

PACIFIC PILOTAGE AUTHORITY

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NOTICE TO INDUSTRY

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Subject: Active Pass & Porlier Pass

Geographic Area: Southern Gulf Islands

Communication: Piloted vessel transits through Active Pass & Porlier Pass

Details:

Effective immediately, piloted vessels carrying oil, pollutants or hazardous cargoes in bulk will not transit Active Pass or Porlier Pass. These interim requirements will be in effect until a risk assessment is completed for commercial vessels transiting Active Pass and Porlier Pass.

In addition, the following will apply until such time as a formal risk review is undertaken:

- All vessels under pilotage should avoid transiting Active Pass and Porlier Pass.
- Non-tank vessels with an overall length of 150 metres or less, carrying non-pollutant cargoes, may transit Active Pass when special circumstances and/or prevailing conditions warrant.
- Vessels that require tug escorts or have poor manoeuvring characteristics may not transit Active Pass or Porlier Pass.
- Pilots on vessels that are required to transit Active Pass should first contact the BC Coast Pilots Director on Call who in turn will liaise with PPA on the issue at hand.

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