

Marine Safety Information Bulletin

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Port Condition Yankee: HURRICANE BERYL

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Due to the increased intensity of HURRICANE BERYL, the U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port Corpus Christi (COTP) has set Port Condition Yankee and established a temporary safety zone for all ports servicing deep draft vessels in the COTP Zone area of responsibility from the Colorado Locks to the U.S. Mexico border (including the ports of Port Lavaca- Point Comfort, Palacios, Victoria, West Calhoun, Corpus Christi, Port Mansfield, Harlingen, Port Isabel, and Brownsville), effective 2:00p.m. on July 6, 2024. Gale force winds associated with tropical cyclone activity are expected to arrive at within 24 hours.

No vessels may enter, transit, or remain within the safety zone without the permission of the Captain of the Port. The following additional requirements are in effect:

- All self-propelled oceangoing vessels over 500GT and all barges and their supporting tugs remaining in port must be at their mooring site in accordance with arrangements as approved by the Captain of the Port.
- Movement of all self-propelled oceangoing vessels over 500GT and all barges and their supporting tugs within the ports is prohibited without prior approval of the Captain of the Port.
- All self-propelled oceangoing vessels over 500GT and all barges and their supporting tugs desiring to depart the port must contact the Captain of the Port at 361-939-0450 to arrange immediate departure prior to port closure.
- All transfer operations shall cease upon arrival of 40 mph winds. All vessels intending to leave port and requiring bunkers shall plan accordingly to ensure preparations for departure are complete by 12 hours prior to the arrival of gale force winds from the storm. Disconnect all transfer hoses and loading arms when wind speeds exceed 50 mph.

Mariners are reminded that the Corpus Christi Inner Harbor Security Zone (33 CFR 165.809) remains in effect during severe weather. Recreational, commercial fishing and passenger vessels are not permitted to enter the security zone without permission of the COTP. Vessels must have a prearranged agreement with the COTP to enter the Inner Harbor as a safe refuge.

Port Condition Checklists are located in MSIB 32-24, located under the Corpus Christi Port Directory on Homeport. Mariners and facilities are requested to observe weather reports and stand by for further direction.

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