

U.S. Chart No. 1

Symbols, Abbreviations and Terms used on Paper and Electronic Navigational Charts



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New in Edition 12: ECDIS Symbols and Other ECDIS Information

Symbology for displaying Electronic Navigational Charts (ENCs) on an Electronic Chart Display and Information System (ECDIS) has been added to U.S. Chart No. 1. See the Preface and Introduction sections for more details.

In addition to the ECDIS symbols shown in the traditional lettered sections of U.S. Chart No. 1, there are now several special pages devoted exclusively to providing important details about ECDIS. These pages are distinguished by the ECDIS icon, as shown in the top left corner of this page. The ECDIS pages are also listed in the table of contents in italic type.

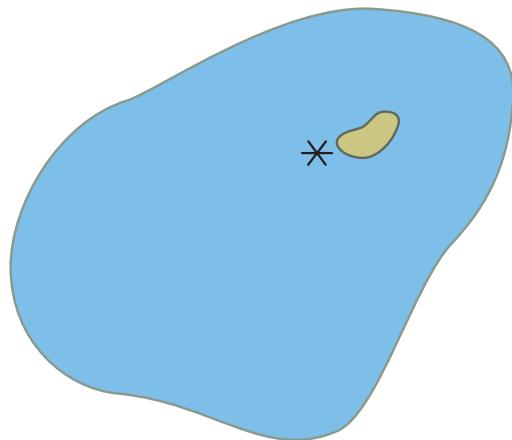


One major difference in the use of paper charts and ENCs is the ability of ECDIS to display the same feature differently depending on user settings and other conditions, such as a ship's draft. An important example is that ECDIS displays wrecks, rocks and other obstructions with their traditional "paper chart" symbols if they are at or deeper than the depth of the safety contour set for the ship. Dangers that are shoaler are portrayed with the unique ECDIS "isolated danger" symbol shown at left. (See the ECDIS Portrayal of Depths page for more information about the ECDIS safety contour.)



Another advantage that ECDIS provides over paper charts is enabling users to obtain more information about a feature through a "cursor pick." Some feature attribute values that can be obtained by cursor pick are noted throughout U.S. Chart No. 1. This is especially true if a particular value, such as height, vertical clearance or the like is included in the INT symbol description. The cursor pick icon, shown at left, is used to indicate when a reference to a cursor pick is made.

There are many other attribute values that users may obtain through a cursor pick that are not specifically noted. These include, but are not limited to, the purpose, seasonality, periodicity, status, color, height, type of structure and the visual or radar conspicuity of features; shape, color or color pattern of buoys; characteristics of lights; category of obstructions and wrecks; radar wave length, radio frequency, communication channel and call signs; the presence of AIS transmitted signals; information regarding pilotage services and many more.



No man is an island and no single reference document stands on its own. U.S. Chart No. 1 is a handy guide for ECDIS users, but it is no substitute for mandated ECDIS training.

The ECDIS user and developer communities are invited to help improve the presentation of ECDIS symbology and information in U.S. Chart No. 1. We want to know what you think works well, which parts are a little rocky, and what additional information you would like to have included in the next edition of U.S. Chart No. 1.

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SYMBOLS, ABBREVIATIONS AND TERMS

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PREFACE

Presentation of Two Symbology Sets

This edition of U.S. Chart No. 1 has a new name and a new look. Its title is now *Symbols, Abbreviations and Terms used on Paper and Electronic Navigational Charts*. For the first time, U.S. Chart No. 1 presents both of the major symbology sets used for marine navigation.

As in previous editions, the symbols used on paper nautical charts produced by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) and digital raster representations of those charts, such as NOAA Raster Nautical Charts (NOAA RNCs®), are presented in lettered sections organized in categories, such as Landmarks, Depths, and Lights. New in this edition is the inclusion of the corresponding symbols used to portray Electronic Navigational Chart (ENC) data on Electronic Chart Display and Information Systems (ECDIS) as specified by the International Hydrographic Organization (IHO).

Other Non-ECDIS Digital Displays May Portray Data Differently

Navigation systems certified to meet the exacting performance standards established by the International Maritime Organization (IMO) are said to be ECDIS “type approved.” The symbology used to display ENCs or other non-ENC nautical navigational data on *non-ECDIS systems*, such as geographic information systems, recreational GPS and other chart display systems can differ significantly from the symbology specified for ECDIS type approved systems. U.S. Chart No. 1 *only shows the symbology used on ECDIS*.

INTRODUCTION

New Column Headers

The orientation of this edition of U.S. Chart No. 1 has been rotated 90° into a landscape format to allow two additional columns to be added to the right side of the page. These columns hold the ECDIS symbols corresponding to the paper chart symbols shown on the left side.

“INT 1” symbols, as specified in the *Regulations of the IHO for International (INT) Charts and Chart Specifications of the IHO*, appear in the second column from the left, after the symbol number. Any variations from INT 1 symbology that are used on charts produced by NOAA or NGA are shown in the NOAA, NGA and the “Other NGA” columns (columns 4a, 4b, and 5 respectively).

ECDIS symbols and their descriptions are shown in columns 6 and 7 respectively. The ECDIS description usually provides the generic symbol name given in the *IHO Specifications for Chart Content and Display Aspects of ECDIS*, although sometimes other clarifying terms are also provided in column 7. The ECDIS symbols shown use the day color palette (see page 9).

When columns 4a and 4b are combined, this indicates that NOAA and NGA both use the same non-INT 1 symbol for that particular feature. When any of columns 4a, 4b, or 5 are blank, then the INT 1 symbol has been adopted for use by the organization for which that column applies.

The schematic layout following this introduction shows a typical symbol table page. It provides details about the table headers and the types of information presented in each of the columns.

Sample Chart Layouts

Section A presents two schematics showing typical layouts of the major elements of NOAA and NGA charts.

INFORMATION ON SELECTED CHART FEATURES

Soundings

The sounding datum reference is stated in the chart title. Soundings on NOAA and NGA charts may be shown in fathoms, feet, fathoms and feet, fathoms and fractions, or meters and decimeters. In all cases the unit of depth used is shown in the chart title and outside the border of the chart in bold type (see item b in Section A). For ECDIS, the sounding datum is part of the ENC metadata, which can be retrieved through a cursor inquiry.

Heights

Heights of lights, landmarks, structures, etc. refer to the shoreline plane of reference. The unit of height is shown in the chart title. When the elevations of islets or bare rocks are offset into the adjacent water, they are shown in parentheses. For ECDIS, the unit of height is meters.

Drying Heights

For rocks and banks that cover and uncover, elevations are underlined and are referenced to the sounding datum as stated in the chart title (or in the ENC metadata). When the heights of rocks that cover and uncover are offset into the adjacent water, they are shown in parentheses.

Shoreline

Shoreline shown on charts represents the line of contact between the land and a selected water elevation. In areas affected by tidal fluctuation, this line of contact is usually the mean high water line. In confined coastal waters of diminished tidal influence, a mean water level may be used. The shoreline of interior waters (rivers, lakes) is usually a line representing a specified elevation above a selected datum. Shoreline is symbolized by a heavy line (symbol C 1). Apparent shoreline is used on charts to show the outer edge of marine vegetation where the limit would be expected to appear as the shoreline to the mariner or where it prevents the shoreline from being clearly defined. Apparent shoreline is symbolized by a light line (symbols C 32, C 33, C p, C q and C r).

Landmarks

A structure or a conspicuous feature on a structure may be shown by a landmark symbol with a descriptive label (see Section E). Prominent buildings that could assist the mariner may be shown by actual shape as viewed from above (see Sections D and E).

On NGA charts, landmark legends shown in capital letters indicate that a landmark is conspicuous; the landmark may also be labeled "CONSPICUOUS" or "CONSPIC." On NOAA charts, all landmarks are considered to be conspicuous, and landmark legends shown in all capital letters indicate a landmark has been positioned accurately; legends using both upper and lower case letters indicate an approximate position.

ECDIS portrays conspicuous features with black symbols and non-conspicuous features with brown symbols. Only the conspicuous version is shown in the lettered sections of U.S. Chart No. 1. See the ECDIS "Conspicuous and Non-Conspicuous Features" page in front of Section E for more information.

IALA Buoyage System

The International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities (IALA) Maritime Buoyage System is followed by most of the world's maritime nations; however, systems used in some foreign waters may be different. IALA buoyage is divided into two regions: Region A and Region B. All navigable waters of the United States follow IALA Region B rules, except U.S. possessions west of the International Date Line and south of 10° north latitude, which follow IALA Region A rules.

The major difference between the two buoyage regions is the color of the lateral marks. Region A uses red to port and Region B uses red to starboard (red-right-returning). The shapes of the lateral marks are the same in both regions, can to port and cone (nun) to starboard, when entering from seaward. Cardinal and other marks, such as those for isolated dangers, safe water and special marks are also the same in both regions. Section Q and Appendix 1 illustrate the IALA buoyage system for both Regions A and B.

U.S. Lateral Marks

Most of U.S. waters are in IALA Region B. In the U.S. system, on entering a channel from seaward, buoys and beacon dayboards on the starboard side are red with even numbers and have red lights, if lit. Buoys and beacon dayboards on the port side are green with odd numbers and have green lights, if lit. Preferred channel buoys have red and green horizontal bands with the top band color indicating the preferred side of passage.

Light Range (Visibility)

A light's range or visibility is given in nautical miles, except on the Great Lakes and adjacent waterways, where light ranges are given in statute miles. For lights having more than one color, NOAA charts give only the shortest range of all the colors. On NGA charts, multiple ranges may be shown using the following convention. For lights with two colors, the first number indicates the range of the first color and the second number indicates the range of the second color. For example, Fl WG 12/8M means the range of the white light is 12 nautical miles and the range of green light is 8 nautical miles. For lights with three colors, only the longest and shortest ranges are given and the middle range is indicated by a dash. For example, Fl WRG 12-8M means that the range of the white light is 12 nautical miles, the range of green light is 8 nautical miles and the range of the red light is between 8 to 12 nautical miles. The dash can appear in any of the three positions.

