CREW TRAVEL – LERWICK Arrival/Transfer Information

A crossroads in the north-east Atlantic - please visit <u>www.tallshipsraceslerwick.com</u> for full travel details and please ensure you book crew travel early as there is a high demand for visitor travel to Shetland during the event period, and places are available on a first come first served basis. Crew transfers will take place most official port days. There are excellent transport links to Shetland with daily flights and a ferry service to and from the Scottish mainland.

By Air:

There are several daily flights to and from Sumburgh Airport, situated around 26 miles south of Lerwick at the southern tip of the island. The flight schedule is managed by Loganair, and it takes around 1 hour from Aberdeen or 90 minutes from Glasgow, Edinburgh, or Inverness. Inverness flights include a brief stop at Kirkwall in the Orkney Islands. Loganair also operate connecting flights to a number of other regional and major UK airports including London and Manchester. Direct flights from Shetland to Bergen are available in the summer months.

Transfers between Sumburgh Airport and Lerwick will be available during the crew transfer dates.

Aberdeen Airport is only seven miles from the ferry terminal with regular services to and from major British and European cities. There are regular trains and bus services operated by First and Citylink to/from Aberdeen.

By Ferry:

The Lerwick Ferry Terminal is located next to one of the main Tall Ships berthing areas. At ferry arrival, shuttle buses will be available to transfer crew to other Tall Ship berthing areas.

An overnight ferry operates every day between Aberdeen and Lerwick. This service is provided by Serco NorthLink Ferries and takes between 12 and 14 hours — earlier departures are scheduled on days where the ship stops at Orkney on the route. Cabin accommodation is available, as are more economic options such as reclining seats or seating pods. The ships have bar, café, restaurant, and cinema facilities for passengers. Visit www.northlinkferries.co.uk for information on fares and how to book your passage.

By Bus:

Shetland has a comprehensive bus network of frequent mainline services, rural connecting services and bookable dial-a-ride services.

https://www.zettrans.org.uk/travel/public-transport/bus

Taxi info:

There are numerous taxi companies in Shetland, with services operating 24 hours a day, to get you where you want to go. The taxi rank in Lerwick is located on Victoria Pier, opposite the Market Cross, and there is usually a queue of taxis waiting here throughout the day. To book in advance please click the link for local taxi company details https://www.shetland.org/visit/plan/getting-around/taxis