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Date: 26 February 2025

Subject: Letter Regarding Istanbul Strait Anchorage Areas

Dear Sirs,

In the letter dated 25.02.2025 and numbered 2391210, received from the Directorate General of Maritime Affairs, Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure, it is stated that measures have been taken to reduce the congestion at the southern entrance of the Istanbul Strait anchorage areas, and in their letter dated 17.11.2023 and numbered 1539827, except for the practice of allocating the (C) Region Anchorage Area for ships that will stay at anchor for a long time or will dock/undock at shore facilities, and the allocation of the Küçükçekmece Anchorage Area for ships carrying hazardous cargo, other practices have been terminated.

The letter further states that according to the inspections carried out by the Directorate General of Maritime Affairs, due to the congestion of ships waiting in drift in the Sea of Marmara for passage through the Istanbul Strait, these ships are being directed to anchorage areas to increase navigation, safety, and environmental protection, while also facilitating fishing activities in the region.

Accordingly;

- a) Ships waiting in drift in the Sea of Marmara are to be directed to Ambarlı Anchorage Areas 2, 3, and 4, and if necessary, to Yalova Anchorage Areas 1 and 2, ensuring that ships are not directed to drift in the Sea of Marmara when these anchorage areas are available.
- b) Regarding the Waiting/Anchorage Area number 7, defined as "the waiting and anchorage area designated for fuel and water barges" within the Istanbul (A) and (B) region anchorage areas, it is stated that fuel and water barges must use this waiting/anchorage area and refrain from waiting/anchoring outside the designated area.
- c) There will be no restriction on fishing activities in the sea between two anchorage areas where there is no fishing ban (for example, between the Istanbul (G) Region Anchorage Area and the (C) Region Anchorage Area). Fishing boats may continue their activities, provided they comply with the rules and warnings related to navigational aids in these areas.
- d) Ships anchoring outside the designated anchorage areas, as specified by the Ports Regulation and tracked through the National AIS system, will be warned and directed to the anchorage areas. Otherwise, legal action will be taken according to the applicable regulations.

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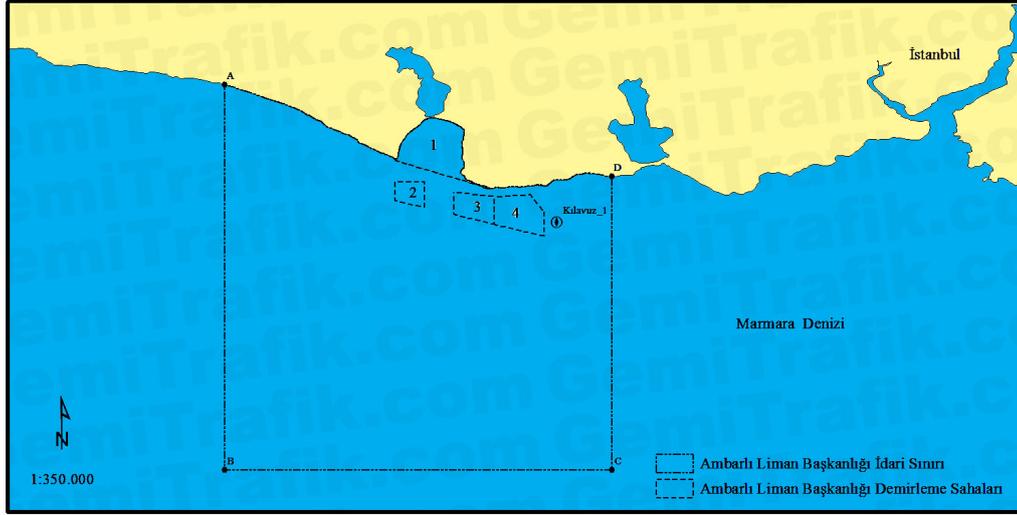
You may please find the details of above-mentioned anchorage areas as below:-



