

VHF PROCEDURES**REPORTS**

Sydney VTS Zone consists of two sectors.

SYDNEY MARITIME from 50 miles north of Newcastle to 50 miles south of Port Kembla and 50 miles to seaward. VHF CH 12 and 16

HARBOUR CONTROL within 5 miles of the Port. VHF CH 13

Ships must keep continuous watch on VHF CH 16 and designated sector frequency.

Ships must not change VHF Channel without the permission of VTS Centre (Sydney Port Operations Centre call sign "Harbour Control")

NOTE: Ships are not to proceed West of Pilot boarding ground without specific permission (approval) from Harbour Control.

4 hours before arrival at Pilot Station

TO: SYDNEY MARITIME
GIVING: IMO SRS ITEMS: Alpha Charlie or Delta India Oscar X-ray
VIA: VHF CH 12

2 hours before arrival

TO: SYDNEY MARITIME
GIVING: IMO SRS ITEMS: Alpha Charlie or Delta India X-ray
VIA: VHF CH 12

5 miles from Sydney Heads

TO: HARBOUR CONTROL
GIVING: IMO SRS ITEMS: Alpha Bravo Delta X-ray
VIA: VHF CH 13

NOTES:

1. Tankers which are not gas-freed are not permitted to manoeuvre west of Bradleys Head at night.
2. Ships carrying dangerous goods must not enter port unless the ship's agent has obtained a "Certificate of Approval for vessel carrying dangerous goods to enter Port".