Autonomous Port of Dakar Operating Regulations

The Autonomous Port of Dakar wishes to remind Ship owners and Dakar Ship Agents that no matter what the tide, the port can accommodate ships with a maximum draft of 34 feet, i.e. approximately 10.40 metres.

However, during high tide periods the following drafts will be able to enter or leave the port:

1. High Tide – Marée de Mortes Eaux (Neap tides)

When high tide coincides with the period of the *Marée de Mortes Eaux*, the maximal tide height (open sea) is 1.35 metres.

The depth of available water is therefore 10.40 metres + 1.35 metres = 11.75 metres.

Given the need for extra clearance of 0.75 metres between the keel and sea bed, the maximum authorised draft is 11 metres.

2. High Tide – Marée de Vives Eaux (Spring tides)

When high tide coincides with the period of the *Marée de Vives Eaux*, the maximal tide height may be between 1.70 meters and 1.80 metres.

3. High Tide

Apart from the cases mentioned above, during high tide the Port of Dakar can receive ships with a maximum arrival draft of 11.20 metres.

The Port of Dakar requests all ship owners and ship agents to take good note of the above and act accordingly.