

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Maritime Authority keeps several state ports closed after the quake

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Where	Veraguas, Bocas del Toro, Coclé, Herrera, Los Santos; Remedios and Pedregal, Chiriquí
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Summary

The Panama Maritime Authority (AMP) is keeping several state ports in Veraguas, Bocas del Toro, Coclé, Herrera and Los Santos closed until further notice for structural inspections after the 9 October magnitude 7.5 quake; in Chiriquí, public service at the Remedios office is suspended, though Pedregal port continues handling departures.

Details (summary of the article)

According to La Prensa, the Panama Maritime Authority (AMP) announced it will keep several state ports closed until further notice while engineers inspect their structural condition following the magnitude 7.5 earthquake of Friday 9 October, whose epicentre was 39 km west of Tonosí in Los Santos. The closures cover Puerto Vidal and Puerto Mutis in Veraguas, Puerto Almirante in Bocas del Toro, and port facilities in Coclé, Herrera and Los Santos. Public attention has also been temporarily suspended at AMP administrative offices in Veraguas, Herrera, Coclé and Los Santos, as well as at the Remedios office in Chiriquí and Almirante in Bocas del Toro. Despite the preventive closures, departure clearances (zarpes) continue to be processed at Almirante, Mutis and Pedregal, the latter in Chiriquí near David. The AMP says it is coordinating technical evaluations with other agencies to confirm the facilities are safe before normal operations resume, and that the decision also takes into account port workers whose homes and families were affected by the quake. No reopening date has been given.

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AMP mantiene cerrados varios puertos estatales tras el terremoto de magnitud 7.5

La Autoridad Marítima de Panamá (AMP) informó que mantendrá cerrados hasta nuevo aviso varios puertos estatales en cinco provincias del país.