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## **USCG – conditions of entry re Iraq**



The US Coast Guard issued a notice stating that it is setting conditions of entry for vessels arriving to the United States from Iraq except for the following three port facilities: (1) the Al-Basrah Oil Terminal; (2) the Khor Al Amaya Oil Terminal; and (3) the Al Maqal Terminal 14 (also known as the North America Western Asia Holdings Facility). In summary, each affected vessel must: (1) implement the Security Level 2 measures from its ship security plan while in an affected port; (2) ensure that each access point is guarded and that guards have total visibility of the exterior of the vessel while in an affected port; (3) attempt to execute a Declaration of Security while in an affected port; (4) log all security actions; and (5) report actions taken to the pertinent USCG Captain of the Port [COTP] prior to arrival in the US. The policy enters into effect on 26 October. [83 Fed. Reg. 516929](https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-10-12/pdf/2018-22291.pdf) (10/12/18) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-10-12/pdf/2018-22291.pdf>].

## USCG – Great Lakes Pilotage rates



The US Coast Guard proposes new base pilotage rates and surcharges for the 2019 Great Lakes shipping season. Comments must be received by 16 November. [83 Fed. Reg. 52355](https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-10-17/pdf/2018-22513.pdf) (10/17/18) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-10-17/pdf/2018-22513.pdf>].

## NTSB – seeking Marine Accident Investigator (Nautical)



The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) seeks to fill a Marine Accident Investigator (Nautical) vacancy. There is one position, but four announcements: [GS-13 Public](#) applicants; [GS-13 Federal Employee & Veteran](#) applicants; [GS-14 Public](#) applicants; and [GS-14 Federal Employee & Veteran](#) applicants. Applications must be received by 29 October. (10/15/18).

## FMC – mediation services



The Federal Maritime Commission (FMC) issued a [news release](#) highlighting its mediation services as an alternative to legal proceedings in commercial maritime disputes. (10/16/18) [[https://www.fmc.gov/mediation\\_week\\_2018/](https://www.fmc.gov/mediation_week_2018/)].

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