

Notice to Skippers

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Considering that on 03.09.2024, the special transport consisting of the tug **IRAKLIS Z** (flag Greece) positioned at the bow - hull "**SHIP PART 6313**" (flag Italy)- tug **SULINA 2** (flag Romania - owner A.F.D.J.-R.A.) positioned at the stern, agent **IDU SHIPPING & SERVICES**, having the following characteristics:

L≈ 234,36m; B = 42,10 m, D= 5,59 m,

shall transit the sector **S.N. VARD Tulcea - Bar Sulina**, navigation on the Sulina Channel is temporarily closed from 00:00, for sea vessels and river convoys sailing upstream.

Maritime vessels bound for upstream Sulina Channel on 02.09.2024 before closing the navigation, shall be accepted only if they meet the physical type required to overtake Nm 34 until 23:00 hours.

The maritime and rivergoing vessels sailing downstream shall keep a minimum distance of 3 Nm from the special transport and maintain a permanent VHF connection to ensure the safe transit of the transport through Sulina Channel.

When crossing the Tulcea bend, the special transport shall be assisted by **GALAȚI 3** tug (Romania flag - owner R.A. A.F.D.J. Galati) and shall be accompanied in the bow by a boat belonging to RNA – Tulcea Harbour Master's Office.

Upstream navigation reopens as soon as the convoy exits into the sea.

Rivergoing passenger ships engaged on regular voyages and those belonging to the Administration shall be exempt from the provisions of the present NtS. All skippers shall be required to take all necessary measures to ensure that navigation is carried out safely and that the transit of the special transport is not affected.

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