

**DATE:** March 3, 2015 (Revised August 2018)

**FROM:** Port Fourchon Harbor Police

**TO:** Vessel Operators and Users of Port Fourchon Waterways

**RE:** Harbor Police Vessel Escorts

Port Fourchon Harbor Police will provide vessel escorts based on the following criteria:

1. An assist vessel (Tug) is required for barges and ships not properly equipped to safely maneuver through port waterways unassisted.
2. There must be a radio operator on the bridge who ***speaks the English language fluently.***
3. Only vessels with ***size and/or draft*** restrictions will be considered for escort.
4. A ***12-hour notice*** is required before any escort is scheduled.
5. The vessel escort must take place during ***daylight hours only.***
6. Vessels moored directly to the bulkhead **Will Not** be cleared unless it's necessary and does not interfere with the operation of the facility.
7. Any vessels not moored directly to the facility or corner moored vessels may be moved as needed.

Harbor Police Marine Patrol will make final decisions on all vessel escort requests.

For more information on vessel escorts in Port Fourchon, call the Fourchon Operations Center at (985) 396-2750.

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