VHF sectors in VTS Scheldt Area

Clear communication on every channel

COMPELLARY REPORTING AND LISTENING WATCH

for ALL COMMERCIAL SHIPPING on the TRAFFIC CHANNELS

COMPELLARY LISTENING WATCH

for RECREATIONAL CRAFT EQUIPPED WITH VHF on the TRAFFIC CHANNELS

REPORTING FOR COMMERCIAL SHIPPING IN THE VTS SCHELDT AREA

Inbound from sea:

Depending on direction of approach, report 1/2 hour before arrival in the VTS area on the traffic channel belonging to the first sector you enter.

Message:
name of the vessel
position
draught
destination
ETA pilot station

Departing from a port, berth, jetty or anchorage in the VTS area:

Report on the traffic channel appropriate for the area (unless otherwise indicated in this brochure) before entering the fairway.

Message:
name of the vessel
position
draught
planned route
destination
for barges carrying one or more blue cones:
the number of cones

Passage boundary sector:

Always report to the next sector, always on the traffic channel. A departure report to the previous sector is not required.

Message:
name of the vessel
position
planned route
(where different routes are possible)

ATTENTION

The compulsory language is Dutch or English.

Make clear traffic arrangements directly with the other traffic participants.

Always call another ship by the name of the vessel or by position and/or direction.

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**Radar Channels**

Navigational assistance (radar information).

Port information when there is no specific port information channel available.

**Terminal Channel Barges**

Non-nautical information between barges concerning loading/discharging sequences, berthing positions, etc...

This channel is not monitored by the VTS centre.

**Extra compulsory reporting for all commercial shipping**

Before departure from a quay/berth/jetty or before heaving up anchor.

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Before leaving a quay/berth/jetty or after heaving up anchor.

**Information deep draft vessels on h+30’ and h+50’**

On leaving port/berth and on passage bridges.

Compulsory reporting.

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Above buoy 100, there is:

- compulsory listening watch on the ship-ship channel VHF 10
- no active monitoring by the VTS Centre
- no radar coverage at the VTS Centre
- for seagoing vessels: compulsory reporting to other traffic ingoing at buoy 116, outgoing at buoy 111 on channel VHF 10

Attention!

**Extra reporting for seagoing vessels**

before leaving

(= before unmooring in lock or at terminal)

on VHF channel 85

**Traffic Channel**

Traffic arrangements ship-ship.

Traffic information - general.

Compulsory reporting.

Before entering the fairway or before crossing the fairway.

English Scheldt shipping information with general traffic information. Every hour + minutes.

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Dutch Scheldt shipping information with general traffic information. Every hour + minutes.

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