

on the banks and in the channel a heavy ground swell can be expected. It is not advisable to approach this channel during strong winds, during a falling tide or during gales. It is however possible to approach the Buitenhaven of Stellendam with a flooding tide after the tide did run for some time and the water level has risen considerably.

The Outer harbour of Stellendam is entered via the channels Slijkgat and Pampus. The harbour is only visible just after passing the Pg Lt buoy. Depths in the channels are liable to frequent changes. Buoyage in the channels are changed accordingly.

Note

Off Haringvlietsluizen (drainage sluices) strong currents may arise during sluicing. A distance of 300m from the scouring sluices should be kept. The area prohibited is marked by yellow can buoys. From 30 minutes before sluicing till the end of the sluicing period the sluicing signal on the 4 pillar heads is lit (3 red Lts in a triangle with their top upwards). An outgoing stream may occur in the approaching channel to the Outer harbour when the sluice situated at the SW corner, is opened.

8.6.3 Approaching via Hollandsch Diep

See Chapter 9 – Zeegat van Hoek van Holland, section 9.6 ‘Sailing directions’.

8.6.4 Main fairways Haringvliet

2 – From Goereese Sluis to Haringvlietbrug via Hitsertse of Vuile Gat

Leaving the Binnenhaven of Stellendam the main channel to Haringvlietbrug leads through Deltageul, Haringvliet (N of island Slijkplaat) and Hitsertse of Vuile Gat (N of island Tiengemeten).

The channels are well marked by buoys and Lt buoys and in places by sector and leading Lts.

3 – From Goereese Sluis to Haringvlietbrug via Haringvliet

Leaving the Binnenhaven of Stellendam the channel to Haringvlietbrug leads through Deltageul, Aardappelengat (S of island Slijkplaat) and Haringvliet (S of island Tiengemeten). The channels are well marked by buoys but unlit.

8.6.5 Locks

Goereesesluis			
Dimensions Locks	Length	Width	Navigable depth
	-	-	-
Maximum vessel dimensions	Length	Beam	Draught
	144m	15m	50dm
Visibility	-		
Mooring	-		
Tugboat assistance	-		
Boatmen assistance	-		
Operating hours	The lock operates 24h a day on weekdays until 2200 on Friday, but is restricted to 0800 - 2000 at weekends, and on Sundays only from November 1st to April 1st, to 0800 - 1000 and 1600 - 1800.		
Bridge	Movable bridges span the outer and inner lock gates. These bridges have vertical clearances of 14m and 5.4m respectively, when closed. The bridges are not operational when the windforce is more than 6-7 Bft.		
Note	For communication with locks see section 8.4.1.5 ‘ETA/ETD’.		