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SET HURRICANE CONDITION YANKEE IN THE PORTS OF NORTHEAST AND EAST CENTRAL FLORIDA

Based on the current predicted track of Hurricane Mathew, effective **6:00 p.m. on October 4, 2016**, the Captain of the Port (COTP) Jacksonville will set Hurricane Condition YANKEE (sustained gale force winds due to Tropical Cyclone activity are predicted within 24 hours) in the Ports of Canaveral, Jacksonville, and Fernandina.

At Condition YANKEE, **no vessel over 500 gross tons may enter the port without the permission of the COTP.** Vessels requesting to enter port must submit a written request to the jaxdomestic@uscg.mil and jmasttpsc@uscg.mil email addresses.

All Masters of vessels over 500 gross tons, including tugs and barges, should be making preparations to **depart the port at least four hours prior to the predicted onset of gale force winds.**

All vessels that intend to remain in port must have an approved Remain in Port Request. If you have submitted a Remain In Port Request to the COTP and have not received approval, you should contact the Remain in Port Liaison Officer. All vessel owners and operators with pre-approved lay-up plans shall notify Sector Jacksonville immediately if the vessel intends to remain in port during the storm.

- For Remain in Port Requests for the Port of Canaveral, please send requests to the Remain in Port Liaison Officer (RIPO) at msdportcanaveral@uscg.mil. If you have any questions regarding remain in port requests please contact MST2 Rogers at (321) 784-6780.
- For Remain in Port Requests for the Ports of Jacksonville and Fernandina, please send requests to the Remain in Port Liaison Officer (RIPO) at jaxdomestic@uscg.mil. If you have any questions regarding remain in port requests please contact CWO Duncan at (904) 718-7339.

On **October 5, 2016** conference calls will be held at **1300** for maritime interests in the Port Canaveral area and at **1330** for those in Jacksonville and Fernandina. Due to the limited capacity of our phone system, it is requested that only one representative from each company and primary stakeholders call in. The call-in number for the daily conference call is **1-866-722-8890**, access code **62463351**. During the call all members are requested to leave their phones on mute or minimize the back ground noise when not speaking. All members not attending the conference call can receive current information from MSIBs published on Homeport.

For additional information please contact Coast Guard Sector Jacksonville at (904) 714-7557.

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