

HARBOUR MASTER'S INSTRUCTION

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DATE: 18 August 2023


SUBJECT: Provisional changes to conditions for warping of vessels at KBB 2 berth

This Harbour Master Instruction applies to all vessels arriving at the Kwinana Bulk Terminal - KBB 2 berth and planned to conduct warping activity during their cargo loading / discharging operations and to the KBT stevedoring operations team.

Following the recent near miss during warping operations of a vessel on 26 July 2023, the following **provisional changes** are being implemented with immediate effect:

- No warping operations are to be conducted when winds >20 kts are experienced from a direction 'westward' **from South-South-East (SSE) to West (W)**. The vessel's Master is responsible for the safe mooring / warping of the vessel and must comply with the above weather restriction
- A cargo operations plan and warping schedule for each vessel at KBB 2 is to be sent to HMO and Fremantle VTS by the vessel through the agents
- The vessel is to contact Fremantle VTS on VHF Channel 12 prior to commencement of and on completion of each warp. VHF contact is to be available with VTS throughout the warping operation
- The on-duty KBT shift supervisor is to contact Fremantle VTS on telephone (08 9431 6333) to confirm the warp and on completion of each warp
- Fremantle VTS to advise the vessel and KBT Stevedore Team Leader regarding any adverse weather / squalls that may impact the vessel during warping operations
- The vessel's main engine is to be kept on stand-by but is not to be used during warping operations. If the engine is deemed necessary, a pilot and tugs will be required for the warp. However, this decision must be made by the vessel in advance of the warp considering the 2-hour notice required for tugs and pilots.

The warping process is currently under review by Fremantle Ports' operations team and accordingly, revised instructions for warping will be issued when the review has been completed.



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