

NOTICE TO SKIPPERS
No. 159/13.11.2019

Skippers are informed that as from 14.11.2019 on the river sector of the Danube between Km 611 and Km 613 “Rapide Dredger 2” shall perform dredging works in order to ensure the navigation depths recommended by the Danube Commission.

Dredging works shall be performed in the fairway between the left and the right limits of the fairway.

Dredging works shall be performed both during day time and night time, on a rolling programme. The dredgers shall be signaled during day and night-time according to the “Rules of Navigation on the Danube on the Romanian Sector” – 2013 edition.

Dredgers’ maneuvers in the dredging area and its movement to and from the dumping area shall be performed without hindering the navigation in the area, keeping permanent contact with Turnu-Magurele Harbour Master’s Office.

Skippers of vessels and convoys transiting the sector comprised between km 610 and km 615 shall comply with the coastal and floating signalling, as well as the provisions passed by the Harbour Master’s Offices.

The minimum width of the fairway in the dredging area shall be 120 m.

Navigation in the working area shall be carried out with increased attention, observing the following conditions:

1) skippers of vessels and convoys transiting the dredging area shall contact through VHF 16 “Rapide Dredger 2” from a minimum distance of 5 km, upstream/ downstream, to agree upon the area crossing conditions;

2) in the accidental case in which the dredge do not respond the call, acoustic signals of attention shall be issued in advance and the signals hoisted by the dredge shall be strictly complied with;

3) during the night or in times of reduced visibility (fog, mist, etc.) the dredge shall be withdrawn outside the fairway;

4) on the river sector of the Danube within Km 610 and Km 615, is forbidden:

- meeting, overtaking, navigation at the same height;
- producing waves or suction effects;

Skippers of vessels and convoys, managers of navigation companies and ship agents carrying goods on the Danube shall take all necessary measures to observe the “Rules of Navigation on the Danube on the Romanian Sector” – 2013 edition and the recommendations of the present NtS..

Failure to observe the provisions of the present Notice to Skippers entails administrative, disciplinary or penal responsibility, as the case may be.

Dumitru Dorian
GENERAL MANAGER