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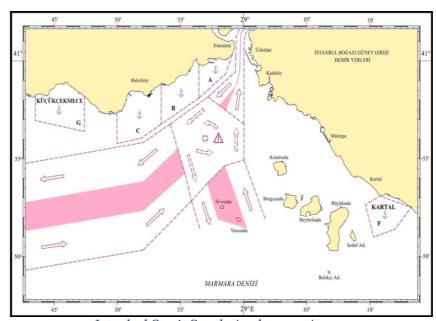
Subject: Notice Regarding Istanbul Strait South Anchorage Areas "CIRCULAR TO ALL P&I CLUBS"

Dear Sirs,

The Directorate General of Maritime of Turkiye has issued a new notification dated 31 December 2022 regarding Istanbul Strait South Anchorage Areas.

The notification states that as a result of numbers of collision incidents increased and in order to prevent intense ship traffic and to provide life, goods, sea and environmental protection on the anchorage areas located around south entrance of Istanbul Strait including the vessels waiting for grain corridor, starting from 05 January 2023 new regulations will be implemented to vessels which will use the Istanbul Strait Anchorage areas (Area A, B and C) and Kucukcekmece Anchorage Areas (G) and details area as below:-

- C Anchorage Area will be assigned to vessels which will stay at anchorage for long period and to be berthed to / departed from shore facilities. Kucukcekmece (G) anchorage area will be assigned to vessels which are carrying dangerous goods
- The vessels will not be allowed to stay at anchorage area A, B and C more than 72 hours and the vessels intend to stay longer will be directed to convenient other anchorage areas in Marmara Sea.



Istanbul Strait South Anchorage Areas



As per Turkish Straits Marine Traffic Safety Law, the above-mentioned anchorage areas has been essentially used for below purposes and starting from 05 January 2023 the vessels should follow the new implementation.

Anchorage area A – For the vessels to be berthed at shore facilities

Anchorage area B – For the vessels departed from shore facilities and to stay at anchorage for long period

Anchorage area C – For the vessels carrying dangerous goods, nuclear power-driven war ships and for vessels making gas free operation

Anchorage area G - Used for quarantine area

Anchorage area F - For vessels carrying dangerous goods and to transit Istanbul Strait

Submitted for your kind info.

Please contact us if you have any further queries and if you / your members need our assistance, we are always at your disposal.

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Best regards,

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