



RECOMMENDED CROSSING ROUTE FOR SMALL VESSELS

The crossing route is marked with the MV buoy on the south side and the MN1 buoy on the north side of the route.

Crossing route buoy positions:

Name	Type	Characteristics	Position	
MV west cardinal	light buoy	Q (9) 15 sec	51° 58.4' N	003° 56.7' E
MN1 starboard	light buoy	Lfl.G.5s	52° 02.2' N	004° 01.9' E

Rules of conduct for the Meuse estuary crossing route:

- Before you cross the Meuse estuary, when approaching the MV buoy (coming from the south) or the MN1 buoy (coming from the north) you must report yourself to the VTS on marine VHF radio channel 3, Maas estuary sector.
- In doing so, report the name of the vessel, sailing direction and the position in relation to the MV or MN1 buoy.
- During the crossing you must continually listen out on VHF channel 3. After the crossing you do not need to sign out.
- (Channel bound) seagoing vessels, sailing in or nearby the Meuse channel have difficulty giving way there. By clearly providing space and giving room to these vessels, you prevent them from having to be put into an obligatory give way situation.
- If you are not using your engine to sail, this must still be ready for immediate use.
- Tacking is strongly discouraged when crossing the Meuse channel without using the engine.

You can obtain information from the Hook of Holland VTS switchboard, telephone +31 (0) 10-2522801 or VHF channel 1.