

Port “Heavy Weather” Conditions

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WHISKEY

(72 hours)

WHISKEY is set when Tropical Storm Force Winds (above 39 MPH) are forecasted within 72 Hours (Time to Landfall).

Actions: During Port Condition **WHISKEY** the Captain of the Port (COTP) will:

- 1) Reduce vessel traffic within the affected port.
- 2) Limit transportation of bulk oil and hazardous material within the port.
- 3) Verify shore-side facilities are removing debris and making preparations for heavy weather.

X-RAY

(48 hours)

X-RAY is set when Tropical Storm Force Winds (above 39 MPH) are forecasted within 48 Hours.

Actions: During Port Condition **X-RAY** the COTP will:

- 1) Provide notice that all cargo operations within the affected port will be prohibited when Port Condition **ZULU** is set.
- 2) Provide notice to all vessels of 200 gross tons (GT) or more (to include recreational vessels and barges) that they will be required to depart the port when Port Condition **ZULU** is set.

YANKEE

(24 hours)

YANKEE is set when Tropical Storm Force Winds (above 39 MPH) are forecasted within 24 Hours.

Actions: During Port Condition **YANKEE** the COTP will:

- 1) **Close** all commercial ports to **incoming traffic**.
- 2) Prohibit vessel-to-vessel and shore-to-vessel oil transfers.
- 3) Provide notice that all cargo operations within the affected port will be prohibited when Port Condition **ZULU** is set.
- 4) Provide notice to all vessels of 200 GT or more (to include recreational vessels and barges) that they will be required to depart the port when Port Condition **ZULU** is set.

ZULU

(12 hours)

ZULU is set when Tropical Storm Force Winds (above 39 MPH) are forecasted within 12 Hours.

Actions: During Port Condition **ZULU** the COTP will:

- 1) **Close** all commercial ports within the affected area.

Notes/References

- For a detailed explanation of Port Heavy Weather Conditions refer to CG Captain of the Port Sector Honolulu - Maritime Heavy Weather & Hurricane Plan - Annex C (July 2015)
(https://dlnr.hawaii.gov/dobor/files/2013/04/AnnexC_HOMEPORTposted_SignedJul2015.pdf)

Examples of Vessels Over 200 Gross Tons



1. Young Brothers – *KAHOLO*. Barge vehicle carrier.
Length: 330 feet Width: 86 feet



2. Pasha Hawaii – *MARGORIE C.* Container & vehicle ship.
Length: 689 feet Width: 105 feet



3. Sause Brothers -- *CAPT. LES EASOM*. Tug boat.
Length: 125 feet Width: 30 feet



4. Matson – *MANUKAI*. Container Ship.
Length: 712 feet Width: 105 feet



5. *KAGAWA MARU*. Fishing vessel.
Length: 190 feet Width: 30 feet