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MARINE SAFETY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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**SEASONAL ICE CONDITION UPDATE
RESTRICTION FOR THE C&D CANAL**

The Captain of the Port (COTP) Sector Delaware Bay is notifying mariners that Ice Condition Two has been set for the neighboring Sector Baltimore COTP Zone, Sector Delaware Bay COTP Zone remains in Ice Condition Three. In addition to the existing measures in place for Ice Condition Three, as outlined in MSIB #29-10, the following restriction is imposed to facilitate safe navigation through the C&D Canal.

Specific Restriction for the C&D Canal:

- Only steel-hulled vessels may transit the canal.

The COTP Sector Delaware Bay may establish additional requirements for specific geographic areas of the COTP Zone if conditions warrant such restrictions.

Please refer to our internet website for additional information regarding ice operations within the Sector Delaware Bay zone at <http://www.uscg.mil/d5/sectDelawarebay> or by calling our Sector Delaware Bay Ice Line at (215) 271-4995.

If you have any questions regarding the contents of this bulletin or the expectations of the COTP, please contact the Waterways Management staff at (215) 271-4889 or the Situation Unit Controller at (215) 271-4807.



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