Aids to Navigation Positioning

The fixed and floating aids to navigation depicted on charts have varying degrees of reliability. Floating aids are moored to sinkers by varying lengths of chain and may shift due to sea conditions and other causes. Buoys may also be carried away, capsized or sunk. Lighted buoys may be extinguished and sound signals may not function, because of ice or other causes. Therefore, prudent mariners will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids, but will also use bearings from fixed objects and aids to navigation on shore.

Colors

Color conveys the nature and importance of features found on nautical charts. Chart elements significant to marine navigation, such as lights, compass roses and regulated areas, are emphasized with magenta. Lateral marks on NOAA charts are shown with a red or green fill. Shades of blue depict potential hazards to navigation, typically shallow water and submerged obstructions. Areas of deeper water believed to be clear of obstructions are shown as white. Land, and other features that are always dry, are depicted with buff on NOAA charts and gray on NGA charts. Foreshore and other intertidal features are portrayed with a green tint. Other colors may be used to provide additional information, such as protected areas, which are outlined in blue or green and mineral lease blocks, which are outlined in red.

Traffic Separation Schemes

Traffic separation schemes show recommended lanes to increase safety of navigation, particularly in areas of high density shipping. These schemes are described in the International Maritime Organization (IMO) publication, *Ships Routeing*. Traffic separation schemes are generally shown on nautical charts at scales of 1:600,000 and larger. When possible, traffic separation schemes are plotted to scale and shown as depicted in Section M.

Conversion Scales

Depth conversion scales are provided on all charts to enable the user to work in meters, fathoms or feet.

Correction Date

The date of each new chart edition is shown below the lower left border of the chart. The date of the latest NGA issued U.S. Notice to Mariners applied to the chart is

shown after the edition date. NOAA charts also show the date of the latest U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners applied to the chart.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Information on the use of nautical charts, aids to navigation, sounding datums and the practice of navigation in general is in *The American Practical Navigator* (Bowditch), available through the “Publications” link on the NGA Maritime Safety Information portal at msi.nga.mil/NGAPortal/MSI.portal.

Tide and current data over U.S. waters is available from the NOAA Center for Operational Oceanographic Products and Services at tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov.

Detailed information about specific lights, buoys, and beacons and general information about the U.S. Aids to Navigation System and the Uniform State Waterway Marking Systems is in the U.S. Coast Guard *Light List*, at navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=lightLists. Information about aids to navigation in foreign waters is in the NGA *List of Lights*, available through the “Publications” link on the NGA Maritime Safety Information portal at msi.nga.mil/NGAPortal/MSI.portal.

Other important information that cannot be shown conveniently on nautical charts can be found in the NOAA *U.S. Coast Pilot*®, at www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/staff/chartspubs.html and NGA *Sailing Directions*, available through the “Publications” link on the NGA Maritime Safety Information portal at msi.nga.mil/NGAPortal/MSI.portal.

U.S. Nautical Chart Catalogs and Indexes

NGA catalogs are available through the “Product Catalog” link on the NGA Maritime Safety Information portal at msi.nga.mil/NGAPortal/MSI.portal. NOAA catalogs are available at www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/mcd/ccatalogs.htm. A list of the dates of the latest editions of NOAA charts is at www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/mcd/dole.htm.

CORRECTIONS AND COMMENTS

Corrections to U.S. Chart No. 1 will appear in the weekly U.S. Notice to Mariners, available through the “Notice to Mariners” link on the NGA Maritime Safety Information portal at msi.nga.mil/NGAPortal/MSI.portal.

Users may send corrections or comments to USChart1@noaa.gov or by mail to:

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Schematic Layout of U.S. Chart No. 1:

A K Rocks, Wrecks, Obstructions B									
C	Rocks						D		
E	Plane of Reference for Heights → H		Plane of Reference for Depths → H						
	No.		INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
11	1	2	3	Rock which covers and uncovers, height above chart datum	4a	4b	5	6	7
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4a)	(4b)	(5)	(6)	(7)	

A	Section designation
B	Section
C	Sub-section
D	Reference to "Supplementary national symbols" at the end of each section
E	Cross-reference to terms in other sections
1	Column 1: Numbering system following the "Chart Specification of the IHO". A letter in this column indicates a supplementary national symbol or abbreviation for which there is no international equivalent.
2	Column 2: Representation that follows the "Chart Specifications of the IHO" (INT 1 symbol)
3	Column 3: Description of symbol, term, or abbreviation
4a*	Column 4a: Representation used on charts produced by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
4b*	Column 4b: Representation used on charts produced by the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA)
5	Column 5: Representation of symbols that may appear on NGA reproductions of foreign charts
6**	Column 6: Representation used to portray ENC data on ECDIS
7**	Column 7: Description of ECDIS symbols

* When columns 4a and 4b are combined then NOAA and NGA both use the same symbol. When either column 4a or 4b is blank then the respective agency uses the INT 1 symbol shown in column 2.

** When columns 6 and 7 have several rows for the same symbol number, then ECDIS portrays this feature differently depending on the ship's draft and other conditions as defined in ECDIS by the mariner (as is the case for K 11). When columns 6 and 7 combine rows to span across several symbol numbers then ECDIS portrays all of the grouped symbol numbers the same way (see C 5–C 7).

† Signifies that this representation is obsolete, but it may appear on older charts.

→ Signifies that a feature attribute value, such as a height, distance or name, may be obtained through an ECDIS cursor pick report. There are many attribute values that may be obtained in this manner, but the cursor pick icon is only used to note values that are specifically referred to in the description of symbols column and that ECDIS does not display next to the symbol. Height of trees in C 14 is an example.

Day, Dusk and Night Color Palettes

ECDIS allows the mariner to change the color palette that is used to display an ENC. Three different color tables have been designed to provide the maximum clarity and contrast between features on the display under three different lighting conditions on the bridge, namely Day, Dusk and Night.

Each symbol is rendered in a different color appropriate for the lighting condition that the color table is meant for. This design provides maximum contrast for the display on a sunny day, as well as preserving night vision on a dimly lit bridge in the evening. This allows the mariner to look back and forth between the chart on the ECDIS display and out to sea through the bridge window without the mariner's eyes needing to readjust to a difference in light intensity.

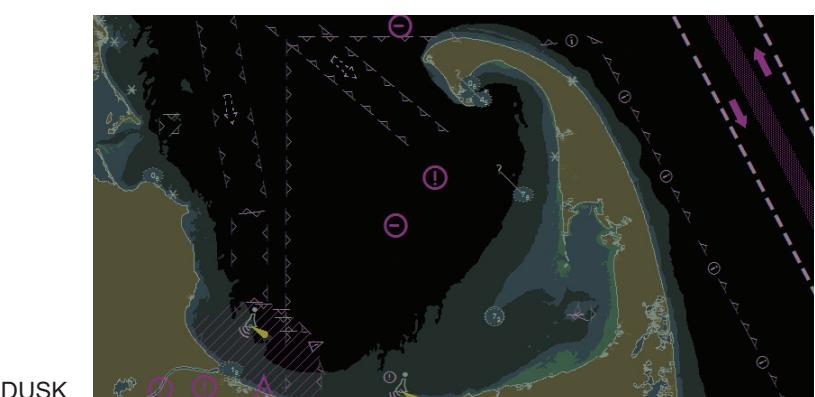
- The Day Color Table, meant to be used in bright sunlight, uses a white background for deep water and looks the most like a traditional paper chart.
- The Dusk Color Table uses a black background for deep water and colors are subdued, but slightly brighter than those used in the Night Color Table.
- The Night Color Table, meant to be used in the darkest conditions, uses a black background for deep water and muted color shades for other features.

The images on the right show each of the three color palettes.

The symbols shown in the remainder of this document use the day color palette.



