesport provide opportunities for all Port users to transport containers to and from the Port on frequent and reliable rail services.

The rail services operating out of London Thamesport link the Port to Birmingham, Tamworth, Daventry, Manchester, Doncaster, Leeds and Glasgow. The three train-operating companies working at London Thamesport are EWS Network, Fastline Freight Limited and Freightliner Limited.

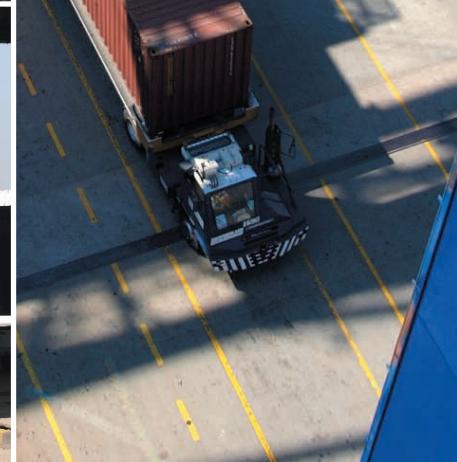
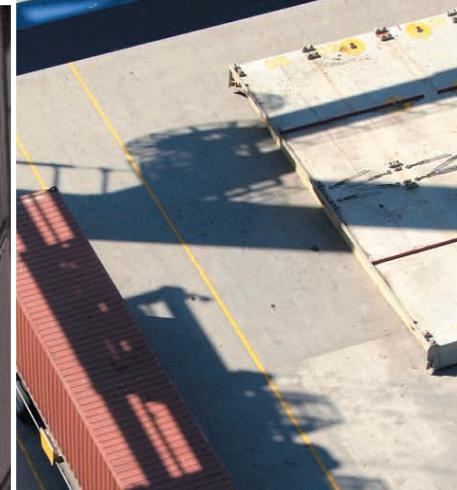
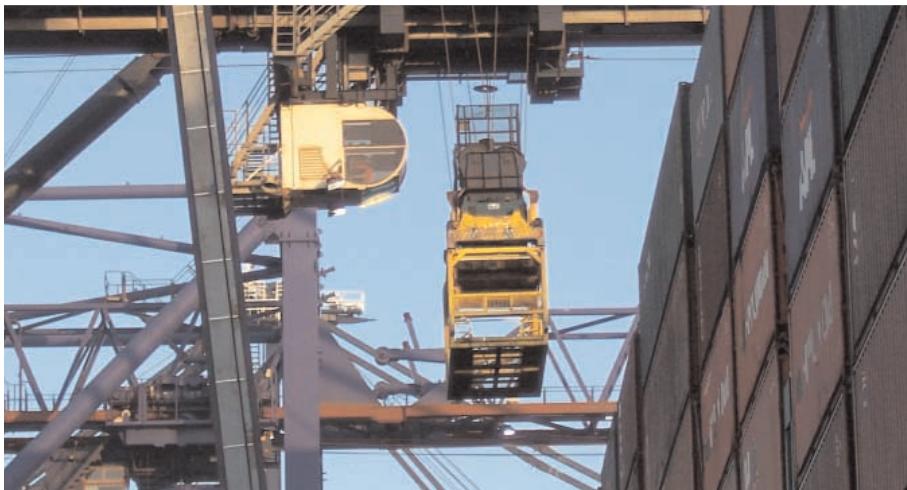
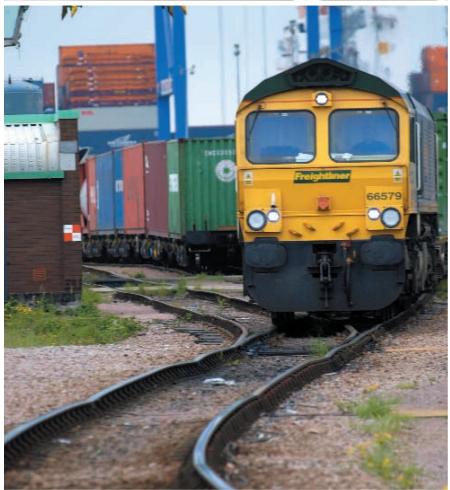
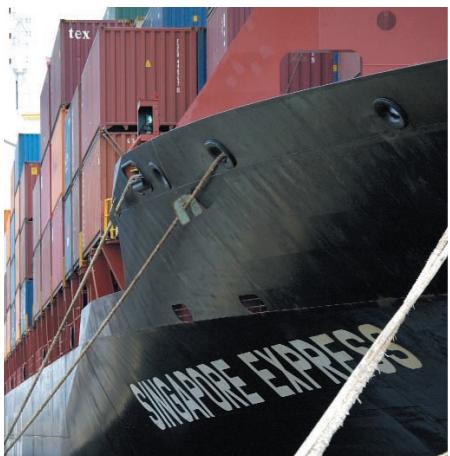
London Thamesport is committed to promoting the use of sustainable modes of transport for freight, and, as part of the continued development of the Port, has plans to improve its rail facilities still further. In late 2008, the Port intends to create an additional working area between the rail-mounted gantry cranes, which will allow efficient working of trains with a 24-wagon length.



Plan of the Port



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'Port-centric' Logistics

London Thamesport's entire port operations are geared towards ensuring that the whole cargo-handling experience is as smooth, swift and efficient as possible.

'Port-centric' services at London Thamesport include:

- Clearance and Freight Forwarding services
- End-to-end supply chain management
- Origin consolidation and warehousing services
- Global sea freight management service
- Inland delivery by road and rail
- Fully-bonded warehousing/product reworking/cross-docking/delivery
- State-of-the-art IT systems
- Modern HM Revenue and Customs inspection facilities
- Transhipment
- Devanning

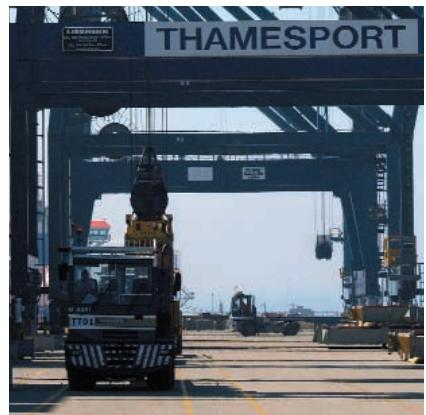
Information Technology

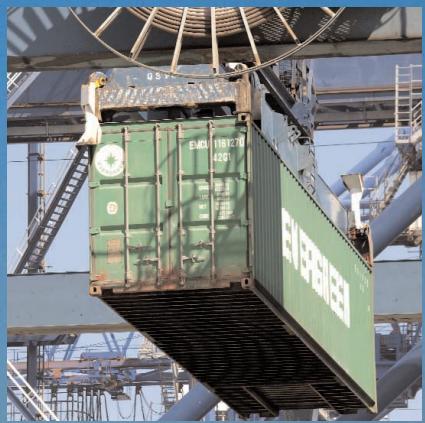
London Thamesport remains at the forefront of the port industry with its application of information technology. The Port's computerised Customs clearance system, 'Destin8', has been developed in close co-operation with the Port's customers and HM Revenue and Customs. The system is regularly upgraded and enhanced to meet the needs of increasing global trade patterns. Destin8 is used for import and export containers, transhipment of containers and Dangerous Goods declarations.

London Thamesport will continue to invest in IT over the coming years in order to maintain its pre-eminent position in the UK.

Website

London Thamesport's website at www.londonthamesport.co.uk is regularly updated with interesting news and developments. Other important information is also available online, including, a directory of haulage companies serving the Port, commercial and operational documents and updates and the Port Tariff.







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