

10 Things to Consider Before Your Ship Enters Piracy Prone Area

While the number of piracy attacks along the coast of Somalia has decreased, there has been a substantial increase in piracy incidents along the coast of West Africa. As maritime organizations continue to bring in newer regulations and guidelines to protect ship from pirates, seafarers are also required to stay extremely cautious and vigilant when their ship enters a piracy high-risk area.

The following are the things seafarers must do before entering piracy affected zone/ high risk areas.

1. Keep yourself updated with the latest happenings of the high risk areas.
2. Take all measures for crew safety.
3. Check ship's freeboard.
4. Prepare to keep ship's speed more than 18 knots.
5. Keep non-lethal weapons ready.
6. Check fire pumps and engines.
7. Secure doors and hatches.
8. Brief crew and conduct drill.
9. Check ship's AIS system, radar, and other important navigation equipment.
10. Keep communication ON.



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