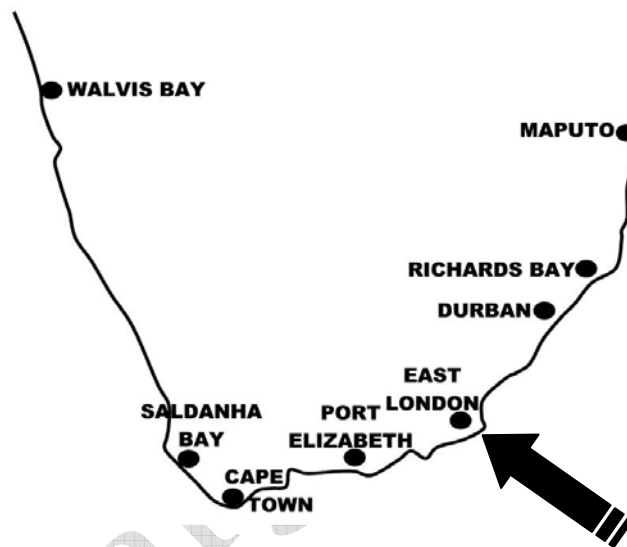


EAST LONDON PORT INFORMATION



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EAST LONDON

1 PORT

1.1 NAME

East London

1.2 POSITION

Latitude 33 02 ' S
Longitude 27 55 ' E

1.3 TIME

GMT +2 hours. No summertime adjustment.

1.4 UNCTAD LOCODE

ZA ELS

2 PORT DESCRIPTION

2.1 LOCATION

East London is a river port, on the mainland, situated on the Buffalo River, north east of Port Elizabeth on the east coast of South Africa. Depths of water in the entrance channel and harbour are maintained by two modern dredgers with a minimum depth in the entrance channel of 12,7 m and a permitted maximum draft in the harbour of 10,0 m.

2.2 GENERAL OVERVIEW

The port has 11 berths able to accommodate all types of cargoes, a dry dock for any form of bottom repair and a grain elevator to handle free-flowing grain products.

Exports are principally made up of maize, minerals and prepared fruit. Imports include motor vehicle components, machinery, wheat, maize, chemical and petroleum products.

Tonnages handled per annum:

TOTAL CARGO HANDLED -2005	EAST LONDON
LANDED	
IMPORTS	380357
COASTWISE	826097
TOTAL CARGO LANDED	1206454
SHIPPED	
EXPORTS	441,358
COASTWISE	-
TOTAL CARGO SHIPPED	441358
TRANSHIPMENT CARGO	36
TOTAL CARGO HANDLED	1647848

2.3 MAXIMUM SIZE

Length 245 m. No restrictions on breadth and air draft.

3 PRE ARRIVAL INFORMATION

3.1 ETA's

The Owner or agent must give written notification to the Port Captain 72 hours prior to the expected arrival of a vessel. In addition, the following information is required:

ETA (date and time)
Gross tonnage
Length of vessel
Draft forward and aft
Nature of services required
Intended business
Dangerous cargo for discharge or in transit. IMCO class

Any other relevant information
 Name of person or agency requesting services
 Telex number

Radio advice from the Master of a vessel must be directed to : "Port Control - East London"

ISPS Requirements: Change from time to time thus it is important that Owners/Disponent Owners contact their agents for an up dated advice. ISPS must be submitted min of 4 days and max 7days prior arrival.

3.2 DOCUMENTATION

The following documents should be prepared and ready on berthing :

Customs

Two Crew lists
 List of narcotics on board
 One Ship's stores list
 One Crew Declaration of crew's personal effects
 One Customs form DA5
 Masters are advised to contact their local shipping agent for additional details

Port Health

Maritime Declaration of Health
 One Vaccination list
 Two Crew lists
 Valid De-Rat Certificate

Immigration

One Passenger list
 Two Crew lists
 One Stowaway list
 One Coastal form when applicable
 The boarding officer will issue forms for "clearance out"

Agents

Two Crew lists
 Load Line Certificate
 Safety Radio Certificate
 Safety Equipment
 International Tonnage Certificate / Light Dues Certificate – if from a South African port
 Customs Transire – if from a South African port

3.3 RADIO

Port Elizabeth Radio which operates 24 hours per day - 2182 - Channel 16

3.4 HEALTH

Quarantine - free pratique should be requested 48 hours prior to arrival of a vessel. Radio advice to "Port Health East London" direct through Port Elizabeth Radio advising name and nationality of the vessel, last port, destination, health conditions on board, number of crew and passengers, type of cargo or in ballast and ETA (date and time). Port Health will advise a vessel directly either granting pratique or requesting further details.

