

MARITIME ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

NOTICE TO MARINERS

No. 018 (2021) Guyana

DEMERARA RIVER

The *Maritime Administration Department (MARAD)* hereby notifies all vessels transiting or in the vicinity of the Demerara Harbour Bridge zone of the following:

- Approval shall be granted from the Demerara Harbour Bridge (DHB) Company prior to transiting;
- Once in the vicinity of the Bridge zone, radio communication with the bridge shall always be made on VHF. Ch. 16, or any other channel designated by the DHB, for advice;
- All vessels which are required to transit the High or Retractor Span, shall do so with the tide on their stem (against the tidal stream), or at Slack Water;
- At least **one Tug** of adequate power is required to escort **all** Tug and Barge Composite units transiting the Demerara Harbour Bridge.

Mariners are also required to navigate with caution when transiting the DHB, or in the bridge zone.

Communication can be made with the Georgetown Lighthouse on VHF Ch.16.

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Harbour Master (Ag)
For Director General

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