

Wellington Regional Council

Harbourmaster's Direction 2/2022

Channel dredging – Traffic management and exclusion zone.

1. Preamble

This direction is issued pursuant to section 33J of the Maritime Transport Act 1994 (the **MTA**) enabling the Harbourmaster to ensure maritime safety.

The Dredge *Albatross* (pictured below) will be carrying out dredging work within the harbour. This work will start on or after Monday 11 April 2022. It is expected to take up to 14 days, but may extend if required.

The hours of works are expected to be 0600-1800 daily.

There will be a Wellington Pilot on the vessel managing communications and traffic movements.



There will be dredging work undertaken at the following locations:

- Thorndon Container Wharf/Aotea Quay (main Centreport wharf)
- Burnham Wharf (tanker berth in Evans Bay)
- Seaview Wharf (tanker berth at Seaview)
- Inwards and outward tracks between Falcon Shoal and the Front Leading lights
- West of Falcon Shoal light (approximately indicated on the image below)

The dredging will be discharge north of Point Jerningham as shown below



2. Application

This direction applies in the areas that the dredge is working and the dumping ground.

3. Navigation Requirements

Under MTA 33F(1)(c)(i):

- 1) Vessels over 500 GRT are to navigate in accordance with the attached Centreport Operational notice regarding traffic management while dredge is working. This requires only one vessel over 500GRT in the channel at a time while the dredge is working in the channel this does not apply when the dredge is working west of Falcon Shoal Beacon.
- 2) No vessels over 500GRT are to use the outward track west of Falcon Shoal while the dredge is working west of the pile.
- 3) Other vessels are to remain at least 100 metres from the *Albatross* unless specifically allowed to approach by myself or the Pilot on board.

Vessels in the area are requested to heed advice given from Centreport, Police, Harbourmaster or coastguard vessels regarding the dredging work as appropriate.

4. Liability

The Wellington Regional Council shall not, in any case, be responsible for any loss or damage arising from the negligence of the master or crew of any vessel to which this direction applies, or for any loss, damage or incident involving the wharves.

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