

7C Vessels Intending to Navigate in Kitikmeot Region in Canada's Northern Waters

Navigation In Kitikmeot Region

Area of Winter Caribou Crossing

Dolphin and Union Caribou migrate from Victoria Island to the Mainland. The open ice created by vessels jeopardizes the migration of the caribou in the fall and spring and the safety of people crossing between the mainland and the island.

Voluntary Avoidance

Voluntary measures apply to any vessel transiting within the protection zone outlined in this notice (see yellow and red areas in map above) and should only be taken when they will not jeopardize the safety of navigation. These include:

- 1. Slowdown to minimum safe speed from December 1st to June 30th (Red Area);
- 2. Slowdown to minimum safe speed if caribou or people are encountered;
- 3. Use local information to avoid passing in front of caribou or people travelling on sea ice;
- 4. Avoid opening multiple leads.

Reporting

Notice required a week prior and follow up call/email before transiting the areas as follows. October 15th to November 30th and April 15th to June 30th to minimize risks to migrating caribou (Yellow Area), and December 1st to June 30th (Red Area) to minimize risks to people travelling across sea ice.

Calls should be made, in order, to:

- 1. Hamlet Main Office: 867-983-4600
- 2. Hamlet After Hours of Arctic Senior Administrative Officer: 867-983-5203
- 3. Ekaluktutiak Hunters and Trappers Organization (EHTO) Main Office: 867-983-2426
- 4. Ekaluktutiak Hunters and Trappers Organization (EHTO) After Hours: 867-445-3614

| Western Boundary | 69° 58' N | 117° 22' W; | 68° 56' N 117° 22' W |
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| NorthEastern Boundary | 69° 58' N | 101° 04' W; | 69° 54' N 097° 57' W |
| SouthEastern Boundary | 68° 14' N | 096° 00' W; | 68° 36' N 096° 00' W |

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