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NOTICE TO INDUSTRY

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Subject: Anchorage information

Geographic Area: Southern Gulf Islands, Salish Sea

Details:

1. Anchorage requests for ships must be processed via the Harbour Master's Office at VFPA.
2. Anchoring and controlling depths are taken from CHS charts. The anchoring depths are the center points of the anchor circles. The controlling depths are the shoalest spots within, or just outside, the anchor swing circles.
3. Laden Panamax vessels with drafts of ten (10) metres or greater require daylight to transit through Houston Pass.
4. Plumper Sound 'X' is designated as an emergency anchorage. It may be designated for non-emergency use by VFPA, or PPA, or used by the pilots at short notice if circumstances demand.
5. Vessels with an overall length of 240 metres or greater require daylight to transit between Portlock Point & Trincomali Channel.
6. While at anchor, all vessels shall have maximum safe ballast on board, maintain an appropriate trim to keep the ship's propeller and rudder below the water line, have their engines on standby, have the second anchor ready to deploy, and be prepared to take appropriate action during inclement weather conditions.
7. While at anchor, all vessels shall comply with the code of conduct for anchoring in the SGI area.

Captain's Pass

Name	Latitude (N)	Longitude (W)	Max. LOA (metres)	Anchoring Depth (m)	Controlling Depth (m)	Swing Radius
CPA	48º 49.62'	123º 26.12'	200	19	17.7	2.5 cables
CPB	48º 48.52'	123º 24.20'	200	38	23.3	2.5 cables

Cowichan Bay

Name	Latitude (N)	Longitude (W)	Max. LOA (metres)	Anchoring Depth (m)	Controlling Depth (m)	Swing Radius
CAA	48º 44.96'	123º 35.86'	240	55	18.8	3.5 cables
CAB	48º 44.02'	123º 34.35'	185	55	23.7	2.6 cables
CAC	48º 43.80'	123º 33.40'	310	60	50.0	3.6 cables
CAD	48º 43.27'	123º 32.60'	310	65	12.0	3.5 cables
CAE	48º 42.80'	123º 31.78'	200	70	11.6	3.1 cables
CAF	48º 42.08'	123º 31.94'	260	60	11.6	3.3 cables

Houston Pass

Name	Latitude (N)	Longitude (W)	Max. LOA (metres)	Anchoring Depth (m)	Controlling Depth (m)	Swing Radius
HP1	48º 57.38'	123º 37.07'	200.00	24.0	24.0	2.5 cables
HP2	48º 56.68'	123º 37.08'	183.00	31.0	20.0	2.0 cables
HP3	48º 56.09'	123º 37.02'	200.00	28.0	20.0	2.5 cables

Kuleet Bay

Name	Latitude (N)	Longitude (W)	Max. LOA (metres)	Anchoring Depth (m)	Controlling Depth (m)	Swing Radius
KB1	49º 01.38'	123º 46.35'	180.00	37	15.0	2.5 cables
KB2	49º 01.03'	123º 45.64'	180.00	55	30.0	2.5 cables

Ladysmith

Name	Latitude (N)	Longitude (W)	Max. LOA (metres)	Anchoring Depth (m)	Controlling Depth (m)	Swing Radius
LSA	48º 58.80'	123º 47.20'	225	20	16.1	2.5 cables
LSB	48º 58.50'	123º 46.40'	200	37	26.3	2.7 cables
LSC	48º 58.40'	123º 45.34'	230	65	23.5	3.6 cables
LSD	48º 57.90'	123º 44.48'	230	73	47.0	3.7 cables
LSE	48º 57.28'	123º 43.80'	230	60	24.0	3.7 cables
LSF	48º 56.65'	123º 43.13'	230	60	31.0	3.6 cables

Plumper Sound

Name	Latitude (N)	Longitude (W)	Max. LOA (metres)	Anchoring Depth (m)	Controlling Depth (m)	Swing Radius
PSA	48º 48.05'	123º 14.12'	200	35	13.7	2.2 cables
PSB	48º 47.56'	123º 13.73'	260	20	18.8	2.3 cables
PSC	48º 47.02'	123º 13.47'	260	18	14.6	2.2 cables
PSD	48º 46.35'	123º 13.27'	310	15	14.2	3.5 cables
PSX	48º 45.89'	123º 12.58'	230	30	18.3	2.5 cables

Trincomali Channel

Name	Latitude (N)	Longitude (W)	Max. LOA (metres)	Anchoring Depth (m)	Controlling Depth (m)	Swing Radius
TR1	49º 01.09'	123º 37.77'	310.00	43.0	38.0	3.0 cables
TR2	49º 01.39'	123º 39.98'	310.00	36.0	33.0	3.0 cables
TR3	49º 01.94'	123º 38.77'	265.00	38.0	26.0	3.0 cables
TR4	49º 02.16'	123º 41.03'	310.00	43.0	20.0	3.0 cables
TR5	49º 02.69'	123º 39.76'	265.00	41.0	40.0	3.0 cables

TR6	49º 03.19'	123º 41.11'	310.00	55.0	46.0	3.0 cables
TR7	49º 05.32'	123º 41.78'	200.00	57.0	30.0	3.0 cables
TR8	49º 06.08'	123º 42.77'	260.00	58.0	57.0	3.0 cables
TR9	49º 06.92'	123º 43.70'	260.00	55.0	44.0	3.0 cables

If there are any queries on the contents of this notice, please contact the PPA at marineops@ppa.gc.ca.