DAY



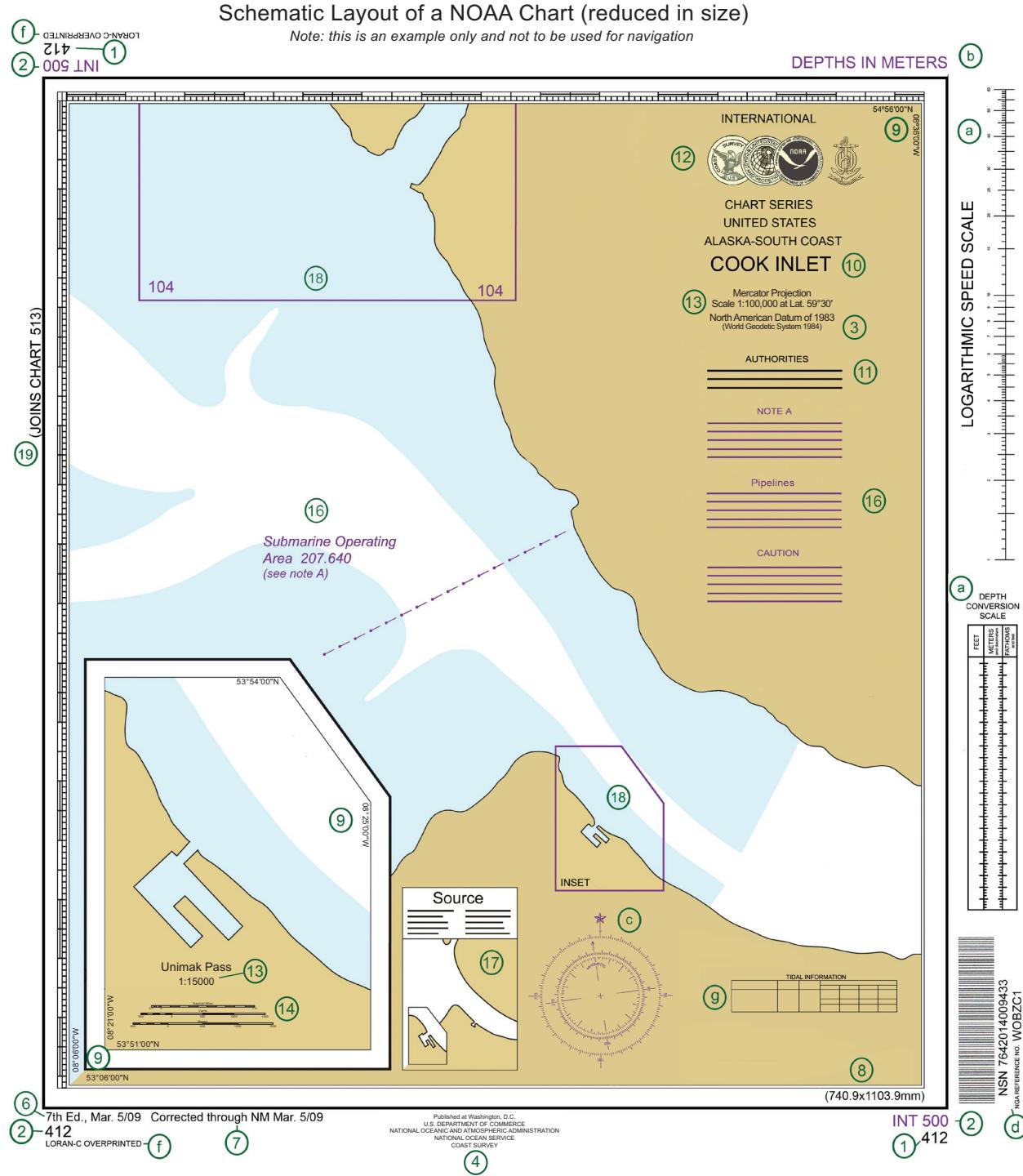
DUSK



NIGHT

Chart Number, Title, Marginal Notes

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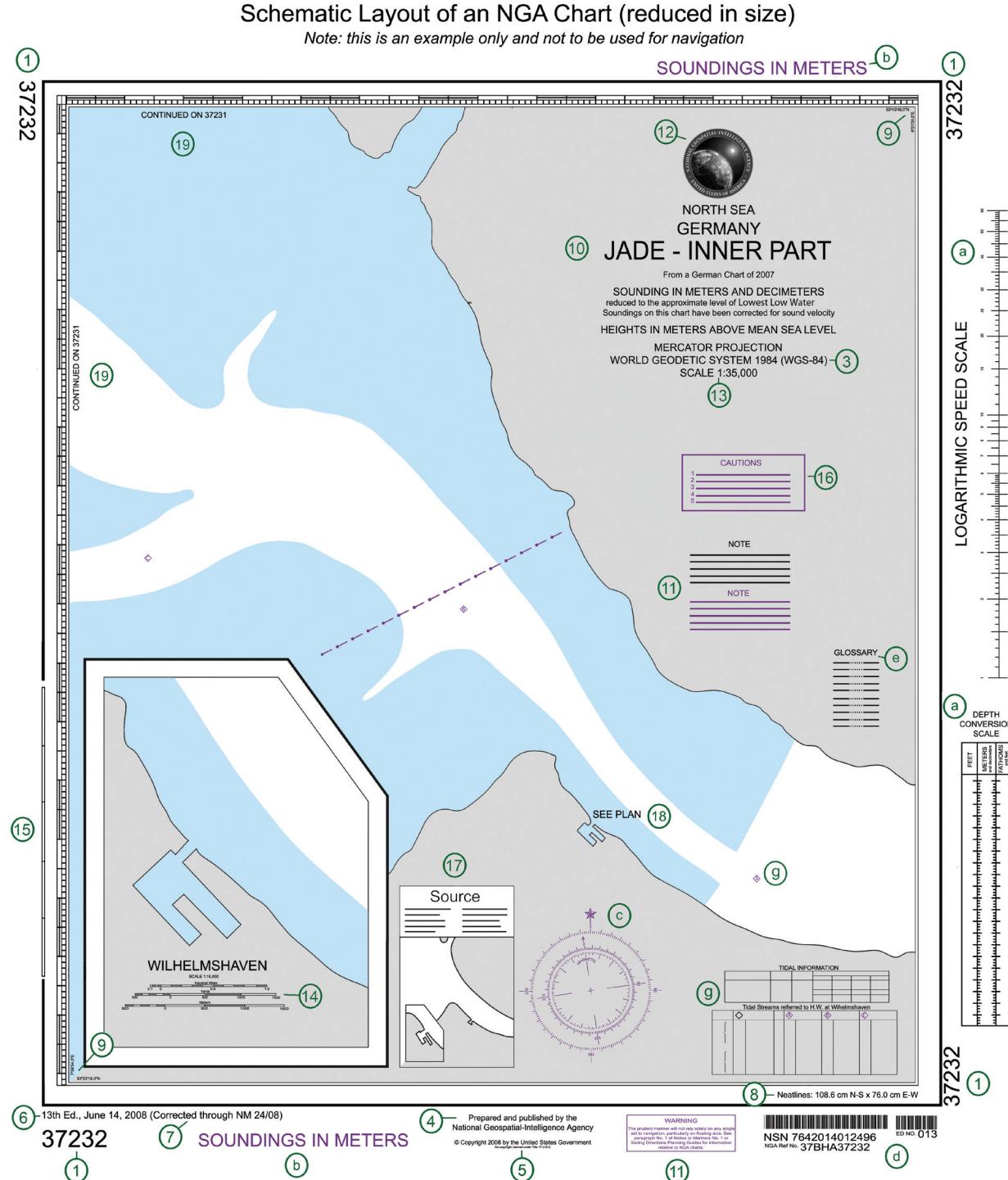
Magnetic Features → B	
Tidal Data → H	
1	Chart number in national chart series
2	Chart number in international (INT) series (if any)
3	Reference ellipsoid of the chart
4	Publication note (imprint)
5	Copyright note
6	Date of current edition
7	Notice to Mariners corrections
8	Dimensions of inner borders
9	Corner coordinates
10	Chart title
11	Explanatory notes on chart construction, etc. To be read before using chart.
12	Seal(s)
13	Scale of chart. Some charts have scale at a stated latitude.
14	Linear scale on large scale charts



A

Chart Number, Title, Marginal Notes

(15)	Linear border scale on large scale charts. On smaller scales use latitude borders for sea miles.
(16)	Cautionary notes (if any). Information on particular features, to be read before using chart.
(17)	Source Diagram (if any). Navigators should be cautious where surveys are inadequate.
(18)	Reference to a larger scale chart
(19)	Reference to an adjoining chart of similar scale
(a)	Conversion scales
(b)	Reference to the units used for depth measurement
(c)	Compass rose
(d)	Bar code and stock number
(e)	Glossary: Translation of words on chart that are not in English
(f)	Identification of a latticed chart (if any)
(g)	Tidal and Tidal Stream information within the chart coverage



B Positions, Distances, Directions, Compass

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Geographical Positions						
1	Lat	Latitude				
2	Long	Longitude				
3		International Meridian (Greenwich)				
4	°	Degree(s)				
5	'	Minute(s) of arc				
6	"	Second(s) of arc				
7	PA	Position approximate (not accurately determined or does not remain fixed)	PA	(PA)	PA ? 21	Position approximate Point feature or area of low accuracy Sounding of low accuracy
8	PD	Position doubtful (reported in various positions)	PD	(PD)	? 21	Point feature or area of low accuracy Sounding of low accuracy
9	N	North				
10	E	East				
11	S	South				
12	W	West				
13	NE	Northeast				
14	SE	Southeast				
15	NW	Northwest				
16	SW	Southwest				

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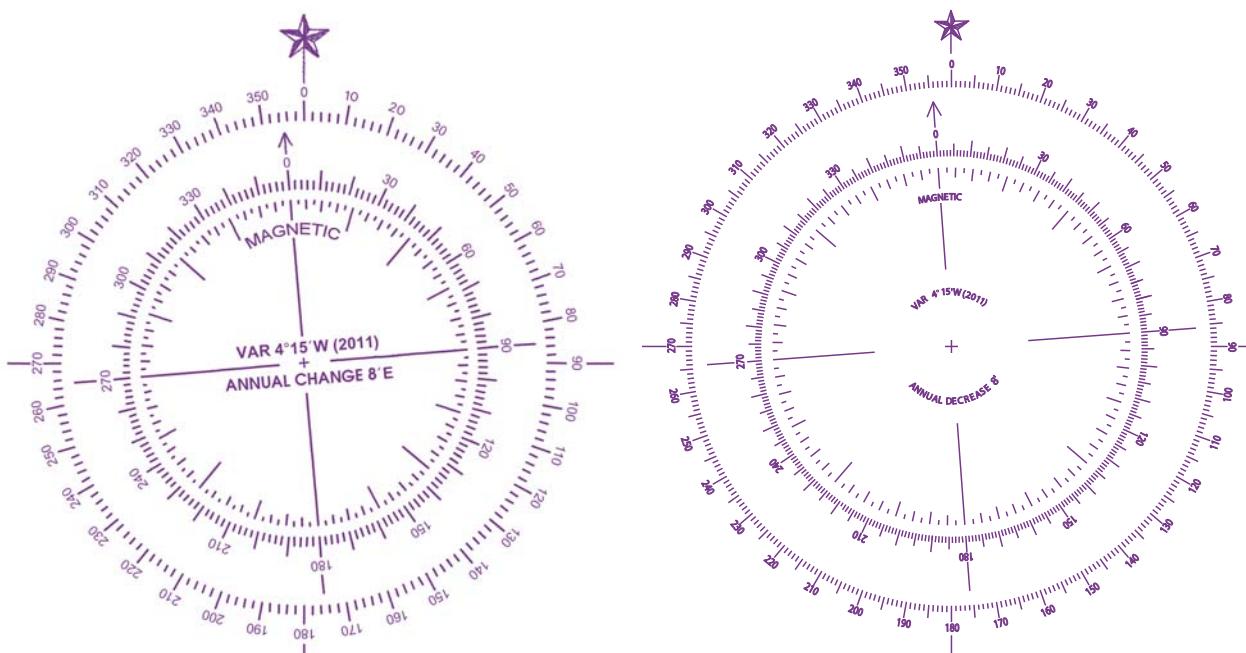
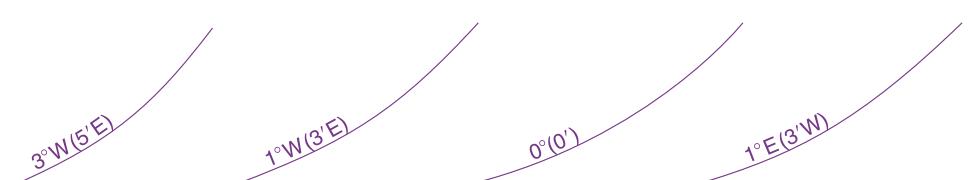
No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Control Points						
20	△	Triangulation point				
21	† ⊕	Observation spot	⊕ Obs Spot			
22	○ ○	Fixed point	○			
23	† ⊥	Benchmark	○ BM			
24		Boundary mark	◇ Bdy Mon			
25.1	o km 32	Distance along waterway, no visible marker	St M 32			km 7
25.2	o km 46	Distance along waterway with visible marker	□ Y Bn (46)			o km 7
Note: ECDIS uses a magenta "km" symbol to represent distance marks. However, the distances shown along waterways on NOAA-produced ENCs are displayed in statute miles.						
Symbolized Positions (Examples)						
30	■ # Ⓜ Wk	Symbols in plan: position is center of primary symbol				ECDIS follows the paper chart convention for the position of symbols, except for simplified symbols for buoys and beacons (see Q 1).
31	▲ ♫ ▪ ♪	Symbols in profile: position is at bottom of symbol				
32	○ Mast ○ MAST ☆	Point symbols: accurate positions	○ MAST		○	Position of a point feature
33	† o Mast PA	Point symbol: approximate position	○ Mast			ECDIS indicates approximate position only for wrecks, obstructions, islets and shoreline features.
Units						
40	km	Kilometer(s)				Supplementary national symbols: a–m
41	m	Meter(s)				
42	dm	Decimeter(s)				
43	cm	Centimeter(s)				
44	mm	Millimeter(s)				
45	M	International nautical mile(s) (1852m), sea mile(s)	Mi NMi NM			
46		Cable(s) (0.1M)	cbl			

