GENERAL

[1] Landing / hoist area to be advised to VTS operator in accordance with minimum dimensions and obstacle limitations as required by the Dutch Civil Aviation Authorities (for details refer to Operational Safety Criteria for Receiving Pilot by Helicopter)

[2] All deck cranes and/or other moving gear on deck lowered and secured

[3] All loose objects within and close to landing / hoist area removed or secured

[4] Landing / hoist area free of dirt, cargo remains and/or ice

[5] Landing / hoist area well lighted between sunset and sunrise or in case of poor visibility

[6] Deck lights directed to the deck in downward position (in order to avoid blinding of helicopter pilots)

[7] Relative wind on deck noted

[8] VHF set to channel 1 - MAAS APPROACH (channel bound vessels) or channel 2 - PILOT MAAS (others)

FOR TANKERS ONLY

[9] Pressure in cargo tanks released not earlier than 30 minutes prior to start of operations (if no inert gas system)

[10] Pressure in cargo tanks reduced to slightly positive (if fitted with inert gas system)


FOR GAS CARRIERS ONLY

[12] Pressure in cargo tanks released not earlier than 30 minutes prior to start of operations (if no inert gas system)

FOR BULK / COMBINATION CARRIERS ONLY

[13] Surface ventilation stopped and all hatch openings battened down (if drying bulk cargoes)

FIRE FIGHTING

[14] Fire fighting precautions at landing / hoist area taken as per ships capacity (for detailed recommendations refer to the ICS Guide to Helicopter/Ship Operations Guide)

CREW

[15] Crew member(s) to assist maritime pilot assigned and prior to start of operations duly instructed:
   - about location of hoist / landing area (if not a fixed position on board
   - to take as much as possible a sheltered position outside landing / hoist area prior to and during
   - to stay outside landing / hoist area at all times
   - in case of hoisting not to touch the hoist cable

[16] Crew member to assist maritime pilot provided with VHF hand set

[17] Crew members not involved in pilot by helicopter operations instructed to stay away from weather deck

[18] All crew members instructed not to use photo flash (in order to avoid blinding of helicopter pilots)
**IF HOISTING ONTO / FROM BRIDGE WING**

[19] Bridge wing floor space uncovered (rubber mats, wooden gratings or other covers removed)  
[20] All radar scanners on stand-by  

**COMPLETION**

[21] Deck / fire party confirmed in place and ready for operations  
[22] Master on the bridge and advised about checklist status  
[23] Vessel ready for receiving pilot by helicopter (to be confirmed to VTS operator when requested)