

ANNOUNCEMENT TO SHIPPING
IJmond North Sea Canal Area
Central Nautical Management

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Subject: Revoke of decrees on stationary degassing

The Director of the Central Nautical Management North Sea Canal Area, who is also State Harbour Master and Harbour Master of Amsterdam, announces the following:

Pursuant to Decrees 004/RHN/2017, 008/RHN/2017, and 009/RHN/2017, prohibition of stationary degassing has been enforced within the municipalities of Amsterdam, Beverwijk, and Zaanstad. This prohibition applies specifically to benzene and certain substances containing a benzene concentration exceeding 10%.

In the light of the following developments:

- the entry into force of the consolidated October 2024 version of the Convention on the Collection, Deposit and Reception of Waste in Rhine and Inland Navigation (hereinafter: CDNI)
- the Decree of 24 August 2024, amending the Shipping Waste Decree for Rhine and Inland Navigation to expedite the phased introduction of prohibition of degassing while sailing on inland waterways. This decree, published in the Staatsblad 2024, number 243 of 9 September 2024, stipulates that phase 2 of the CDNI entered into force in the Netherlands on 1 October 2024.
- and Article 4.11 of the Regional Port Bye-laws for the North Sea Canal Area 2023 (hereinafter: RHN), applicable to the municipalities of Amsterdam, Beverwijk, and Zaanstad

it is strictly prohibited to Degassing benzene and certain substances containing a benzene concentration exceeding 10% into the atmosphere, whether while sailing or idle.

In view of the aforementioned regulatory framework, the prohibitions set out in Decisions 004/RHN/2017, 008/RHN/2017, and 009/RHN/2017 are superseded by these binding provisions. The Director of the Central Nautical Management North Sea Canal Area, also State Harbour Master and Harbour Master of Amsterdam, hereby revokes those decisions. This is formally recorded in Decree No. 2025/12.

The full decree is available at:

https://www.portofamsterdam.com/en/basijnen?order=field_start_date&sort=desc

The Director of the Central Nautical Management North Sea Canal Area, also State Harbour Master and Harbour Master of Amsterdam,



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