



ANNOUNCEMENT TO SHIPPING
IJmond North Sea Canal Area
Central Nautical Management (CNB)

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IJmuiden, 25 September 2025

Subject: Admission policy IJ-geul and Deep-Water berths

The Director of the Central Nautical Management North Sea Canal Area, who is also State Harbour Master, announces the following:

Having regard to:

- Extension of the mandate of temporary provision of Nautical Management IJ-geul to the CNB dated 12 May 2006 by Chief Engineer-Director RWS North Sea;
- Article 17 of the Shipping Regulations for the territorial sea.

Having considered that:

- The Director General of Rijkswaterstaat (RWS), the executive agency of the Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management, has mandated the Director of Central Nautical Management of the North Sea Canal Area to determine the admission policy of the IJ-geul;
- The Director General of Rijkswaterstaat (RWS), the executive agency of the Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management, has mandated the Director of Central Nautical Management of the North Sea Canal Area to determine the admission policy of the Deep-Water berths;
- The Chief Engineer-Director of RWS North Sea has mandated the Director of Central Nautical Management of the North Sea Canal Area with the nautical management of the IJ-geul;

With this decree, the Director of the CNB intends to establish the admission policy for the IJ-geul and the Deep-Water berths outside the locks.

Decree:

Admission policy IJ-geul

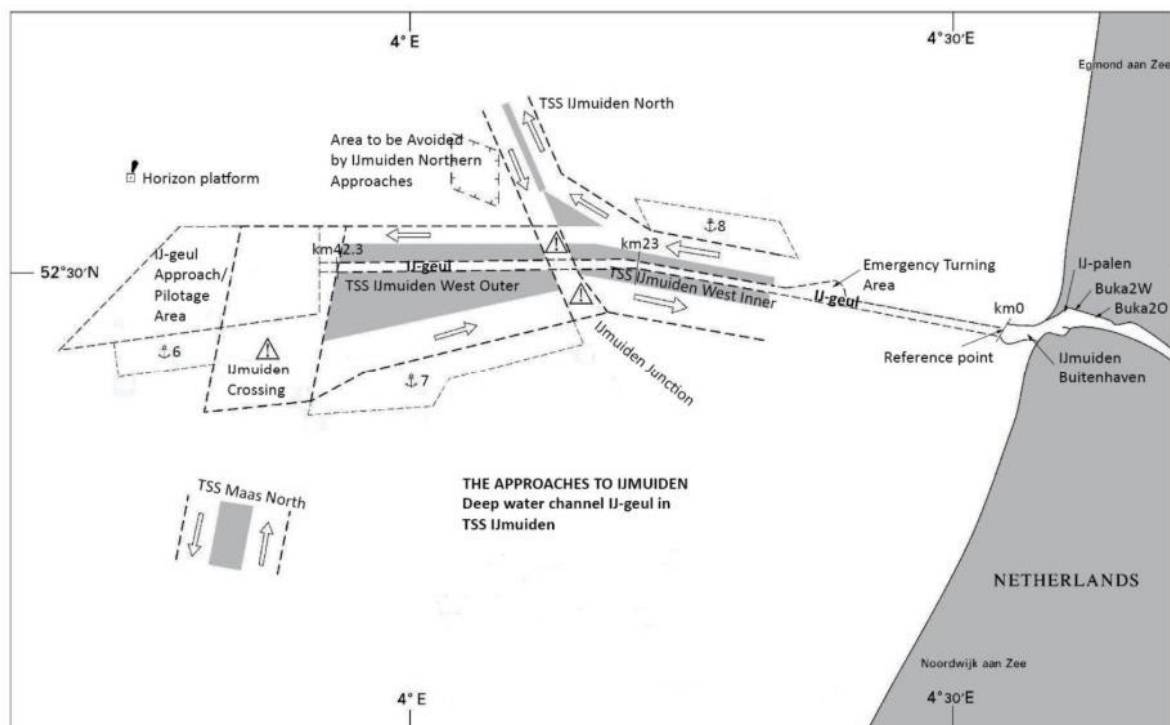
Key requirements for vessels to be admitted to the IJ-geul:

- Ships with a draught of > 14.10 m s.w.₁ to a maximum of 17.80 m s.w. with destination IJmuiden are IJ-geul bound and required to use the IJ-geul;
- IJ-geul bound ships make use of anchorage A, B and C in the Deep-Water anchorage no. 6, should they wish to, or have to anchor;
- IJ-geul bound ships must await pilotage in the IJ-geul Approach Area, to the west of IJmuiden Crossing precautionary area;
IJ-geul bound ships pass the IJ-geul with the help of a tidal window advice prescribed by the Minister;

- This tidal window advice is issued to the IJ-geul bound ships and the Central Nautical Management by the Hydro-Meteorological Centre (Hydro Meteo Centrum).
- Only two channel-bound vessels per tidal window can pass the harbour entrance in the same direction as long as the tidal window for passing the harbour entrance is present for at least 1½ hours, and there is a space of at least 30 minutes between the channel-bound vessels.

IJ-geul-bound vessels are only admitted if they have applied for and been issued a tidal window advice. In addition to the administrative ship data, the following up-to-date stability data for the ship must be provided for the tidal window advice programme:

- Displacement (in metric tonnes) corresponding to the current draught
- Metacentric height GM (in metres)
- Correction for free fluid surface effect GG' (in metres)
- G'M, in metres.





Admission policy Deep-Water berths in IJmuiden

The following restrictions apply to the Deep-Water berths:

- 1. IJmuiden lightering facility (IJ-palen):** Maximum vessel dimensions: length ≤ 310 m, beam according to the international tonnage certificate ≤ 45 m and draught in seawater ≤ 17.80 m.¹
- 2. Buitenhaven kade 2 west:** Maximum draught permitted 16.9 m s.w.¹
- 3. Buitenhaven kade 2 oost :** Maximum draught permitted 14.9 m s.w.¹

This announcement supersedes the announcement 22/2017.

¹ s.w.: Salt water, water with a density of 1,025 t/m³.

If you have any questions about this Announcement , please get in touch with the Operations Manager on duty by phoning +31(0)20 - 5234692.

The Director of the Central Nautical Management North Sea Canal Area Harbour/Master of the Port of Amsterdam,

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A. J. J. A. J.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mateyo' with a stylized flourish underneath.

J.H.M. Mateyo

In accordance with the Algemene Wet Bestuursrecht (the Dutch General Administrative Law Act), any interested party can lodge a notice of objection against a decision within six weeks after its publication. The notice of objection must be addressed to the Director-General for Public Works and Water Management (Rijkswaterstaat), PO Box 20906, 2500 EX, The Hague. The notice of objection must be submitted within six weeks after the day on which the decree was made public (sent or issued). No fees are charged for the processing of the notice of objection. The notice of objection must be signed and must contain at least the following information:

- name and address of the person lodging the objection
- the date
- a description of the decree which is being objected to (including date and number or reference number)
- a list of the reasons why the complainant objects to the decree
- if possible, a copy of the decree being objected to.

If a notice of objection has been lodged against the decision, it is furthermore possible to submit an application for provisional relief to the judge in preliminary relief proceedings of the District Court within whose judicial district the applicant has his place of residence in the Netherlands. The applicant should be able to invoke an urgent interest. A court fee is charged from the applicant. Please contact the court registry of the competent court for any information about the level of the amount due, the manner in which, and the period within which the amount shall be payable. An application for provisional relief may also be submitted digitally, at <http://loket.rechtspraak.nl/bestuursrecht>. To do this, you must have a digital signature (DigiD).