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U. S. COAST GUARD CAPTAIN OF THE PORT
MARINE SAFETY INFORMATION BULLETIN 027-22

**PORT CONDITION MODIFIED ZULU SET FOR THE PORT OF
WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA**

September 29, 2022

The Captain of the Port (COTP) North Carolina has set **Port Condition Modified Zulu for the Port of Wilmington** in preparation for the anticipated weather impact of Hurricane Ian. **The Port of Wilmington is CLOSED to ALL INBOUND & OUTBOUND traffic. No vessels may enter or depart without the permission of the Captain of the Port.**

Passenger ferries may continue operations at the discretion of the vessel master and/or operator. All commercial vessels and barges that have received permission from the Captain of the Port to remain in port must be at their mooring site in accordance with their mooring plan. All bunker handling operations must cease at this time.

Drawbridges will remain closed when wind speeds exceed 34 knots or once evacuations begin. Mariners are urged to seek passage through drawbridges well in advance of the arrival of gale force winds due to the uncertainty of weather movements and related bridge closures.

Based on the current National Weather Service forecast, the COTP expects to reopen the port to inbound and outbound traffic as soon as it is safe for the Cape Fear Pilots to resume offshore operations.

Sector North Carolina commenced daily port stakeholders calls at 1300 today. The next call is scheduled for 1300 tomorrow. **Be advised the Sector North Carolina Port Stakeholder conference line has changed and updated meeting details are below.** Please remember to use the web version of Microsoft Teams if joining via the internet from outside the CG network.

Microsoft Teams Link: [Click here to join the meeting](#)

Call-In Number: [+1 410-874-6742/6752 Conference ID: 260822090#](#)

For guidance on specific issues or to obtain a vessel application to remain in port, contact the Sector North Carolina Command Center at (910) 343-3882. A vessel remain in port checklist may be obtained at <https://homeport.uscg.mil/port-directory/north-carolina> under the "Local Contingency Plans" header within the "port Stakeholder Severe Weather Plan".

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "M. J. Baer".

M. J. Baer
Captain, U. S. Coast Guard
Captain of the Port
North Carolina