B Positions, Distances, Directions, Compass

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
47	ft	Foot/Feet				
48		Fathom(s)		fm		
49	h	Hour(s)		hr		
50	m min	Minute(s) of time				
51	s sec	Second(s) of time				
52	kn	Knot(s)				
53	t	Ton(s), Tonnage (weight)				
54	cd	Candela(s)				
Magnetic Compass						Supplementary national symbols: n
60		Variation	var VAR		Varn	Magnetic variation
61		Magnetic	mag			
62		Bearing	brg			
63		True	T			
64		Decreasing				
65		Increasing				
66		Annual change				
67		Deviation	dev			
68.1	Magnetic Variation 4°30'W 2011 (8'E)	Note of magnetic variation, in position				Cursor pick site for magnetic variation at a point
68.2	Magnetic Variation at 55°N 8°W 4°30'W 2011 (8'E)	Note of magnetic variation, out of position				Cursor pick site for magnetic variation over an area

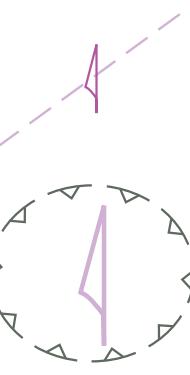
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No.	NOAA / NGA	ECDIS
70	<p>Compass rose, normal pattern (smaller patterns of compass rose may be used)</p> <p>Magnetic variation (example): VAR 4°15'W (2011) means magnetic variation was 4°15'W in 2011 ANNUAL DECREASE 8' means annual change is 8'E or decreasing 8' annually For 2012 the magnetic variation is 4°7'W</p> 	 <p>Cursor pick site for magnetic variation at a point</p>
71	<p>Isogonic lines, Isogonals</p> <p>MAGNETIC VARIATION LINES ARE FOR 2011 The magnetic variation is shown in degrees, followed by the letter W or E, as appropriate, at certain positions on the lines. The annual change is expressed in minutes with the letter W or E and is given in brackets, immediately following the variation.</p> 	 <p>Cursor pick site for magnetic variation along a line</p>

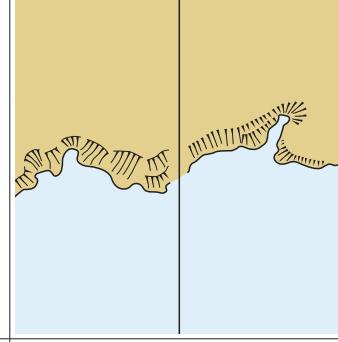
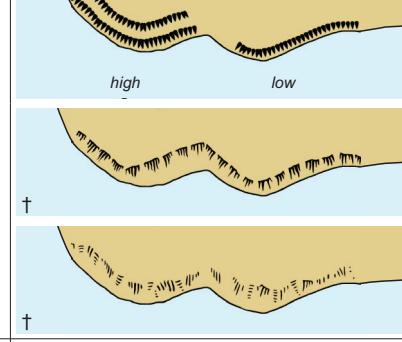
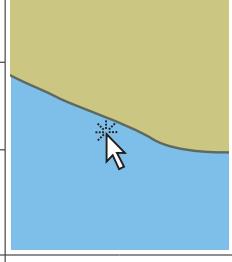
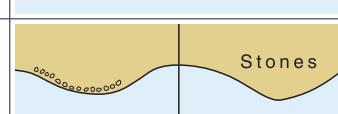
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No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
82.1		Local magnetic anomaly: Within the enclosed area the magnetic variation may deviate from the normal by the value shown					Cursor pick site for magnetic anomaly along a line or over an area
82.2	Local Magnetic Anomaly (see Note)	Local magnetic anomaly: Where the area affected cannot be easily defined, a legend only is shown at the position	LOCAL MAGNETIC DISTURBANCE (see note)	LOCAL MAGNETIC ANOMALY (see note)	LOCAL MAGNETIC DISTURBANCE (see note)		Cursor pick site for magnetic anomaly at a point
Supplementary National Symbols							
a		Square meter(s)	m ²				
b		Cubic meter(s)	m ³				
c		Inch(es)	in				
d		Yard(s)	yd				
e		Statute mile(s)	St M St Mi				
f		Microsecond(s)	μsec μs				
g		Hertz	Hz				
h		Kilohertz	kHz				
i		Megahertz	MHz				
j		Cycles/second	cps c/s				
k		Kilocycle(s)	kc				
l		Megacycle(s)	Mc				
m		Ton(s) (U.S. short ton) (2,000lbs)	T				
n		Degree(s)	deg				

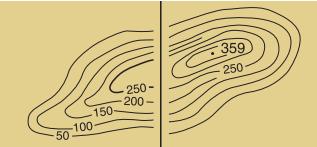
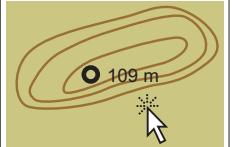
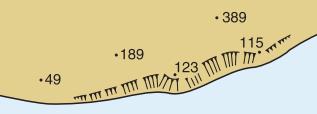
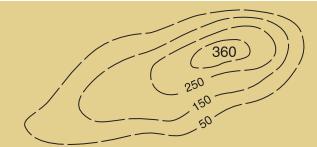
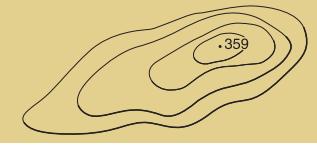
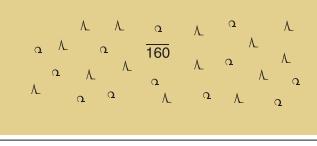
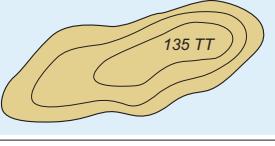
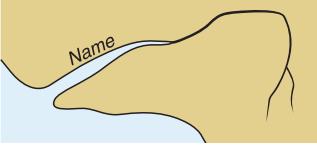
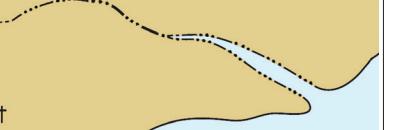
Natural Features

C

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Coastline						Supplementary national symbols: a–e
Foreshore → I, J						
1		Coastline, surveyed				Coastline
2		Coastline, unsurveyed				Coastline or shoreline construction of low accuracy in position
3		Cliffs, Steep coast			  	Presence of cliffs coincident with coastline is obtained by cursor pick Sloping ground crest line distant from coastline, radar or visually conspicuous Cliff as an area
4		Hillocks				Conspicuous hill or mountain top
5		Flat coast				
6		Sandy shore				
7		Stony shore, Shingly shore				
8		Dunes				Conspicuous hill or mountain top

C

Natural Features

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Relief						Supplementary national symbols: e–g
Plane of reference for heights → H						
10		Contour lines with values and spot height				Elevation contour with spot height, contour value is obtained by cursor pick
11		Spot heights				Position of an elevation or control point
12		Approximate contour lines with values and approximate height				Elevation contour with spot height, contour value is obtained by cursor pick
13		Form lines with spot height				Elevation contour with spot height, contour value is obtained by cursor pick
14		Approximate height of top of trees (above height datum)				Approximate height of trees is obtained by cursor pick
Water Features, Lava						
20		River, Stream				
21		Intermittent river				River

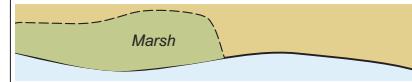
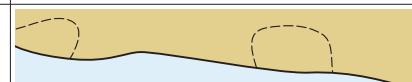
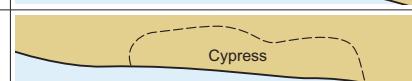
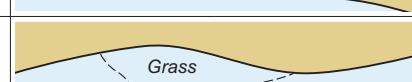
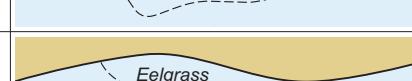
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No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
22		Rapids, Waterfalls				 Rapids Waterfall Waterfall, visually conspicuous
23		Lakes				 Lake
24		Salt pans				
25		Glacier				 Continuous pattern for an ice area (glacier, etc.)
26		Lava flow				
Vegetation						
30		W o o d e d	Woods in general			 Line of trees Wooded area

