



# Marine Safety Information Bulletin

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## NOTICE OF PORT CONDITION ZULU

The Captain of the Port (COTP) is notifying port partners that Hurricane Condition **ZULU** will be set throughout the port at 2100 on August 3, 2020, due to the potential for Tropical Storm **ISAIAS** to impact the Sector Delaware Bay COTP zone.

Projections indicate the Delaware Bay COTP Zone will experience high winds, severe thunderstorms, and increased seas, surf, and tidal surge. All members of the port community to include vessel owners and operators, vessel agents, pilots, and facility owners and operators are to take adequate precautions and to follow the Port Hurricane Contingency Plan, to include Section 407, dated *June 2020*, and comply with the requirements of Section 1200, "Storm Preparation Checklists for Vessels and Facilities" and adhere to the following:

- All cargo operations must cease when wind speeds reach 40mph.
- Vessels must be securely moored and prepared for hurricane conditions.
- Mariners are advised that all vessel movement within the Port of Sector Delaware Bay is suspended with the exception of vessels seeking safe harbor or refuge. Vessel movements may only be authorized by the Captain of the Port. For vessel movement requests, contact the MTSRU at (267) 515-7294.

The COTP will broadcast notification using VHF-FM radio in the event any additional limitations or restrictions are imposed in the COTP Sector Delaware Bay area of responsibility. Additionally this notification will be forwarded to the Maritime Exchange and will be available as requested. The U.S. Coast Guard will provide the best possible advance notification before changing port operational status. Vessel agents are reminded to ensure their ships are provided a copy of the Port Hurricane Contingency Plan, which can also be found on Homeport at <https://homeport.uscg.mil/DelawareBay>. Please refer to the Homeport website for additional information and checklists.

If there are any questions regarding the contents of this bulletin or expectations of the Captain of the Port, please contact (215) 271-4807.

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