



Visakha Container Terminal Private Limited

Subject	Berthing Policy for Container Vessels		
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Policy Guidelines -

1. Vessel Operator shall declare ETA of vessel 72 hrs prior arrival to planning section by e-mail.
2. Vessel operator shall submit the berthing application indicating firm ETA 24 hrs prior to the vessel arrival to VCT planning section.
3. If the change in ETA is more than 2 hrs from that declared in the berthing application, then the ETA amendment shall be sent by the vessel operator to VCT planning section at least 12 hrs prior to vessel arrival.
4. VCT Berth will be allocated strictly as per the ETA declared in the berthing application and based on the agreed move exchange per call, stowage particulars received from the vessel operator.
5. Berthing priority will be accorded in the following sequential manner –
 - i) Vessels which have declared 3 month schedule in advance and calling VCT on a regular scheduled window basis has the priority over all other vessels.
 - ii) Vessel which has declared firm ETA 24 hrs in advance and has arrived port limits within +/- 2 hrs on time as mentioned in the berthing application.
 - iii) Vessel which has arrived port limits not maintaining declared ETA in the berthing application.
6. Amongst non-window vessels, main line vessels will have priority in berthing over the other vessels.
7. VCT reserves its right to change berthing plan due to operational reasons.
8. The policy shall be valid till further notice.