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## MARINE SAFETY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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## **SEASONAL ICE PROCEDURES** RETURN TO SEASONAL ALERT

The Captain of the Port (COTP), Delaware Bay is notifying mariners that the port has returned to SEASONAL ALERT status in the Delaware Bay and River, Cape May Harbor and Canal, and the New Jersey ICW.

- Conditions are not favorable for the formation of new ice.
- There are no navigational restrictions.
- Drifting, melting ice may be present in navigable waters, so mariners are urged to proceed with caution.
- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has imposed a steel hull restriction on the C&D Canal.

Please refer to our website for additional information regarding ice operations within the Sector Delaware Bay zone at http://www.uscg.mil/d5/sectDelawarebay or by calling our Sector Delaware Bay Ice Line at (215) 271-4995.

Questions regarding the contents of this bulletin or expectations of the Captain of the Port can be directed to (215) 271-4807 or (267) 515-7294.

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port, Delaware Bay