C

Natural Features

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
31	Prominent trees (isolated or in groups)					
31.1		Deciduous tree				Tree
31.2		Evergreen (except conifer)				Vegetation, line of trees
31.3		Conifer				
31.4		Palm				
31.5		Nipa Palm				
31.6		Casuarina				
31.7		Filao				
31.8		Eucalypt				
32		Mangrove	(used in small areas)			Mangrove with coastline or shoreline construction of low accuracy in position
33		Marsh, Swamp, Reed beds	(used in small areas)			Marsh with coastline or shoreline construction of low accuracy in position
Supplementary National Symbols						
a		Chart sounding datum line (surveyed)	Uncovers			
b		Approximate sounding datum line (inadequately surveyed)				
c		Foreshore; Strand (in general); Stones; Shingle; Gravel; Mud; Sand	Mud			
d		Breakers along a shore	Breakers (if extensive)			

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
e		Rubble				
f		Hachures				
g		Shading				
i		Deciduous woodland				
j		Coniferous woodland				
k		Tree plantation				
l		Cultivated fields				
m		Grassfields				
n		Paddy (rice) fields				
o		Bushes				
p		Apparent shoreline				
q		Vegetation or topographic (Feature Area Limit-in general)				
r		Cypress				
s		Grass				
t		Eelgrass				

D Cultural Features

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Settlements, Buildings						
Height of objects → E Landmarks → E						
1		Urban area				
2		Settlement with scattered buildings				
3	○ Name □ Name	Settlement (on medium and small scale charts)				
4	✚ Name ■ Name HOTEL	Village				
5	■ ■ ■ ■	Buildings				
6		Important building in built-up area				
7		Street name, Road name				
8		Ruin, Ruined landmark				
Roads, Railways, Airfields						
Supplementary National Symbols: a–c						
10		Motorway, highway				
11		Road (hard surfaced)				
12		Track, Path (loose or unsurfaced)				

Cultural Features

D

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
13		Railway, with station				Railway, with station
14		Cutting				Cutting
15		Embankment				Embankment
15		Embankment				Embankment, visually or radar conspicuous
16		Tunnel				Tunnel
16		Tunnel				Tunnel with depth below the seabed encoded
17		Airport, Airfield				Airport as a point
17						Runway as a line
17						Airport area, with runway area and visually conspicuous runway area

Other Cultural Features

Supplementary National Symbols: d-i

20		Vertical clearance above high water				clr 20.0 clr cl 20.0 clr op 20.0 sf clr 20.0	Vertical clearance Closed clearance Open clearance Safe clearance
21		Horizontal clearance					Horizontal clearance is obtained by cursor pick
22		Fixed bridge with vertical clearance					Bridge

D

Cultural Features

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
23.1		Opening bridge (in general) with vertical clearance				 Opening bridge
23.2		Swing bridge with vertical clearance				
23.3		Lifting bridge with vertical clearance (closed and open)				
23.4		Bascule bridge with vertical clearance				
23.5		Pontoon bridge			 Bridge	
23.6		Draw bridge with vertical clearance				 Opening bridge
24		Transporter bridge with vertical clearance below fixed structure				 Bridge
25		Overhead transporter, Aerial cableway with vertical clearance				 Aerial cableway Aerial cableway, radar conspicuous
26		Overhead power cable with pylons and safe vertical clearance				 Transmission line Transmission line, radar conspicuous

Note: The safe vertical clearance above the height datum, as defined by the responsible authority, is given in magenta where known; otherwise the physical vertical clearance is shown in black as in D 20 (also see diagram at H 20).

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
27		Overhead cable, Telephone line, Telegraph line with vertical clearance					Overhead cable
28		Overhead pipe with vertical clearance					Overhead pipeline
29		Pipeline on land					Oil, gas pipeline, submerged or on land

Supplementary National Symbols

a	Highway markers			
b	Railway (Ry) (single or double track) Railroad (RR)			
c	Abandoned railroad			
d	Bridge under construction			
e	Footbridge			
f	Viaduct			
g	Fence			
h	Power transmission line			
i	Approximate vertical clearance			



Conspicuous and Non-Conspicuous Features

There are 25 features for which ECDIS displays either a black symbol, if the feature is visually conspicuous, or a brown symbol if it is not. Only conspicuous landmarks are depicted on NOAA paper charts and ENCs. Therefore, only the conspicuous symbol versions are shown in the symbol tables of U.S. Chart No. 1. Both versions of the symbols for these features are shown on this page.

Cairn		
Chimney		
Dish aerial		
Dome		
Flare stack		
Fortified structure		
Hill or mountain top		
Mast		
Monument		
Mosque or minaret		
Position of a point feature		
Radar scanner		
Radio, television tower		
Refinery		
Religious building, Christian		
Religious building, non-Christian		

Silo		
Single building		
Tank		
Tank farm		
Tower		
Water tower		
Windmill		
Windmotor		
Wind generator farm		

The seven symbols shown below represent features that only have a brown symbol. There is no corresponding black, conspicuous symbol. The brown symbol is displayed regardless of the conspicuousness of the feature.

Cranes	
Flagstaff, flagpole	
Mangrove	
Mine, quarry	
Quarry	
Timber yard	
Tree	

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Plane of Reference for Height → H		Lighthouses → P Beacons → Q				
General						
1	◆ Factory ☒ Hotel	Examples of landmarks	⊕ TANK ○ Tr ⊕ MONUMENT		  	Non-conspicuous point feature Non-conspicuous building Non-conspicuous water tower
2	◆ FACTORY ☒ WATER TR ○ HOTEL ☒ WATER TOWER	Examples of conspicuous landmarks (On NOAA charts, a large circle with dot and capitals indicates that position is accurate; a small circle with lowercase indicates that position is approximate.)	⊕ EMPIRE STATE BUILDING ○ SPIRE ○ RADAR MAST ○ CHIMNEY		  	Conspicuous point feature Conspicuous building Conspicuous water tower
3.1		Pictorial sketches (in true position)				The information symbol is displayed if a supplemental image is available, which may be accessed by cursor pick
3.2		Pictorial sketches (out of position)				
4	☒ (30)	Height of top of a structure above height datum		(30)		 Height is obtained by cursor pick
5	☒ (30)	Height of structure above ground level		(30)		
Landmarks						
10.1		Ch	Church	⊕ Ch	 	Church as a point Church as an area
10.2		⊕ Tr	Church tower			
10.3		⊕ Sp	Church spire	⊕ SPIRE ○ Spire		
10.4		⊕ Cup	Church cupola	⊕ CUPOLA ○ Cup		
11		Chapel		⊕ Ch		Chapel

E Landmarks

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
12		Cross, Calvary		⊕	+ ⊕	⊕	Position of a point feature
13	☒	Temple			⊕	☒	Religious building, non-Christian
14	☒	Pagoda					
15	☒	Shinto shrine, Joss house			⊕		
16	☒ ⊕	Buddhist temple or shrine					
17	⊗	Mosque, Minaret		⊗	⊗	⊗	Mosque or minaret
18	○	Marabout		□ ○			
19	[L L L L L L L L]	Cemetery	□ Cem	□ ⊕⊕⊕	□ ⊕⊕⊕	□ ⊕	Landmark area, type is obtained by cursor pick
20	⠇ | Tr	Tower	○ TOWER ○ Tr	Tr ○		⠇	Tower
21	⊟	Water tower, Water tank on a tower	○ STANDPIPE ○ S'pipe	○ WTR TR ○ Wtr Tr		⠇	Water tower
22	⚡ Chy ⚡	Chimney	○ CHIMNEY ○ Chy	○ CHY (208) (202) ⚡	○ ⚡	⠇	Chimney
23	♂	Flare stack (on land)	○ FLARE	○ Flare		⠇	Flare stack
24	⠇ | Mon	Monument (including column, pillar, obelisk, statue)	○ MONUMENT	○ Mon	⠇ ⊕	⠇	Monument
25.1	×	Windmill	○ WINDMILL	○ Windmill	✖ ⚡	✖ ⚡	Windmill, status of ruins is obtained by cursor pick
25.2	✖ Ru	Windmill (without sails)					
26.1	⠇ | † ⚡	Wind turbine, Windmotor	○ WINDMOTOR	○ Windmotor		⠇	Wind motor
26.2	[✖] | ⚡	Wind farm	○ WIND FARM	○ Wind Farm		[- - -] [✖]	Wind generator farm
27	⚑ FS	Flagstaff, Flagpole	○ FS ○ FP	○ FS ○ FP		⚑	Flagstaff, flagpole

Landmarks

E

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
28		Radio mast, Television mast	 	 			Mast
29		Radio tower, Television tower	 	 			Radio, television tower
30.1		Radar mast					Mast
30.2		Radar tower					Radar tower
30.3		Radar scanner					Radar scanner
30.4		Radome	 	 			Dome
31		Dish aerial	 				Dish aerial
32		Tanks					Tank
							Tank farm
33		Silo	 	 			Silo
34.1		Fortified structure (on large scale charts)					Fortified structure
34.2		Castle, Fort, Blockhouse (on small scale charts)					Fortified structure
34.3		Battery, Small fort (on small scale charts)					Fortified structure
35.1		Quarry (on large scale charts)					Quarry area
35.2		Quarry (on small scale charts)					Quarry
36		Mine					

E Landmarks

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
37.1		Recreational vehicle site				
37.2		Camping site (including recreational vehicles)				
Supplementary National Symbols						
a		Muslim shrine				
b		Tomb				
c		Watermill				
d		Factory			Facty	
e		Well			Well	
f		School			Sch	
g		Hospital			Hosp	
h		University			Univ	
i		Gable			GAB	Gab
k		Telegraph Telegraph office		Tel	Tel Off	
l		Magazine		Magz		
m		Government house		Govt Ho		
n		Institute		Inst		
o		Courthouse		Ct Ho		
p		Pavilion		Pav		
q		Telephone		T		
r		Limited		Ltd		
s		Apartment		Apt		
t		Capitol		Cap		
u		Company		Co		
v		Corporation		Corp		

