

## MARINE SAFETY INFORMATION BULLETIN 25-22

September 30, 2022

### PORT READINESS CONDITION IV FOR SAVANNAH

Port Readiness Conditions are set by the Captain of the Port (COTP) based on the projected arrival of gale force winds (greater than 34 knots/39 mph) associated with Hurricane IAN activity in the port. All submissions required by the measures below shall be submitted to [SMB-MSUSavannah-Prevention@uscg.mil](mailto:SMB-MSUSavannah-Prevention@uscg.mil)

Hrs Prior To Gales	Readiness Condition	Measures In Effect	Actual or Anticipated Date/Time
	PORTCON IV	Hurricane Season officially begins June 1st and extends through November 30th each year. Review plans and procedures for heavy weather operations as conditions may change rapidly.	01JUNE22/ 00:01 EST
72	Whiskey	As per 33 CFR 165.780, a safety zone will be established at port condition YANKEE to restrict the transit of all commercial, oceangoing vessels, barges over 500GT, and vessels deemed by the COTP to pose a significant threat to bridges/waterways. Therefore, all applicable vessels shall make plans to depart no later than the setting of condition YANKEE unless authorized by the COTP.  All commercial, oceangoing vessels, barges over 500GT, and vessels deemed by the COTP to pose a significant threat to bridges/waterways that wish to remain in port should <b>prepare to submit a Remain In Port Request</b> in accordance with Enclosure (1) or (2). Submissions should be sent to MSU Savannah <b>four</b> hours prior to the setting of Port Condition X-RAY.	26SEP22/ 12:00 EST
48	X-Ray	All commercial, oceangoing vessels, barges over 500GT, and vessels deemed by the COTP to pose a significant threat to bridges/waterways that wish to remain in port <b>shall have their Remain In Port Requests submitted to MSU Savannah.</b>  All regulated waterfront facilities shall complete Enclosure (3) or the online MSU Savannah Port Ops Tracker prior to the setting of Port Condition YANKEE, and provide updates as needed.	28SEP22/ 00:01 EST
24	Yankee	All commercial, oceangoing vessels, barges over 500GT, and vessels deemed by the COTP to pose a significant threat to bridges/waterways are prohibited from entering the safety zone established by 33 CFR 165.780 unless expressly authorized by the COTP. Emergency requests to enter the safety zone shall be made using Enclosure (1) or (2) and be submitted to MSU Savannah for approval prior to entry.  Outbound vessel traffic will be authorized to transit through the safety zone until the setting of Port Condition ZULU.	28SEP22/ 12:00 EST
12	Zulu	All commercial, oceangoing vessels, barges over 500GT, and vessels deemed by the COTP to pose a significant threat to bridges/waterways are prohibited from entering the safety zone.  All ship-to-shore cargo operations are suspended, including bunkering and lightering.	29SEP22/ 12:00 EST
After storm's passage	All Clear	The Port of Savannah is OPEN after a satisfactory assessment of the waterway, including critical aids to navigation.	30SEP22/ 17:00 EST

**RED BOX = CURRENT CONDITION**

**YELLOW HIGHLIGHT = MEASURES REQUIRED**

At 17:00 EST on September 30, 2022, the All Clear was given and **Port Readiness Condition IV** was set for the **Port of Savannah** following a satisfactory assessment of the waterway, including critical aids to navigation. All port partners are encouraged to continue to frequently check MSU Savannah's Homeport website for the most up to date information. The website can be found at: [www.homeport.uscg.mil](http://www.homeport.uscg.mil). Under the "Port Directory" menu, select "Savannah." If you have any questions, please contact my staff at the above listed telephone number or the Command Duty Officer at (912) 247-0073.

Sincerely,



K.A.BROYLES  
Commander, U. S. Coast Guard  
Captain of the Port, Savannah

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