

Southern Currents



Notice to the Area Port of New Orleans Trade Community

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SUBJECT: 2018 Federal Holidays for the Area Port of New Orleans

The Area Port Director's office and associated staff, along with the Entry, FP&F, Vessel Repair, and Import Specialist Units will be closed on the days listed below in observance of the respective federal holidays:

Martin Luther King Day	Monday January 15, 2018
President's Day	Monday February 19, 2018
Memorial Day	Monday May 28, 2018
Independence Day	Wednesday July 4, 2018
Labor Day	Monday September 3, 2018
Columbus Day	Monday October 8, 2018
Veteran's Day	Monday November 12, 2018
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday November 22, 2018
Christmas Day	Tuesday December 25, 2018
New Year's Day	Tuesday January 1, 2019

Mardi Gras Day, Tuesday February 13, 2018, is **not** a federal holiday. Regular hours will be observed at all locations except the Centralized Examination Station [CES] which will be closed due to parade traffic. If the Container Terminals are open, CBP will be on site to staff the Radiation Portal Monitors [RPMs]. Additional information on relocating the Marine Division due to parade traffic the weekend before Mardi Gras, and on Mardi Gras Day, will disseminated via a Southern Currents closer to Mardi Gras.

Airport and Seaport Operations:

- U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Port of New Orleans Airport and Seaport operations observe regular hours on federal holidays.
- The Centralized Examination Station (CES) is closed on federal holidays.
- The Radiation Portal Monitors (RPMs) follow the Terminal Operator's schedule on federal holidays. If the terminal is open, CBP staffs the RPMs. If the terminal is closed, CBP does not staff the RPMs.

Outlying CBP Ports of Entry:

- The Port of Morgan City observes regular hours on federal holidays.
- The Ports of Baton Rouge, Lake Charles and Shreveport are open for specific services via appointment on federal holidays. Requests for services on a federal holiday should be made by contacting the port office on the business day preceding the federal holiday.
- The Port of Gramercy is closed on federal holidays. Requests for services should be directed to the Port of New Orleans Operations Desk.

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