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Protective Structures						
1		Dike, Levee, Berm				Supplementary national symbols: a-c Dike as a line Dike as a line, conspicuous Dike as an area
2.1		Seawall (on large scale charts)				Seawall
2.2		Seawall (on small scale charts)				
3		Causeway				Causeway as a line Causeway, covers and uncovers as a line Causeway as an area Causeway, covers and uncovers as an area
4.1		Breakwater (in general)				Breakwater as a line
4.2		Breakwater (loose boulders, tetrapods, etc.)				Breakwater as an area
4.3		Breakwater (slope of concrete or masonry)				
5		Training wall (partly submerged at high water)				Training wall

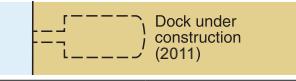
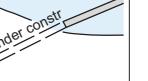
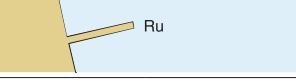
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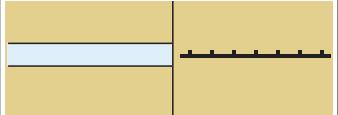
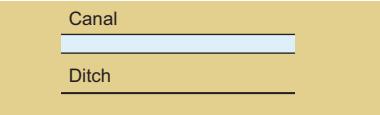
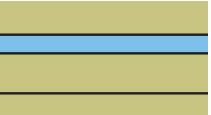
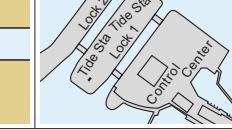
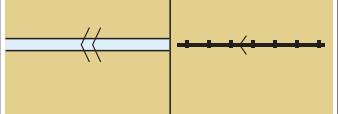
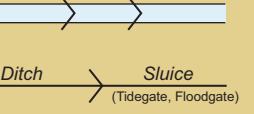
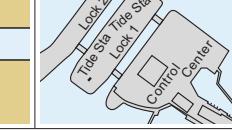
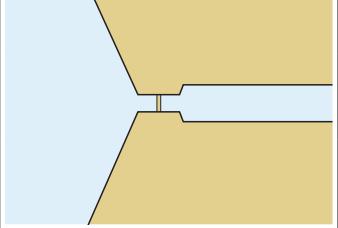
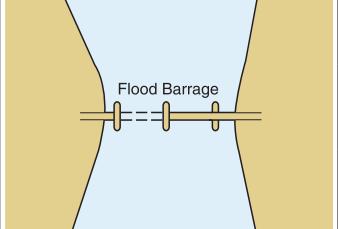
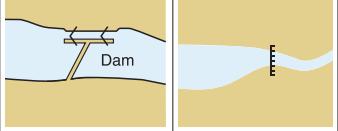
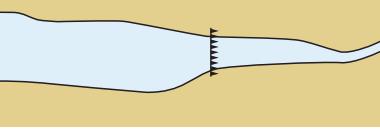
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6.1	A yellow polygon representing land meets a blue polygon representing water. A vertical yellow line extends from the land into the water, labeled 'Groin' at the water level. A dashed line extends from the top of the groyne into the water.	Groin (always dry)		Groin		A yellow polygon meets a blue polygon. A vertical yellow line extends from the land into the water, labeled 'Groin' at the water level.
6.2	A yellow polygon meets a blue polygon. A vertical yellow line extends from the land into the water, labeled 'Groin' at the water level. The water area is partially shaded grey to indicate tidal range.	Groin (intertidal)		Groin		A yellow polygon meets a blue polygon. A vertical yellow line extends from the land into the water, labeled 'Groin' at the water level. The water area is partially shaded grey.
6.3	A yellow polygon meets a blue polygon. A vertical yellow line extends from the land into the water, labeled 'Groin' at the water level. The water area is fully shaded grey to indicate it is always under water.	Groin (always under water)		Groin		A yellow polygon meets a blue polygon. A vertical yellow line extends from the land into the water, labeled 'Groin' at the water level. The water area is fully shaded grey.
Harbor Installations						
Depths → I		Anchorages, Limits → N	Beacons and other fixed marks → Q		Marina → U	
10		Fishing harbor				Fishing harbor
11.1		Boat harbor, Marina				Yacht harbor, marina
11.2		Yacht berths without facilities				
11.3		Yacht club, Sailing club				
12		Mole (with berthing facility)				Mole as a line Mole as an area
13		Quay, Wharf				Wharf (quay)
14		Pier, Jetty				Pier (jetty), promenade pier
15		Promenade pier				
16		Pontoon				Pontoon as a line Pontoon as an area
17		Landing for boats				Landing

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
18		Steps, Landing stairs				Landing steps	
19.1		Designation of berth	3	A	3		Berth number
19.2		Visitors' berth					Yacht harbor, marina
20		Dolphin					Mooring dolphin
21		Deviation dolphin					Deviation mooring dolphin
22		Minor post or pile					Pile or bollard
23		Slipway, Patent slip, Ramp					Slipway, ramp
24		Gridiron, Scrubbing grid					Gridiron
25		Dry dock, Graving dock					Dry dock
26		Floating dock					Floating dock as a line
							Floating dock as an area
27		Non-tidal basin, Wet dock					Wet dock and gate
28		Tidal basin, Tidal harbor					Dock
							Dock, under construction or ruined

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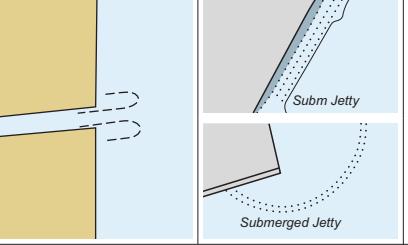
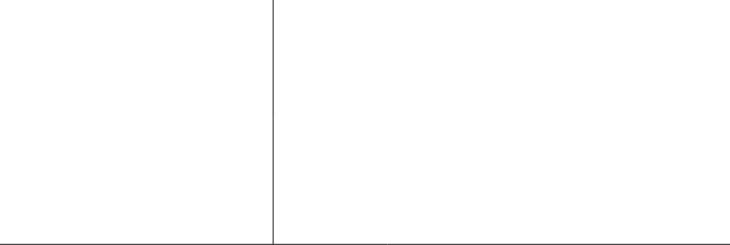
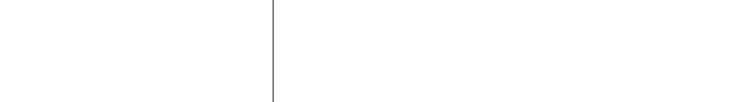
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No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
29.1		Floating barrier, e.g. oil barrier, security barrier				  	Floating hazard Boom Floating oil barrier, oil retention (high pressure pipe) Boom, floating obstruction
29.2		Oil retention barrier (high pressure pipe)					Floating oil barrier, oil retention (high pressure pipe)
30		Works on land, with year date					Ruin or works under construction
31		Works at sea, Area under reclamation, with year date					Year and condition of under construction or ruin is obtained by cursor pick
32	Under construction (2011) Works in progress (2011)	Works under construction, with year date					
33.1		Ruin					
33.2		Ruined pier, partly submerged at high water					Pier, ruined and partly submerged
34		Hulk	 				Hulk

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Canals, Barrages						Supplementary national symbol: d
Clearances → D Signal Stations → T Cultural Features → B						
40		Canal				Canal
41.1		Lock (on large scale charts)			 	Lock gate as a line Lock gate as an area
41.2		Lock (on small scale charts)				Navigable lock gate
42		Caisson, Gate			  	Non-navigable lock gate Caisson as a line Caisson as an area
43		Flood barrage			  	Non-navigable lock gate Flood barrage as a line Flood barrage as an area
44		Dam, Weir (direction of flow shown is left to right)			 	Dam as a line Dam as an area

F Ports

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Transhipment Facilities						Supplementary national symbols: e–f
Roads → D Railways → D Tanks → E						
50		Roll-on, Roll-off (RoRo), Ferry Terminal				RoRo terminal
51		Transit shed, Warehouse (with designation)				Conspicuous single building, designation is obtained by cursor pick
52		Timber yard				Timber yard as a point Timber yard as an area
53.1		Crane with lifting capacity, Traveling crane (on railway)				Lifting capacity is obtained by cursor pick Crane as a point
53.2		Container crane (with lifting capacity)				Crane as an area
53.3		Sheerlegs (conspicuous)				Crane, visually conspicuous as an area
Public Buildings						Supplementary national symbol: g
60		Harbormaster's office				Conspicuous single building
61		Custom office				Conspicuous single building
62.1		Health office, Quarantine building				Customs
62.2		Hospital				
63		Post office				

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Supplementary National Symbols						
a		Jetty (partly below MHW)				
b		Submerged jetty				
c		Jetty (on small scale charts)				
d		Pump-out facilities				
e		Quarantine office				
f		Mooring Canal				
g		Conveyor				

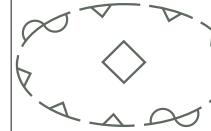
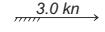
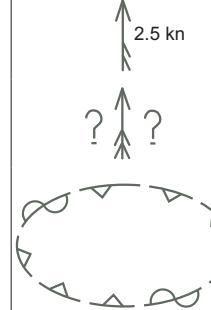
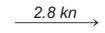
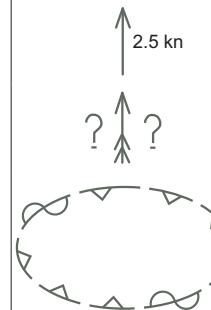
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No.	Term	Description	No.	Term	Description
1	CD	Chart Datum, Datum for sounding reduction	a	HW	High Water
2	LAT	Lowest Astronomical Tide	b	HHW	Higher High Water
3	HAT	Highest Astronomical Tide	c	LW	Low Water
4	MLW	Mean Low Water	d	LWD	Low Water Datum
5	MHW	Mean High Water	e	LLW	Lower Low Water
6	MSL	Mean Sea Level	f	MTL	Mean Tide Level
7		Height datum, Land survey datum	g	ISLW	Indian Spring Low Water
8	MLWS	Mean Low Water Springs	h	HWF&C	High Water Full and Change (Vulgar establishment of the port)
9	MHWS	Mean High Water Springs	i	LWF&C	Low Water Full and Change
10	MLWN	Mean Low Water Neaps	j	CRD	Columbia River Datum
11	MHWN	Mean High Water Neaps	k	GCLWD	Gulf Coast Low Water Datum
12	MLLW	Mean Lower Low Water			
13	MHHW	Mean Higher High Water			
14	MHLW	Mean Higher Low Water			
15	MLHW	Mean Lower High Water			
16	Sp	Spring tide			
17	Np	Neap tide			

