

VHF RADIOTELEPHONE CHANNELS FOR THE GULF AREA AND FLORIDA...

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CHANNEL	CHANNEL ASSIGNMENT – GULF COAST AND FLORIDA	LOCAL AREA USE
01,02,03,05	Public Corr. – Port Operations	
06	Intership Safety, Mandatory	
07A	Commercial, Intership, Ship/Coast (Working Channel)	
08	Commercial, Intership	
09	Commercial, Public Intership, Ship/Coast	(New) Non-Emergency Calling Channel
10	Commercial, Intership, Ship/Coast (Working Channel)	
11	Commercial, Intership, Ship/Coast (V.T.S. – Vessel Traffic System)	
12	Port Operations, Intership, Ship/Coast (V.T.S. – Vessel Traffic System)	
13	Navigational, Ship/Ship – Bridge to Bridge (Reduce power to 1 watt)	
14	Port Operations, Intership, Ship/Coast	Bridges & Locks (V.T.S. – Vessel Traffic System)
15	Environmental	Receive Only
16	Distress, Safety, Calling, Mandatory	
17	State Control, Intership, Ship/Coast	
18A	Commercial, Intership, Ship/Coast (Working Channel)	
19A	Commercial, Intership, Ship/Coast (Working Channel)	
20	Port Operations, Ship/Coast	
21A	U.S. Government Only	U.S.C.G. Aux.
22A	Coast Guard Liaison, Emergency	
23A	U.S. Government Only	U.S.C.G. Aux.
24	Public, Ship/Coast	New Orleans, Galveston, Morgan City, Cameron, Islamorada, Belle Glade
25	Public, Ship/Coast	Grand Isle, Erath, Leeville, Naples, Miami, Marathon
26	Public, Ship/Coast	New Orleans, Morgan City, Natchez, Jacksonville, Cocoa Beach, Pensacola, Cameron, Port Lavaca, Ft. Lauderdale, Key West, Tampa, Panama City,
27	Public, Ship/Coast	Mobile, Houston.
28	Public, Ship/Coast	Venice, Cocodrie, St. Petersburg, Ft. Pierce, Port Lavaca, Baton Rouge, Buras, Homestead, Nassau, Freeport, Bay City, Port Arthur, New Orleans, St. Thomas, Pascagoula.
65A	Port Operations, Intership, Ship/Coast	Venice, Houma, Gulfport, Delcambre, Mobile, Lake Charles, Ft. Walton,
66A	Port Operations, Intership, Ship/Coast	West Palm Beach, Crystal River, Coden, Apalachicola, Galveston.
67A	Commercial, Intership – Bridge to Bridge	Lower Miss. River and adjacent waters only (Reduce power to 1 watt on channel 67A.)
68	Public, Intership, Ship/Coast	
69	Public, Intership, Ship/Coast	
70	Selective Calling Only (D.S.C.) Digital Selective Calling. (for boats with ringers and DSC Capable)	NOTE: D.S.C. WILL SOON BE A VERY VISIBLE PART OF OUR MARITIME COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM
71	Public, Intership, Ship/Coast	
72	Public, Intership	
73	Port Operations, Intership, Ship/Coast	
74	Port Operations, Intership, Ship/Coast	
77	Commercial Intership	
78A	Public, Intership, Ship/Coast	
79A	Commercial, Intership, Ship/Coast (Working Channel)	
80A	Commercial, Intership, Ship/Coast (Working Channel)	
81A	U.S. Government Only	U.S.C.G. Aux.
82A	U.S. Government Only	
83A	U.S. Government Only	U.S.C.G. Aux.
84	Public, Ship/Coast	Slidell, LaRose, Lake Charles, Boca Raton
85	Public, Ship/Coast	Hopedale, Pontchatoula, Leesville, Fouchon
86	Public, Ship/Coast	Venice, Houma
87	Public, Ship/Coast	New Orleans, Erath
88	Commercial, Intership (Working Channel) (Shrimp Boat Frequency)	
WX-1 to 4	Weather Channels –Recv. Only –	New Orleans is WX 1 - Try WX Ch1 to 4 for your area

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN PRESUMED TO BE CORRECT BUT NOT GUARANTEED BY SEA-TRAC.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

MAYDAY: IMMEDIATE DANGER
SEQUENCE:

- 1 – SELECT CHANNEL 16
- 2 – REPEAT MAYDAY THREE TIMES
- 3 – GIVE VESSEL NAME AND CALL SIGN
- 4 – GIVE POSITION OF VESSEL
- 5 – DESCRIBE EMERGENCY
- 6 – IF NO ANSWER, REPEAT, THEN TRY ANOTHER CHANNEL

VESSEL TO VESSEL

- 1) Monitor Ch. 16 and Ch. 9.
 - 2) Call on Ch. 9 first, if no Resp, try Ch 16.
 - 3) Switch to working Ch. after contact.
 - 4) Return to Ch. 16 after conversation is over.
- If your radio has dual watch monitor Ch 9 also.

CELLULAR

Dial other vessels cellular number, use area code.

SHIP TO SHORE

- 1) Call Marine Operators on their working Ch.
- 2) Identify your vessel, give tele. no. calling.
- 3) After conversation return to Ch. 16 and Ch 9 if you have dual watch.

NOTE: You may also call a cellular mobile number by same procedure.