

# Flood forecasts for the coming days

Dear Sir, dear Madam,

Due to heavy rainfall and the forecast for further widespread and very intense precipitation, the risk of flooding on the Rhine is increasing. However, there are still significant uncertainties in the weather forecast regarding the spatial focus and the intensity of the associated precipitation.

Most weather models indicate that, with respect to the state of Baden-Württemberg, particularly the eastern half of the state will be affected by this weather situation. Very significant and rapid water level rises are expected in the affected water bodies starting Friday.

The Maxau gauge is expected to exceed Flood Mark II by Saturday noon or evening. At a water level of 7.50 meters, inland navigation will be suspended.

Due to the aforementioned uncertainties, only the beginning of the flood rise can be predicted for some gauges. However, sufficiently reliable estimates of the expected peak water level are not currently possible.

## **Closures:**

**Maxau** (Route – Iffezheim – Germersheim): **Closure on June 2 from approximately 6:00 PM to 11:59 PM.**

**Kaub** (Route – Lorch – Bad Salzig): possible closure on Monday/Tuesday.

## **Affected ships:**

- 394619 – Vision – Currently in Basel Port (downstream) – Loading export on Friday
- 394665 – Gerard Albert II – Currently in Basel Port (downstream) – Loading export on Friday – will depart on time. Dependent on the locks, may be affected by Maxau closure
- 394670 – Contargo I – Currently in Basel Port (downstream). Loading export on Friday
- 394449 – Ardito I+II – Currently in Neuss Port (upstream). Traveling to Mannheim (import Wörth / Karlsruhe)
- 393327 – Cugini – Currently in Rotterdam Seaport (upstream). ETD June 2 around 1:00 AM – uncertain if the ship can pass Kaub before Monday evening

We will inform you based on your booking if your containers are affected by closures.

For any questions and/or further information, our employees are happy to assist you.

Best regards,  
Your Waterway Team at Contargo