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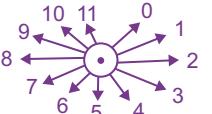
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42	➡➡➡➡➡	Current in restricted waters			(see Note)	2.5 kn	Non-tidal current
43	2.5 – 4.5 kn Jan – Mar (see Note)	Ocean current with rates and seasons		~~~~~			
44	~~~~~	Overfalls, tide rips, races	Tide rips  symbol used only in small areas	≈≈	(see Note)	Overfalls, tide rips; eddies; breakers as point, line, and area	
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46	Ⓐ	Position of tabulated tidal stream data with designation				Diamond	Point for which a tidal stream table is available
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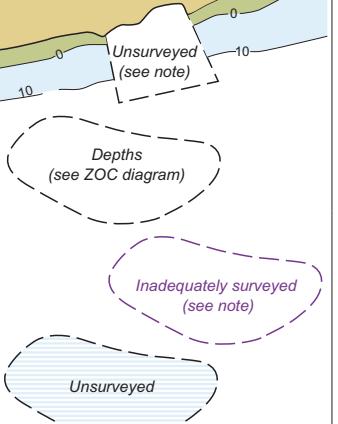
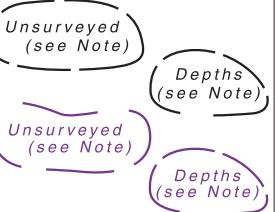
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u	Gulf Stream Limits	→ → → → → Approximate location of Axis of Gulf Stream		

Depths

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
General						
1	<i>ED</i>	Existence doubtful			(25)	Sounding of low accuracy
2	<i>SD</i>	Sounding of doubtful depth			(25) (212) X	Sounding of low accuracy Underwater hazard with depth greater than 20 meters Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour
3.1	<i>Rep</i>	Reported, but not confirmed			(25) ?	Sounding of low accuracy Point feature or area of low accuracy
3.2	<i>Rep (2011)</i>	Reported (with year of report), but not confirmed			----- -----	Low accuracy line demarking area wreck or obstruction Low accuracy line demarking foul area
4	(184) (212)	Reported, but not confirmed sounding or danger (on small scale charts only)			(blue) (25) (5) (212) X ?	Obstruction, depth not stated Sounding of low accuracy Underwater hazard with depth of 20 meters or less Underwater hazard with depth greater than 20 meters Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour Point feature or area of low accuracy

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Soundings						Supplementary national symbols: a–c
Plane of Reference for Depths → H Plane of Reference for Heights → H						
10	12 9 ₇	Sounding in true position (NOAA shows fathoms and feet with vertical numbers and meters with sloping numbers)	6½ 6¾		9 ₇ 30	Sounding shoaler than or equal to safety depth Sounding deeper than safety depth
11	.(4 ₈) +(12) 3375	Sounding out of position	(23) 3375			Depths are always shown in their true position in ECDIS
12	(4 ₇)	Least depth in narrow channel	(4 ₇)			
13	200	No bottom found at depth shown			200	Status of no bottom found is obtained by cursor pick
14	12 9 ₇	Soundings which are unreliable or taken from a smaller scale source (NOAA shows unreliable soundings in fathoms and feet with sloping numbers and in meters with vertical numbers)			12	Sounding of low accuracy
15	4 ₉ 3 ₈ 3 ₆	Drying heights and contours above chart datum	6		4	Drying height, less than or equal to safety depth
16	1 ₄ 2 ₅ 1 ₇ 2 ₇	Natural watercourse (in intertidal area), tidal gully, tideway				Tideway

Depths

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Depths in Fairways and Areas						Supplementary national symbols: a, b
Plane of Reference for Depths → H						
20	-----	Limit of dredged area	-----			
21	12.2 m 7.6 m	Dredged channel or area with depth of dredging in meters and decimeters				Dredged area
22	12m (2011) Dredged to 7.2m (2011)	Dredged channel or area with depth and year of the latest control survey	30 FEET APR 2011 30 FEET APR 2011			Depth, date of latest survey and other information is obtained by cursor pick
23	12.2 m Maintained Depth 7.2m	Dredged channel or area with maintained depth				
24	10 ₈ 10 ₂ 9 ₆ (2011) 11 9 ₈	Area swept by wire drag. The depth is shown at chart datum. (The latest date of sweeping is shown in parentheses.)	3 23 29 8 22 30 7 21	7 ₆ (1930)		Swept area
25		Unsurveyed or inadequately surveyed area; area with inadequate depth information	Unsurveyed 13 11 12 10 17 13 rky 20 22 20			Incompletely surveyed area Unsurveyed area

ECDIS Portrayal of Depths



ECDIS depth related symbols closely resemble their paper chart counterparts; however, ECDIS provides valuable additional information to mariners that paper charts cannot.

Soundings

ECDIS enables mariners to set their own-ship “safety depth.” If no depth is set, ECDIS sets the value to 30m. Soundings equal to or shoaler than the safety depth are shown in black; deeper soundings are displayed in a less conspicuous gray. Fractional values are shown with subscript numbers of the same size.

Depth Contours & Depth Areas

Depth contours in ECDIS are portrayed with a thin gray line. Each pair of adjacent depth contours is used to create depth area features. These are used by ECDIS to tint different depth levels and to initiate alarms when a ship is headed into unsafe water.

Depth Contour Labels



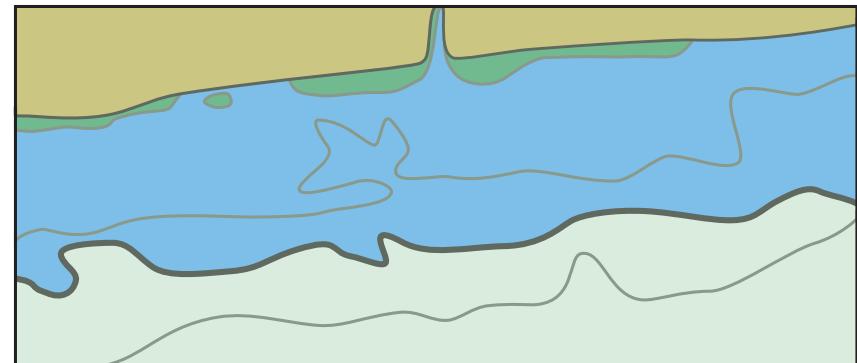
ECDIS depth contour labels are not centered and oriented along isolines as they appear on paper charts. They are displayed upright and may appear either on or next to the contour lines that they describe. The labels are black and the same size as soundings, but the labels have a light “halo” to set them apart. The graphic to the left shows depth labels and soundings both deeper and shoaler than the safety depth. Note that depths on NOAA paper charts and ENCs are usually compiled in fathoms and feet. Because ECDIS displays depths in meters, soundings and contour lines often show fractional meter values. The “own-ship safety contour” (described below) is always displayed, but mariners may choose to have all other depth contours turned off.

Safety Contour

ECDIS uses a “safety contour” value to show an extra thick line for the depth contour that separates “safe water” from shoaler areas. If the mariner does not set an own-ship safety contour value, ECDIS sets the value to 30m. If the ENC being displayed does not have a contour line equal to the safety contour depth value set by the mariner, then ECDIS sets the next deeper contour as the safety contour. Depending on the contour intervals used on individual ENCs, ECDIS may set different safety contours as a ship transits from one ENC to another. ECDIS will initiate an alarm if the ship’s future track will cross the safety contour within a specified time set by the mariner.

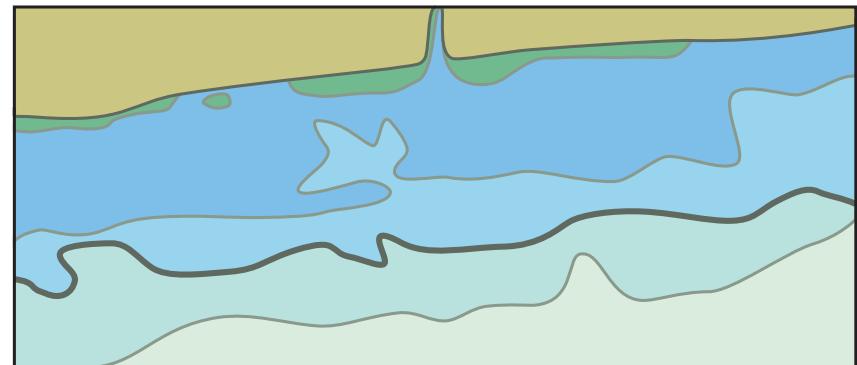
Two or Four Tints for Shading Depth Areas

ECDIS tints all depth areas beyond the (green tinted) foreshore in either one of two or one of four shades of blue. This is similar to the convention used for paper charts, but the depths used to change from one tint to another are based on the safety contour and thus “customized” for each ship. If the mariner chooses two shades to be displayed, water deeper than the safety contour is shown in an off-white color, water shoaler than the safety contour is tinted blue.

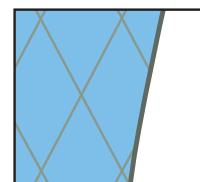


Portrayal of Depth Areas with 2 Color Settings

Some ECDIS enable mariners to define two additional depth areas for medium-deep water and medium-shallow water by setting a “deep contour” value and a “shallow contour” value. If this option is used, the safety contour is displayed between the medium deep and medium shallow contours.

