UNITED STATES COAST GUARD SECTOR NEW ORLEANS

MARINE SAFETY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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Setting of Port Condition WHISKEY

At 0700 local time, October 07, 2026, in preparation for Tropical Storm Isaias the Captain of the Port (COTP) New Orleans has set Port Condition WHISKEY in in accordance with the Maritime Hurricane Contingency Port Plan (MHCPP).

Port Status: Open to all commercial traffic.

All vessels entering and departing the COTP Zone New Orleans are reminded to update their Notice of Arrival with any changes to their arrival or departure information (33 CFR Part 160.208, 33 CFR Part 160.212). The COTP has also outlined specific port preparation requirements and recommendations in the MHCPP.

Mariners are advised that drawbridges will close when wind speeds exceed 35 mph or once evacuation begins. As a result, mariners are urged to seek passage through drawbridges well in advance of the arrival of gale force winds. For most up to date bridge information, please contact Coast Guard Heartland District Bridges at (504) 671-2128 or D8DPBALL@uscg.mil.

Port partners and mariners are cautioned that the COTP New Orleans may set Port Condition X-RAY and further conditions as the situation develops. You are strongly encouraged to review your existing hurricane plan, take actions to minimize risk, and be prepared to evacuate, if necessary. For recommended precautionary measures and storm preparation checklists, refer to the MHCPP. Vessels intending to remain in the port must complete a Remaining-in-Port Checklist

All COTP New Orleans MHCPP reporting forms can be accessed using the QR Code below or at SecNolaHurricaneReporting Linktree

(1) **Waterfront FACILITIES Storm Preparation Checklist (Port Condition WHISKEY)**
(2) **VESSEL Remaining In Port Checklist Reporting Tool** – Submit within 24 hours
(3) **RNA FACILITIES with AHOP** - 72 Hour Storm Specific Verification Report

For additional information, contact the following:

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Waterways Management: WWMNOLA@uscg.mil
Sector New Orleans Command Center (24 hour): 1-800-874-2153
Vessel Traffic Center (24 Hour): (504) 365-2514 or VHF-FM channels 1005, 12, or 67
Coast Guard Heartland District Bridges: (504) 671-2128 or D8DPBALL@uscg.mil
National Response Center (24 Hour): 1-800-424-8802
Referenced documents can be found at the WWMNOLA Linktree: https://linktr.ee/WWMNOLA
COTP New Orleans MHCPP Reporting Forms: https://linktr.ee/secnolahurricanereporting



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