

Taichung Harbor Traffic Control during Typhoon Weather

Enactment date: December 25th, 2008

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1. The Operation Directions are enacted to maintain the safe navigation of vessels entering and departing of Taichung Harbor.
2. The duration of typhoon is generally referred to the period since Central Weather Bureau issues the sea/land warning (Taichung area is included in the affected zone) to 24 hours after the land warning is terminated.
3. Measure of wind speed: is defined when the average wind speed of every ten minutes measured in North Breakwater is over Force 8 (wind speed is 17.2m/s~20.7m/s) of Beaufort Wind Scale, all vessels entering and departing shall be suspended. The standard wind speed is measured mainly in North Breakwater; the auxiliary is measured at the signal station and Wuchi Meteorological Observatory of Central Weather Bureau is for reference.
4. The movement of all vessels (inbound, outbound, or shifting) will be suspended when the visibility is such that the light at the south inner breakwater lighthouse cannot be seen with the naked eye from the signal station (approximately 740 meters).
5. When vessels encounter from abnormal and emergent situation, and request searching for shelter area of the harbor, such vessels should be conducted according to “Taichung Harbor Emergency Operation Procedures for Vessels suffered from Typhoon Weather”.
6. The average wind speed of every ten minutes is less than Force 8 of Beaufort Wind Scale and consecutive for 2 hours, the suspension of the vessels entering and departing operation is released and resumed.
7. The Operation Directions are revised when necessary.
8. The Operation Directions shall effect from the date of promulgation.