### Istanbul Strait Anchorage Areas

- Anchorage area 1: For vessels to be berthed at port (A)  
Anchorage area 2: For vessels departed from the port and planning to wait at anchorage for long time (B)  
Anchorage area 3: For vessels carrying dangerous cargo (C)  
Anchorage area 4: Kucukcekmece Anchorage area  
Anchorage area 5: For vessels carrying dangerous cargo (D)  
Anchorage area 6: For vessels carrying not commercial substance (E)

## Ambarlı Liman Başkanlığı



### İdari Sınır Koordinatları

- A) 41° 02' 54" K – 028° 24' 00" D
- B) 40° 43' 30" K – 028° 24' 00" D
- C) 40° 43' 30" K – 028° 43' 24" D
- D) 40° 58' 18" K – 028° 43' 24" D

### Demirleme Sahaları

- 1 - Tehlikeli Madde Taşımayan Gemiler < 1600 GT
- 2 - Askeri Gemiler
- 3 - Tehlikeli Madde Taşıyan Gemiler
- 4 - Tehlikeli Madde Taşımayan Gemileri > 1600 GT

### Kılavuz Kaptan Koordinatları

- Kılavuz\_1 - 40° 56' 00" K – 028° 40' 39" D

## Ambarlı Port boundaries and anchorage areas

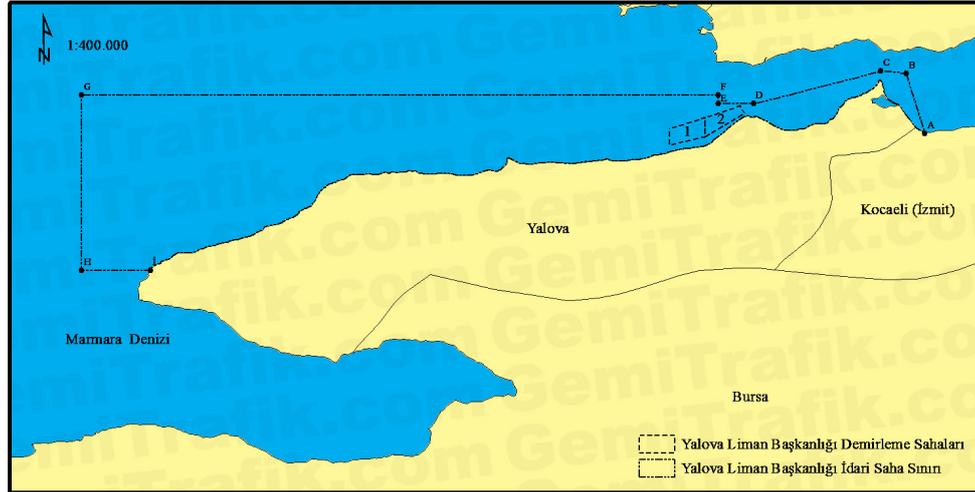
Anchorage area 1: For vessels carrying non-dangerous cargo < 1,600 GRT

Anchorage area 2: Military vessels

Anchorage area 3: For vessel carrying dangerous cargo

Anchorage area 4: For vessels carrying non-dangerous cargo > 1,600 GRT

## Yalova Liman Başkanlığı



### İdari Saha Koordinatları

- A) 40° 41' 12" K – 029° 33' 36" D
- B) 40° 44' 48" K – 029° 32' 30" D
- C) 40° 44' 57" K – 029° 30' 57" D
- D) 40° 43' 00" K – 029° 23' 24" D

- E) 40° 43' 00" K – 029° 21' 18" D
- F) 40° 43' 30" K – 029° 21' 18" D
- G) 40° 43' 30" K – 028° 43' 24" D
- H) 40° 33' 00" K – 028° 43' 24" D
- I) 40° 33' 00" K – 028° 47' 30" D

### Demirleme Sahaları

- 1 - Tehlikeli Madde Taşımayan Gemiler
- 2 - Tehlikeli Madde Taşıyan Gemiler

## Yalova Port boundaries and anchorage areas

Anchorage area 1: For vessels carrying non-dangerous cargo

Anchorage area 2: For vessel carrying dangerous cargo

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