

Book Review: New guide to bunker operations
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Nigel Draffin

Another guide to aspects of the bunker industry has been published by **Petrospot Ltd.** An **Introduction to Bunker Operations** has been written by Nigel Draffin, Senior Broker and Technical manager at **LQM Petroleum Services.**

"I know from the questions I have been asked over the years that for most of us, the operations involved seem to throw up problems and restrictions that we do not understand.

"This book is intended to explain and put the whole process into context," said Draffin.

Petrospot said there were "many in the industry" who might never "get their hands dirty on a bunker barge, oil terminal or receiving vessel but who, nevertheless, need to understand exactly how the industry works."

It went on: "This is where Nigel Draffin's latest book comes into its own."

The book has photographs, charts and diagrams to help readers visualise important aspects of bunker operations.

"It covers everything that needs to be understood and remembered, from plugging scuppers to fastening bolts on a bunker flange, and covers storage, measuring, delivery, sampling and handling of bunker fuels and debunking," said Petrospot.

Capt. Cees de Keijzer, former Senior Policy Adviser and Bunker Coordinator at the **Port of Rotterdam**, writing in the book's foreword, said: "I am convinced that this book will be of great help to anyone involved in storing, blending, delivering, sampling or handling marine fuels in whatever way, now and in the future."

An Introduction to Bunker Operations is the latest in a series of books for the bunker industry written by Draffin and published by Petrospot.

In 2008, *An Introduction to Bunkering* was published, followed last year by *An Introduction to Fuel Analysis*.

More information can be found on www.petrospot.com/books.

The website shows the price of the 142-page book as \$100 / euros 65 / £60.

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