

BRAZILIAN NAVY
COMMAND OF THE 4TH NAVAL DISTRICT

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ORDINANCE No. 223/Com4°DN, DATED 24 APRIL 2026

Authorises the navigation of merchant vessels with the specified draughts in the Canal Grande do Curuá and Arco Lamoso.

The COMMANDER OF THE 4TH NAVAL DISTRICT, in the use of the powers conferred upon him by articles 3 and 4 of Law No. 9.537, dated 11 December 1997 (LESTA), and in accordance with Ordinance No. 155/2022 of ComOpNav, resolves:

Art. 1 - To authorise the navigation of merchant vessels under the following conditions:

Paragraph 1- Maximum authorised draughts for navigation in the Arco Lamoso, via the Canal Grande do Curuá, located at the Barra Norte of the Amazon River, during the period between 1 February and 15 August of each year:

I) 11.85 metres for merchant vessels, except tankers and vessels carrying dangerous cargoes;

II) 11.65 metres for tankers and vessels carrying dangerous cargoes; and

III) conditions for pilotage services in navigation through the Arco Lamoso, via the Canal Grande do Curuá, located at the Barra Norte of the Amazon River, during the period between 1 February and 15 August of each year:

For merchant vessels, including tankers and vessels carrying dangerous cargoes, pilotage services shall be optional for draughts up to 11.55 metres. For vessels with draughts of 11.56 metres or above, pilotage services shall be mandatory.

Paragraph 2 - Maximum authorised draughts for navigation in the Arco Lamoso, via the Canal Grande do Curuá, located at the Barra Norte of the Amazon River, during the period between 16 August and 31 January of each year:

I) 11.70 metres for merchant vessels, except tankers and vessels carrying dangerous cargoes;

II) 11.50 metres for tankers and vessels carrying dangerous cargoes; and

III) conditions for pilotage services in navigation through the Arco Lamoso, via the Canal Grande do Curuá, located at the Barra Norte of the Amazon River, during the period between 16 August and 31 January of each year:

For merchant vessels, including tankers and vessels carrying dangerous cargoes, pilotage services shall be optional for draughts up to 11.50 metres. For vessels with draughts of 11.51 metres or above, pilotage services shall be mandatory.

Paragraph 3 - General recommendations for all vessels during any period of the year:

I) comply with navigation within the Arco Lamoso stretch defined by the following geographical coordinates:

a) Point 1: LAT 01°21.77'N – LONG 049°18.65'W;

b) Point 2: LAT 01°30.09'N – LONG 049°02.42'W;

c) Point 3: LAT 01°30.70'N – LONG 048°58.75'W;

- d) Point 4: LAT 01°29.36'N – LONG 048°58.77'W;
- e) Point 5: LAT 01°28.68'N – LONG 049°02.42'W;
- f) Point 6: LAT 01°20.32'N – LONG 049°18.65'W;
- g) Point 7: LAT 01°18.31'N – LONG 049°21.09'W; and
- h) Point 8: LAT 01°19.87'N – LONG 049°21.09'W.

II) adopt the following measures at the time of passage through the Arco Lamoso:

a) consider the tide in order to maintain a net Under Keel Clearance (UKC) of at least 0.5 metre for merchant vessels, except tankers and vessels carrying dangerous cargoes;

b) consider the tide in order to maintain a net UKC of at least 0.8 metre for tankers and vessels carrying dangerous cargoes; and

c) schedule passage through the navigable stretch described in item I of Paragraph 3 during high tide.

Paragraph 4 - Maintain adequate speed in order to minimise squat effect. The net UKC provided for in items a and b of item II of Paragraph 3 shall not, under any circumstances, be compromised as a result of squat effect.

Paragraph 5 - Anchoring in the vicinity of the navigable stretch of the Arco Lamoso while awaiting high tide is strictly prohibited.

Art. 2 - The Harbour Master's Offices subordinate to this Command, with jurisdiction over stretches of Pilotage Zone ZP-01, shall include, in a harmonised manner, the provisions of this Ordinance in their Rules and Procedures for Harbour Master's Offices.

Art. 3 - The Coordinating Pilot Station shall be requested to assign pilots with more than five years of navigation experience in the Canal Grande do Curuá and Arco Lamoso.

Art. 4 - Ordinances No. 7/2022 and No. 203/2025 of this Command are hereby revoked.

Art. 5 - This Ordinance enters into force on the present date.

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