

Title: Devonport Provisional Operating Parameters

Port: Port of Devonport

References:

- MAST Notice to Mariners M053-22(T)
- Harbour Masters Instruction EXT HMI 22-09 is hereby cancelled

Description:

Due to the recent sinking of two tugs at Devonport berth 3W there remains a risk of pollution. Oil spill booms remain in place around the wrecks to capture and contain ongoing release of oil. Unlit white marker buoys identify the oil spill boom anchor points and sit approximately 30m from the boom edge. Two yellow special marker buoys are placed adjacent to the anchor buoys. The wrecks are susceptible to turbulent flow from vessel propulsion dispersing oil within the wrecks and the wrecks are at risk of destabilization which may result in further release of pollution. Initial salvage diving operations around wrecks have concluded. A prohibited area is established around the wreck site as detailed in MAST NtoM M053-22(T). TasPorts is maintaining an oil pollution response team onsite undertaking regular skimming activities.

Scheduled shipping:

- Where safe to do so, vessels are not to exceed 10kts within the entrance channel, and 5 kts within the cut.
- To reduce propulsive and manoeuvring wash and turbulence around the wrecks, scheduled shipping movements are limited to winds not exceeding 25 kts average, and 30 kts gust as recorded by the TasPorts instrumentation in the Devonport swing basin.
- Delays due to scheduled movements are to be advised to Devonport VTS at soonest opportunity, but not less than 30 minutes prior to departure or arrival.

All other vessels are requested to give a wide berth and reduce speed to minimise wash when approaching or passing Devonport 3W.

Communications:

TasPorts:

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- Devonport VTS 03 6380 3013 VHF Ch 14

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