How does the new Expected Transit system work?

An increased amount of information is now required in order to transit the Great Belt VTS area, and as a consequence of this an 'Expected Transit Form' has been devised. Hopefully, this will help and ease the reporting before transiting the Great Belt.

The Expected Transit Form

The Application Form is available at www.beltrep.org and it may be edited both online and offline.

Description of the workflow

- **Fill out the form**

Please fill out all the required information in the form. The 'import' button may be used to retrieve information from either email or a text document.

By pressing the 'save in browser' button, any information may be saved for later use. Saved data is however, only accessible in the same browser as the data was saved.

Help is available via tooltips by hovering the mouse over the field in question.

NOTE: Regarding Voyage ID, this is an internal Great Belt VTS voyage id and NOT the vessels voyage id. Should be left empty until you get the id from Great Belt VTS.

NOTE: Regarding Cargo/Bunker and Point of contact, all entries must be completed. If no information is available "NA" or "00" may be used. Locode / Harbour are although a mandatory entry.

- **Send the form**

When the form has been filled out it may be emailed by pressing the **'Email Expected Transit'.**
A new window will then open and you are asked to press 'Ctrl+C'.
You are then asked to confirm if the correct email program has opened.
The email program will then open a new email, and you will need to press 'Ctrl+V' to paste the report into the email. Push 'Send'.

If the default email program that opens is not the one intended, then close this window and open the correct email program and paste the data into the new email.

Email address: transit@beltrep.org
Subject: Expected Transit request and the name of your ship.

- **Acknowledge mail sent from the Great Belt VTS**

The Great Belt VTS will then automatically send an email with a confirmation of receipt within 5 to 10 minutes. If such an email is not received within this period of time, please re-send the form.

The form will subsequently be processed for validation by the VTS, and the ship will receive an email stating whether such validation is confirmed or if it is required to send a new form. If the form is rejected, an explanation will be stated in the email. Validation will happen within an hour.

NOTE: If the form is sent via INMARSAT, you will not receive any email from Great Belt Traffic.

- **If changes are to be made to a sent Expected Transit Form**

Copy the 'Voyage ID' value inside the email to the loaded expected transit form and make the changes wanted, then email the data again.

When arriving at the Beltrep area

The Expected Transit form has been sent and acknowledged by the Great Belt VTS and AIS is updated:
Call great belt traffic by VHF and give designators A, Q, R and U.
Great Belt VTS will match the information with the Expected Transit form and create a transit.

No Expected Transit form has been sent but AIS is updated:
Call Great Belt Traffic by VHF and give designators A, Q, R and U.
Great Belt VTS will match the information given with the AIS information and create a transit.

No Expected Transit form has been sent and AIS is not updated:
Call Great Belt Traffic by VHF and give a full report according to the IMO Resolution MSC.332(90).
Great Belt Traffic will then create a transit.