# Logistics

"Leading in safe, rapid and sustainable logistics operations"





## Logistics in Zeeland

The Netherlands has the largest concentration of logistic service providers in Europe. Indeed, it lies at the very heart of Europe's largest consumer market (nearly 500 million inhabitants), in proximity to major cities such as London, Paris and Brussels, and is only a few steps away from other major markets such as Germany, France and Great Britain.

"The Netherlands has the largest concentration of logistic service providers in Europe." Thanks to Zeeland's strategic location between the ports of Rotterdam and Antwerp and the congestion-free hinterland connections via water, road and rail, one can access this European consumer market relatively quickly.

Large chemical companies, agrifood and the offshore sector all depend on the proper supply and distribution of raw materials and products. The port of Zeeland, together with Rotterdam and Amsterdam one of the Netherlands' main ports, also creates extra commodity flows in the region.

All these assets make Zeeland a smart choice for logistics companies looking to open a new distribution center or expand their business.

## Business locations that offer room to grow

In Zeeland there are a number of business parks that are particularly interesting for logistics companies looking for prime locations, as well as one of the main ports of the Netherlands.

#### Flushing Servicepark

A 'dry' industrial area located in the port area in Vlissingen. Companies can buy or lease the lots and the dimensions of the plots are flexible.

#### Welgelegen/Business Park A4 Tholen

Business Park A4 has become popular due to its strategic location on the new A4 motorway between Amsterdam and Antwerp. This modern and highly accessible business park has a wide range of available plots with flexible layout constraints.

### SPECIAL

#### **Offshore logistics**

Zeeland is in a unique position thanks to its strategic location near the many offshore oil and gas platforms and wind farms in the North Sea. Logistics service providers in Zeeland have extensive experience when it comes to the storage and transshipment of various types of large objects for the offshore industry. Plus, they have specialist knowledge in the assembly of parts.

## Dedicated terminals

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Contractors:

#### Bow Terminal Verbrugge Terminals B.V. Mammoet Heerema Fabrication Group, Damen Shiprepair Conversion, VDS

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#### Agrifood Logistics

A lot of food involves fresh products, which demand rapid transport. By rail, road or inland shipping: Zeeland has surprisingly fast connections to a wide range of countries worldwide. Zeeland has the largest port in the Netherlands for the harvesting and transshipment of conventionally grown fruit. The port even has its own Food Port in Vlissingen (the Bijleveldhaven) which is a thriving center of specialists in the processing, storage and transshipment of food products and reefer containers.

#### **Dedicated terminals**

for food:

Kloosterboer Vlissingen, ZZColdstores Van Duyn

#### **Process industry logistics**

More than 250 logistics and industrial companies are located in the port areas of Zeeland as well as dedicated business parks such as the Valuepark Terneuzen and the Maintenance Valuepark.

#### Dedicated terminals for

process industry:

Verbrugge Terminals Bulk Terminal Zeeland Oiltanking VOPAK Terminal Vlissingen

#### De Poort Rilland

Located on the outskirts of Zeeland, De Poort Business Park is literally the gateway to Zeeland. The site is situated directly on the A58 motorway, in close distance to the port areas of Zeeland, Antwerp and Rotterdam.

#### Terneuzen Zuid

The Terneuzen Zuid industrial estate is located in the center of the industrial area in the Canal Zone between Ghent and Terneuzen. There are also a lot of maintenance, logistics and biobased industries in the area, where innovation, sustainability and cooperation are key priorities.

#### Hogeweg Hulst

Its close proximity to the port of Antwerp and in an area where there is little traffic congestion makes Hogeweg Business Park in Hulst unique. The supply chains of already established companies run via the surrounding ports, as well as via road and regionally located airports.

## Leading companies

- Transport and logistics serviceproviders: Tieleman Transport, Vlaeynatie, Bertschi, KatoenNatie, Ravago
- Storage and transshipment: Adantra, Kloosterboer, Verbrugge
- E-Commerce: Alternate, O'Moda, Bax Shop, Beate Uhse, Your surprise, Hemi, Sligro, Energetica Natura

### Facts & figures

## **Approximately 200**

logistics service providers that offer services such as transport, warehousing, storage and transshipment.

5,800 sea going vessels

22,600 inland waterway vessels

## Approximately 33 million tons

Sea-going vessels' cargo handled. (dry bulk, liquid bulk and breakbulk)



"Alternate chose Tholen for its central location and the good north-south connection, including the new A4 motorway. Because it is congestion-free, cities like Rotterdam, Antwerp and Breda can be reached in just 35 minutes." NICO BOMMELJÉ, ALTERNATE



#### Port area

Port authority North Sea Port manages and operates the ports of Vlissingen (Zeeland), Terneuzen (Zeeland) and Ghent (Belgium). Together they form the fast growing 10th largest port in Europe. The port area is home to some 525 companies which are active in industry, logistics and maritime services.

- Deep navigation water Vlissingen 16,5 meters, Terneuzen 12,5 meters - and hardly any tidal limitations;
- The Westerschelde has an open connection to the North Sea (1-hour-distance) and is close to international shipping routes.
- Excellent connections with European inland waterways
- An efficient rail network and an extensive pipeline network
- Dedicated service providers and terminals for a broad range of cargo
- Quick turnaround times



"The Netherlands is an excellent base for companies who operate internationally. Zeeland is close to the world ports of Antwerp and Rotterdam, there are excellent hinterland connections with the rest of Europe and at the same time we benefit from the mutually supportive, dedicated, 'no-nonsense' attitude of the staff here." PAUL HARTENDORP, TIMESAVERS INTERNATIONAL

## The advantages of doing business in Zeeland

Zeeland is home to one of the Netherlands main ports, with direct access to the North Sea and strategically located between the ports of Rotterdam and Antwerp.

Zeeland is highly industrialized and is home to one of the largest chemical Europe. Major players in the worldwide chemicals industry, agrifood and offshore industry benefit from the central location, superior logistics infrastructure, relatively low costs for companies, a competitive fiscal climate, reliable and business friendly authorities, the many synergies created here and the favorable living-and-working

Zeeland offers room for entrepreneurship in a personal, relatively smallscale environment. This allows us to act fast and offer tailor-made advice so you can get started quickly.

## Let us guide you

Invest in Zeeland supports companies that are interested in establishing or expanding their business in the Dutch province of Zeeland. Benefit from our knowledge and contacts, free of charge and on a confidential basis. This can involve anything from establishing your business in Zeeland to finding talent and the introduction to public-private partnerships.

Invest in Zeeland is part of the regional development agency NV Economische Impuls Zeeland (Impuls). At home and abroad, Impuls works together with authorities, knowledge institutes, companies and numerous other partner organizations in order to strengthen businesses in Zeeland.

Invest in Zeeland is a partner in the Invest in Holland network: a collaborative team of the Netherlands Foreign Investment Agency, regional economic development agencies and several large cities.

#### We can help you with:

- Building a network in Zeeland
- Fact Finding Trip
- Financing
- Finding Talent
- Incentives & taxes
- Legal and tax affairs
- Licensing procedures
- Market Research
- Setting up your company in Zeeland
- Expanding your company in Zeeland
- Selection of business locations



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