3.5 CUSTOMS & IMMIGRATION

Nil

3.6 STANDARD MESSAGES

Nil

3.7 FLAGS

National, Courtesy, P or I or as directed by pilot

3.8 NOTICE OF READINESS

Notice of Readiness time is based on arrival pilot station which the Master/Agent obtains from Port Control. Agent normally tenders NOR on telex as soon after vessel arrives Pilot Station and written NOR is tendered on berthing of the vessel.

3.9 REGULATIONS & GENERAL NOTICES

South African Harbour Regulations refer. Not normally presented to Master.

3.10 AGENCY

No special requirements but sometimes written into a Charter Party.

4 NAVIGATION

4.1 PORT LIMITS

Maximum length permissible for turning safely in the lower turning basin:

Length	-	245 m
Beam	-	no limitation
Draft	-	10 m

Vessels in excess of 10m up to a maximum draft of 10,4m may, under certain circumstances, be handled subject to prior arrangements.

Tanker Berth Limitations

The tanker berth can accommodate vessels up to a maximum length of 204,20 metres and a draft of 10,0 metres.

4.2 SEA BUOY, FAIRWAYS & CHANNELS

Two miles north east of main breakwater. No buoys exist.

4.3 PILOT

Two miles north east of main breakwater - East London Port Control - VHF Channel 16. Pilotage compulsory. Pilot boat black hull, white superstructure. There are no helicopter facilities. 2 pilots are available, one being required per vessel. Minimum draft - safe and effective control of the vessel.

4.4 ANCHORAGES

One mile east of main breakwater. There are no special anchorages. There is no prohibited anchorage. Holding ground is good, sand in 35m of water. Exposed.

4.5 TIDES

1,7 metres

4.6 DOCK DENSITY

1025

4.7 WEATHER

Temperate/sub-tropical. Winds north easterly and south westerly.

4.8 VHF

Call VHF East London Port Control, Channel 16 - working VHF East London Port Control, Channel 12

4.9 NAVIGATION AIDS

Lighthouse - Hood Point. Gp Fl (4) 40 sec 31 m leading lights.
White over Red 250 deg - Grain Silo's at root of main breakwater.

4.10 CHARTS AND PUBLICATIONS

BA 1843. Admiralty Pilot : 3

4.11 TRAFFIC SCHEMES

Nil

4.12 RESTRICTIONS

Harbour Limitations :

Maximum draft	10,00 m	at any tide
Maximum length for tankers	204,20 m	
Maximum length for general cargo	245,00 m	
Maximum draft at grain elevator	10,00 m	at any tide

Draft permissible at entrance : 10,40 m to berth/sail on high water only, depending on weather conditions. Master to draft indemnity.

This draft restriction, may, however, be increased to 10,40 m provided the vessel completes and sails on a rising tide. The Master is to sign an indemnity form confirming that his vessel will be ready to sail at the top of the tide and, by failure to do so, there will be no recourse to the Port Authorities for any delayed sailing, etc.

The size of a Panamax vessel able to enter the harbour is controlled by the draft and depth of water over the bar, ie 10m plus, on application to the Port Captain, 0,4 m dependent on tide and weather conditions.

The Combi-Terminal (which handles containerised traffic) has a maximum draft of 10,1 m. There is also a dedicated Ro-Ro Berth at K-Corner with a maximum draft of 10,0 m.

Tankers loaded with white oils, ie hazardous cargo, may only berth during daylight hours. Port Authorities will, however, allow sailing up to 2200 hours (weather permitting). Tankers carrying black oil will be attended to in the same manner as cargo vessels.

4.13 TUGS

Two Tugs - "Umthlume" and "Imonti" - 38 ton bollard pull. Ordered by pilot. Both have fire-fighting capability.

4.14 COAST GUARD

South African Search and Rescue. Great Fish Point to Port Saint Johns.

4.15 BERTHING & UNBERTHING

No unusual movements/manoeuvres.

5 BERTHS AND CARGO

5.1 BERTHS

5.2 FACILITIES

All berths are operated by the Port Authority. The port owns a fleet of mobile cranes, forklifts, trucks, shunting tractors, straddle carriers, haulers and trailers.

