

Port Infrastructure Seminar

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Dominant design decision: sea entrance to Maasvlakte 2



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• Objective

Maintain nautical safety and provide sufficient nautical capacity up to 2035.

O Traffic

In 2035 number of calls will increase by 54% to 52500 per year. IWT by 170% to 140000.

- Geometry should be such that manoeuvres can safely be carried out.
- Limits of operation for all vessels in terms of wind and two way traffic.
- Turn around time (sum of arrival and departure manoeuvres incl berthing and de-berthing)

Real time manoeuvring simulations (2x)







ProSim model (TU-Delft)



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Nautical safety and accessibility



- Two way traffic restrictions will apply for vessels > 8700 TEU at 7 Bft at some locations.
- In 2035 the average turn around time increases by 20% (40 min)



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Wave conditions







Physical model results – wave reflection







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Physical scale model (Marin)





Passing ships - results



	Passeersnelheid – NYLON		
Passeerafstand	V _s =4.5 kn	V _s =5.5 kn	V _s =6.5 kn
150 m	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
100 m	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
75 m	\checkmark	\checkmark	Х

- Passing speed of 5 knots in combination with 6-7Bft wind at a distance of 100 m is acceptable (for a 12500 TEU VLCC).
- Reduction of draft leads to reduction of motions.
- Increase of waterdepth leads to reduction of motions.

Thank you for your attention.