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IJmond North Sea Canal Area
Central Nautical Management

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Subject: : Expansion and reorganisation of VTS sectors North Sea Canal Area

The director of the Central Nautical Management North Sea Canal Area (CNB) announces the following:

As of Tuesday **30 September at 06.00 hours**, the classification of the VTS sectors in the North Sea Canal will be changed. The number of VTS sectors will be expanded and the existing classification will be revised.

The new sector classification contributes to a more balanced distribution of the workload, improved communication between traffic controllers and waterway users, and increased nautical safety in the area.

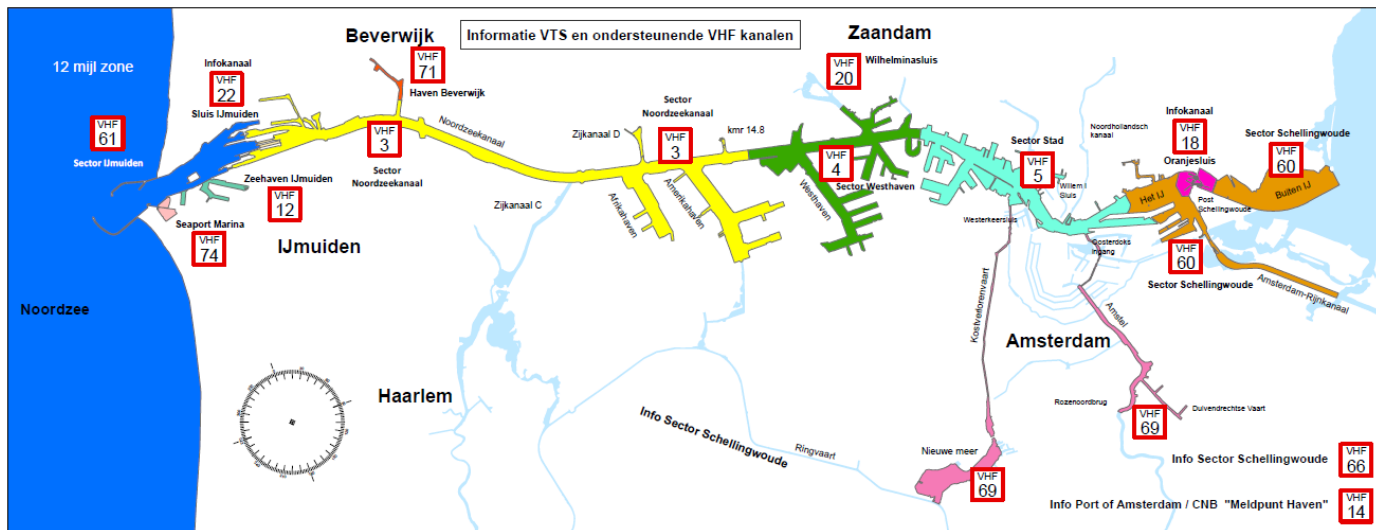
The new sector classification is as follows (from west to east):

Sector IJmuiden (VHF channel 61): from 12 nautical miles outside the piers to the lock complex at IJmuiden;

North Sea Canal Sector (VHF channel 03): from the IJmuiden lock complex to km 14.8 of the North Sea Canal;

Westhaven sector (VHF channel 04): from km 14.8 to km 19.6 of the North Sea Canal;

Sector City (VHF channel 05): from km 19.6 to buoy IJ 10 of the Closed IJ.



Consequences for shipping:

From the above date, shipping must take into account the changed sector boundaries and associated VHF channels. From that moment on, traffic control will be carried out according to the new sector classification.

Waterway users are urged to take note of this change and to take the necessary measures to continue to make safe and correct use of the nautical services in the North Sea Canal area.

Contact:

If you have any questions about this announcement, please contact the Harbour Master's Division, Traffic Control Department 020-5234600 (option 1) or by e-mail via vtsadmin@portofamsterdam.com.

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