



Marine Safety Information Bulletin
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October 10, 2020
Hurricane Delta
Port Condition Zulu – Calcasieu Waterway
Port Condition Recovery – Sabine-Neches Waterway

The National Weather Service (NWS) has issued its final advisory on Hurricane Delta.

As of 8:00 PM, October 10, 2020, Port Condition Zulu remains in effect for the Calcasieu Waterway.

Effective at 8:00 P.M. CDT, October 10, 2020, the Captain of the Port, Port Arthur (COTP) has set **Port Condition RECOVERY** for the ports of Beaumont, TX; Port Arthur, TX; Orange, TX; Sabine, TX.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), U.S. Coast Guard and select private assets continue to assess and survey these waterways and make recommendations for the safe reopening of the waterway.

Permission for vessel movements on these waterways will be managed by the Marine Safety Unit (MSU) Port Arthur Captain of the Port and MSU Lake Charles as follows:

Calcasieu Waterway

1. No vessel movements allowed at this time.

Sabine Neches Waterway

The Sabine-Neches Waterway is open to traffic with the following restrictions:

1. The Intracoastal Waterway from Port Arthur, TX west to Bolivar Roads and from Orange, TX east to the Calcasieu Locks is restricted to tow vessels with empty barges only.
2. Loaded tows may operate on the Neches and Sabine Rivers to Orange, TX.
3. Vessels greater than 500-gross tons (GT), are restricted to a draft of 30-feet and less during daylight hours only.
4. Requests for vessel movements outside of the above listed restrictions must be approved by the Captain of the Port. For movement requests contact "Port Arthur Traffic" on VHF-FM 01A or 65A or by phone to (409) 719-5070.

5. Vessels given permission to transit should continue to exercise extreme caution due to unknown hazards. They are required to report wrecks, hazards, aids to navigation discrepancies, oil pollution or other concerns to the contacts listed above.

The Coast Guard will issue a Broadcast Notice to Mariners and Marine Safety Information Bulletins updating Port Conditions as needed.

This notice will be posted on the Coast Guard's HOMEPORT website at <http://homeport.uscg.mil> and the VTS website at <https://www.atlanticarea.uscg.mil/vtsportarthur/>. If you have any questions regarding this notice, please call MSU Port Arthur at (409) 723-6500 or MSU Lake Charles at (337) 912-0073.

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