

Navigation policy

Ships sailing under the flag of the organization are responsible for the logistics of product transportation by inland waterways and this should be done in a safe and efficient way. The navigation policy is an integral part of the daily management of the organization. To enforce this policy, the organization has established the following guidelines:

1. Legal requirements

Everyone is expected to comply to the legal requirements and guidelines described in: Rhine Police Regulations (RPR), Inland Police Regulations (BPR), ADN, local laws and procedures manual. All publications are available on all ships through the log-in skipper. Each crew member is considered to be familiar with these legal requirements.

2. Safety

The ship's personnel are expected to exercise good seamanship so safety is guaranteed. The organization expects from the owner that all ship personnel is qualified and trained. This is monitored by the organization. The organization offers opportunities to increase safety awareness if necessary.

3. Essential equipment

Before departure, the captain / owner expects compliance with all legal requirements. All navigation equipment must be in good working condition. These should be tested before departure. The captain / owner guarantees that the latest editions of (digital) navigation maps are available.

4. Incidents

The organization strives to 0 navigational incidents within the organization. There always is an investigation into the causes of an incident to prevent recurrence of similar incident.

5. New waterways

With new sailing routes, more attention is required for voyage planning. Possible consequences for navigation include limitations of both ship and waterway (height, width, depth, length, blocks). Sharing nautical knowledge within the fleet is part of the decision-making to accept a voyage.

6. Communication and assessments

Communication concerning nautical issues (regional and international) is considered within the organization as very important. The organization performs a (navigation) assessment on all ships in compliance with this policy.

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