



COUNCIL OF MARINE CARRIERS

The voice of Western Canadian tug and barge operators

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To All Marine Operators

Commencing today, September 15, 2022, The Council of Marine Carriers on behalf of T&B Moorings, Operators of the Vancouver Harbour Navy Buoys and Kits Buoy have implemented new reporting requirements for Navy Buoy users.

It will now be up to Operators to report tug arrivals and departure with barges from the buoys. This requirement will assist the CMC to track buoy usage and to ensuring mooring procedures are followed.

Very shortly, our new website will be coming online which will contain a link to a form for vessels or Company Dispatch to report. Until the form is live, we would ask Operators to report these activities via email to CMC@comc.cc. The information required includes.

- Barge Name
- Arriving or Departing
- Towing Tug
- Barge LOA
- Barge condition (Load / Part Load / Empty)
- Buoy to which barge was moored (North /East/South / West)
- How many barges are on the buoy including the barge arriving or departing
- If known, the expected duration the barge will be at the buoys
- Vessel or dispatch contact number

Vessel Management software will be used to track vessels arriving and departing from the buoys. This allows us to precisely geo fence around both the Vancouver Harbour Buoys and Kits Buoy, so we are able differentiate between tows working at the buoys and vessels just passing through the area.

Over the next few weeks, as we build the database of tugs in the system, I will be sending emails to operators when we are notified of vessels arriving or departing the buoys as a reminder to report activity. If you are receiving these notifications and wish them sent to others in your organization, please reply to the email with the correct contact person.

If you have any questions or comments regarding these new requirements, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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