



COAST GUARD
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MARINE SAFETY INFORMATION BULLETIN 40-04

09:30 A.M., September 23, 2004

**SET HURRICANE CONDITION WHISKEY IN THE PORTS OF NORTHEAST
 and EAST CENTRAL FLORIDA**

Effective 09:30 a.m., Hurricane Condition WHISKEY (72 hrs before the on-set of gale force winds) is set in the Ports of Northeast and East Central Florida as well as for all coastal inlets.

All mariners are reminded that there are no safe havens in the Captain of the Port Jacksonville area, and that the port is safest when the inventory of vessels is at a minimum. For planning purposes, all oceangoing vessels and barges over 500 GT are required to put to sea if/when Hurricane Condition Yankee (24 hrs before the on-set of gale force winds) is set. Inland vessels and barges over **500** GT are required to seek safe refuge in a port outside the Captain of the Port Jacksonville area.

All vessels or barges over **500** GT (both ocean going and inland) that wish to remain in the Captain of the Port Jacksonville area must submit a **Remaining in Port Checklist** to the Captain of the Port, and should contact the Marine Safety Office immediately. If/when Condition Yankee is set, the port will be closed to unauthorized vessel movement, and all facility and vessel interfacing must stop.

Hurricane Jeanne is a large and powerful storm. All marine interests must take early and substantial action to ensure safety of the port and vessels. Future port conditions cannot be predicted with any degree of certainty, but *provided the storm remains on the projected course and track*, port stakeholders can expect the following progression of port conditions:

Port Condition	Port Canaveral / Ponce		Jacksonville/Fernandina	
	Date	Time	Date	Time
WHISKEY	23 Sep	09:30 a.m.	23 Sep	09:30 a.m.
X-RAY	23 Sep	22:00 p.m.	24 Sep	09:00 a.m.
YANKEE	24 Sep	22:00 p.m.	25 Sep	09:00 a.m.
ZULU	25 Sep	10:00 a.m.	25 Sep	21:00 p.m.
Arrival of Gale Force Winds	25 Sep	22:00 p.m.	26 Sep	09:00 a.m.

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To facilitate communication and stakeholder involvement, all affected port entities are invited to join daily teleconferences as follows to discuss the situation as Hurricane JEANNE approaches:

Date	Port Canaveral / Ponce	Jacksonville/Fernandina
Thursday, 23 September 2004	15:00-15:30 p.m. <i>CALL: 202-267-1095</i>	15:30-16:00 p.m. <i>CALL: 202-267-1095</i>
Friday, 24 September 2004	15:00-15:30 p.m. <i>CALL: 202-267-2174</i>	15:30-16:00 p.m. <i>CALL: 202-267-2174</i>
Saturday, 25 September 2004	15:00-15:30 p.m. <i>CALL: 202-267-1095</i>	15:30-16:00 p.m. <i>CALL: 202-267-1095</i>
Sunday, 26 September 2004	15:00-15:30 p.m. <i>CALL: 202-267-1095</i>	15:30-16:00 p.m. <i>CALL: 202-267-1095</i>

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