

### 6.8.2.3

#### **Towing of floating objects**

The common nautical authorities will determine the number of pilots and tugs to be employed by special and extraordinary transports. These transports must have permission to navigate the approaches to the Westerschelde river, the Westerschelde river and the Gent-Terneuzen Canal. A request for permission should be made 72h in advance. The application form can be found on the website.

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### 6.8.2.4

#### **Oversized vessels sailing up/down the Westerschelde river**

Vessels with dimensions above average (length, beam and/or draught) or with insufficient means of propulsion etc. must have permission from the authorities to sail the Westerschelde river. The required application form can be found on the website. Additional requirements and rules apply to these vessels.

These rules concern the:

- Visibility on the river
- Maximum wind force
- Tide
- Manoeuvring characteristics and speed of the vessel

#### **To/from Vlissingen Oost**

Additional requirements apply to the following vessels:

- Length overall  $\geq$  340m and/or draught  $\geq$  125dm
- Bulk carriers length overall  $\geq$  235m and/or draught  $\geq$  125dm
- Car carriers length overall  $\geq$  200m
- Container vessels length overall  $\geq$  275m

#### **To/from Terneuzen/Braakmanhaven**

Additional requirements apply to the following vessels:

- Length overall  $\geq$  210m for Westbuitenhaven Terneuzen
- Draught  $\geq$  91dm for the Westsluis Terneuzen
- Draught  $\geq$  125dm to/from anchorages Put van Terneuzen and Everingen
- Draught  $\geq$  110dm and/or length  $\geq$  210m for the Braakmanhaven