	LENGTH (METRES)	MAXIMUM DRAFT	CRANES (ELECTRIC) NO.	LIFTING CAPACITY (TONS)	GAUGE OF TRACK RAIL CENTRE (METRES)	
East Bank						
C-Berth	200,0	10,0				Marine Craft Vegetable Oil Discharge
F-Berth	180,0	9,9	4	4	4,1	
G-Berth	180,0	10,1				
I-Berth	130,0	8,5				
K-Berth	250,0	10,4	2	4		
L-Berth	250,0	10,4				
West Bank						
T-Berth	190,0	10,4			4,1	Maize Elevator
S-Berth	190,0	10,4			4,1	
Oil Tanker Berth	259,1	10,4				
R-Berth	245,0	9,3				Car Terminal
N-Berth	245,0	8,7				Car Terminal
Repair Quay	110,0	5,5				

5.3 STORAGE

Shed and Storage Accommodation – G and F berths
Total open storage

4,140 square m
3,8 hectares

Combi-Terminal:

The Combi-Terminal situated on the East Bank can accommodate 42 reefers

Importers/Exporters stack

2268 TEU's

Refer Slots

52

Grain Elevator:
Storage capacity

76,000 tons

5.4 CARGO

Details on request from Ships Agents

5.5 BARGES

None

5.6 BALLAST & SLOPS

Ballast : No Restrictions
Ballast/Slop Reception : None available

5.7 SECURITY

Police, ambulance and fire services available.

5.8 SAFETY

Fire watch required. Tugs on standby on 24 hr basis. No washing facilities available. Cathodic protection system to be shut down whilst discharging/loading.

5.9 CARGO DOCUMENTATION

National Port Authority (NPA) / Agents supply documentation prior to sailing. Departure to be booked by agent with Port Control and half hour notice of change to be given.

5.10 GENERAL BERTHING INFORMATION

Nil

6 GENERAL

6.1 REPAIRS

A full range of repair facilities for hull, engine, electrical and electronics are available.

6.2 DOCKING SHIP REPAIR FACILITIES

Princess Elizabeth Graving Dock :

Length on keel blocks	193,10 m
Width at coping	31,20 m
Width at entrance top	27,20 m
Maximum width at bottom	21,03 m
Depth on entrance sill	10,20 m
Maximum width at sill	22,90 m
Maximum beam	24,80 m
Maximum docking length	210,00 m

6.3 BUNKERS/WATER/STORES

Fresh water available. Bunkering - heavy fuel oil and gas oil by direct pipeline at grain elevator.

6.4 MEDICAL FACILITIES

Three major hospitals within 5km of port – St Dominic, EL Private Hospital and State Hospital.

6.5 TRANSPORT

Nearest airport	:	Ben Schoeman (8km)
Airport facilities	:	Modern airport, facilities for crew change and airfreight.
Nearest railway	:	Direct ex-harbour

6.6 REPATRIATION

The Mission to Seamen's Club at port entrance has now been closed.

6.7 CONSULS

France, Italy, and Portugal.

6.8 BANKS

All major banks within walking distance of the port.

6.9 HOLIDAYS

Public Holidays :	
January 1	New Year's Day

March 21	Human Rights Day	
March/April	Good Friday	[Date fluctuates]
March/April	Family Day	[Date fluctuates]
April 27	Freedom Day	
May 1	Workers Day	
June 16	Youth Day	
August 9	Women's Day	
September 24	Heritage Day	
December 16	Reconciliation Day	
December 25	Christmas Day	
December 26	Goodwill Day	

Note: Where a Public Holiday falls on a Sunday, the following Monday will be treated as a Public Holiday in lieu.

6.10 WORKING HOURS

0600-2200 (Monday to Fridays)
0600-1800 (Saturday/Sunday and Public Holidays by arrangement, 24-hour service available on request)

6.11 DEVELOPMENTS

Construction of car terminal is now complete. It can accommodate 2776 units on its 4 floors, and handles approximately 25000 units under imports and 12000 units are exported annually. There is storage for a further 1000 units on quayside.

6.12 RECREATION

Latimer's Landing Waterfront entertainment complex within the port.

6.13 GARBAGE

Skips will be provided on arrival, at minimal cost. Collection by Port Authorities.

6.14 OFFICIALS AND VISITORS

No restrictions.

6.15 FUMIGATION

Fumigation services for cargo and ships available. For ships fumigation, crew has to be accommodated in hotels ashore.

6.16 POLLUTION

Normal International Regulations apply. Pollution of Harbours and International Sea Limits is controlled by the Port Authorities and the Department of Transport Marine Division. Any case of pollution to be reported immediately; depending on liability/negligence heavy fines may or may not be imposed. It is recommended that immediate action is taken. The South African government operates coastal patrol boats and aircraft to spot any infringements.

7 PORT DUES

Raised as per National Port Authority (NPA) Tariff, available on request from Ships Agents or Port Authorities.

7.1 CHARGES

Available on request from Agent or Port Authorities

7.2 WORKED EXAMPLE OF CHARGES

Available upon request from Ships Agents or NPA Tariff Manager - to calculate require vessel's GRT as shown in international tonnage certificate (1969) or the highest gross cubic metres appearing on vessel's register plus the cubic metre capacity of all cargo spaces not included.