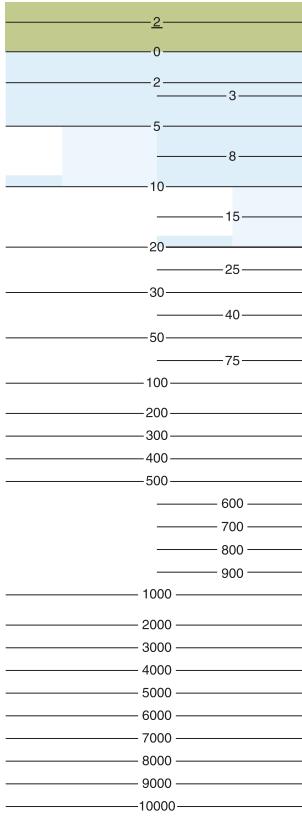
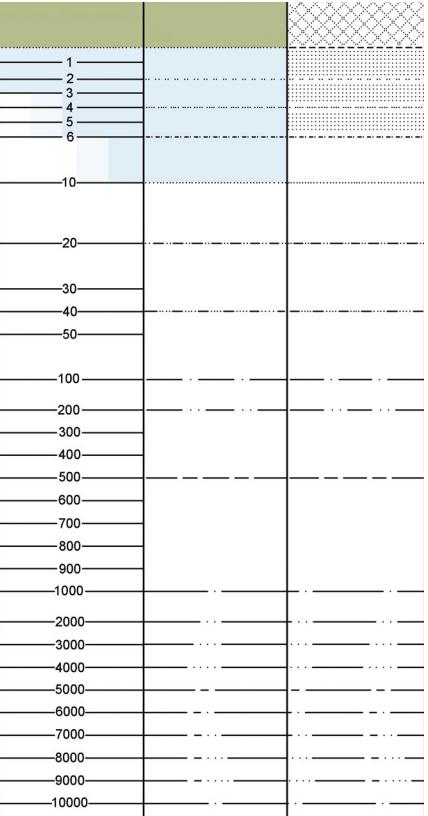
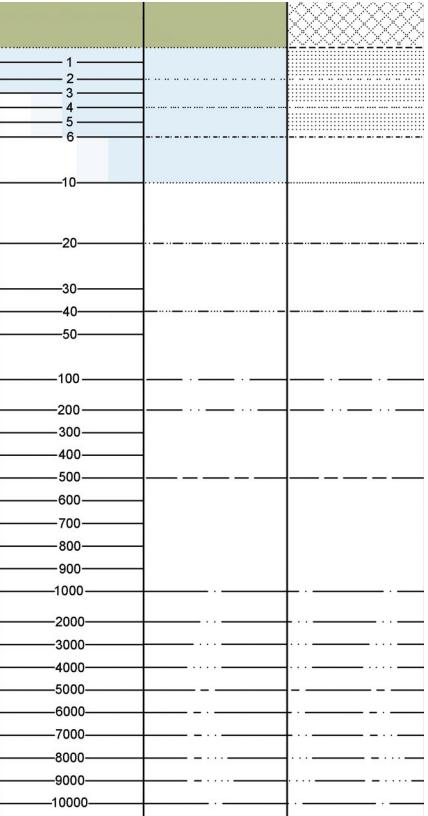
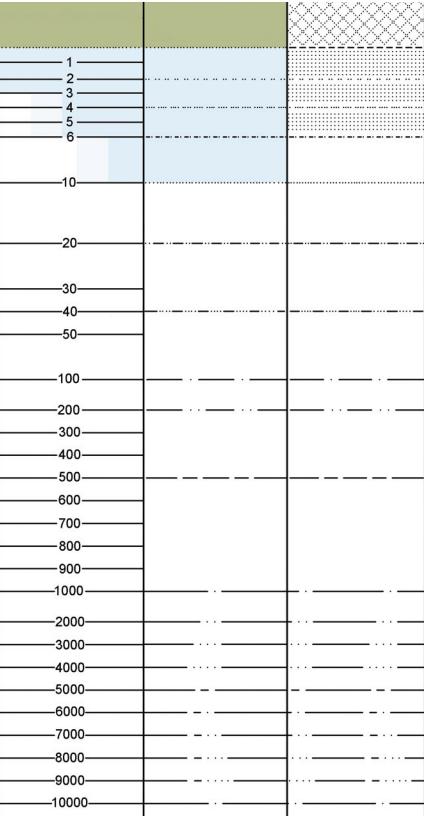
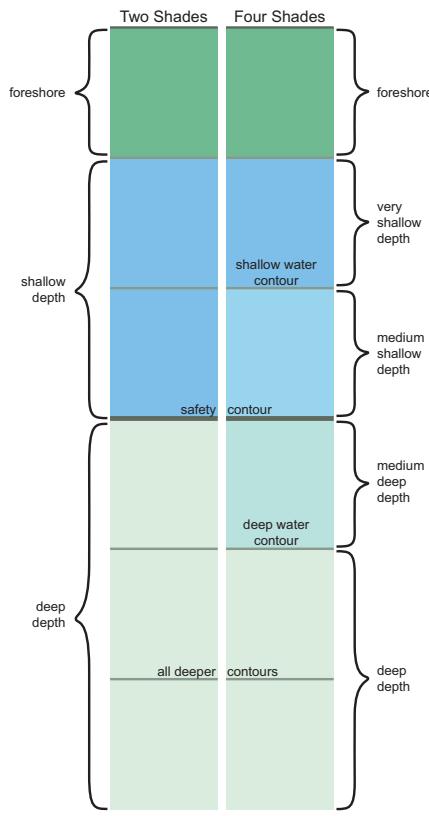
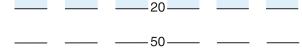
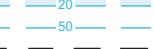
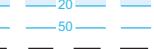
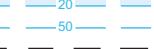
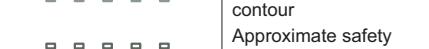
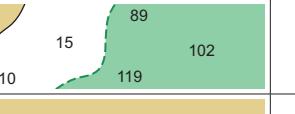


Portrayal of Depth Areas with 4 Color Setting



Some ECDIS also provide the mariner with the option of displaying a cross-hatch “shallow water” pattern over all depth areas shoaler than the safety contour.

Depths

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Depth Contours						
30	 <p>Drying contour Low water line Blue tint, in one or more shades, or tint ribbons are shown to different limits according to the scale and purpose of the chart and the nature of the bathymetry. On some charts, contours and values are printed in blue.</p>	<p>Drying contour Low water line Blue tint, in one or more shades, or tint ribbons are shown to different limits according to the scale and purpose of the chart and the nature of the bathymetry. On some charts, contours and values are printed in blue.</p>				
31	 <p>Approximate depth contours</p>	<p>Approximate depth contours</p>				 <p>Approximate depth contour Approximate safety depth contour</p>
Supplementary National Symbols						
a		Swept channel				
b		Swept area, not adequately sounded (shown by purple or green tint)				
c		Stream				

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
Types of Seabed							Supplementary national abbreviations: a–ag
Rocks → K							
1	S	Sand				S	Sand
2	M	Mud				M	Mud
3	Cy	Clay				Cy	Clay
4	Si	Silt				Si	Silt
5	St	Stones				St	Stones
6	G	Gravel				G	Gravel
7	P	Pebbles				P	Pebbles
8	Cb	Cobbles				Cb	Cobbles
9.1	R	Rock; Rocky	Rk; rky			R	Rock
9.2	Bo	Boulder(s)	Blds			R	Boulder
						R	Lava
10	Co	Coral, Coralline algae				Co	Coral
11	Sh	Shells (skeletal remains)				Sh	Shells
12.1	S/M	Two layers, e.g. sand over mud					
12.2	fS M Sh fS.M.Sh	The main constituent is given first for mixtures, e.g. fine sand with mud and shells	f S M Sh				
13.1	Wd	Weed (including kelp)					Weed, kelp
13.2		Kelp, Weed	 Kelp				Weed, kelp as an area

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Nature of the Seabed

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
14		Sandwaves	Sandwaves				Sand waves as a point
							Sand waves as a line
							Sand waves as an area
15		Spring in seabed	Spring				Spring

Types of Seabed, Intertidal Areas

20		Area with stones and gravel					Areas of gravel and stone
21		Rocky area, which covers and uncovers					Rocky ledges or coral reef
22		Coral reef, which covers and uncovers					

Qualifying Terms

Supplementary national symbols: ah–bf

30	f	Fine	only used in relation to sand			
31	m	Medium				
32	c	Coarse				
33	bk	Broken				
34	sy	Sticky				
35	so	Soft				
36	sf	Stiff				
37	v	Volcanic	vol			
38	ca	Calcareous	Ca			Rocky ledges or coral reef
39	h	Hard				

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Supplementary National Abbreviations						
a		Ground	<i>Grd</i>			
b		Ooze	<i>Oz</i>			
c		Marl	<i>Ml</i>			
d		Shingle	<i>Sn</i>			
f		Chalk	<i>Ck</i>			
g		Quartz	<i>Qz</i>			
h		Schist	<i>Sch</i>			
i		Coral head	<i>Co Hd</i>			
j		Madrepores	<i>Mds</i>			
k		Volcanic ash	<i>Vol Ash</i>			
l		Lava	<i>La</i>			
m		Pumice	<i>Pm</i>			
n		Tufa	<i>T</i>			
o		Scoriae	<i>Sc</i>			
p		Cinders	<i>Cn</i>			
q		Manganese	<i>Mn</i>			
r		Oysters	<i>Oys</i>			
s		Mussels	<i>Ms</i>			
t		Sponge	<i>Spg</i>			
u		Kelp	<i>K</i>			
v		Grass	<i>Grs</i>			
w		Sea-tangle	<i>Stg</i>			
x		Spicules	<i>Spi</i>			
y		Foraminifera	<i>Fr</i>			
z		Globigerina	<i>Gl</i>			
aa		Diatoms	<i>Di</i>			
ab		Radiolaria	<i>Rd</i>			
ac		Pteropods	<i>Pt</i>			
ad		Polyzoa	<i>Po</i>			
ae		Cirripedia	<i>Cir</i>			
af		Fucus	<i>Fu</i>			

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Nature of the Seabed

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
ag		Mattes	<i>Ma</i>			
ah		Small	<i>sml</i>			
ai		Large	<i>lrg</i>			
aj		Rotten	<i>rt</i>			
ak		Streaky	<i>str</i>			
al		Speckled	<i>spk</i>			
am		Gritty	<i>gty</i>			
an		Decayed	<i>dec</i>			
ao		Flinty	<i>fly</i>			
ap		Glacial	<i>glac</i>			
aq		Tenacious	<i>ten</i>			
ar		White	<i>wh</i>			
as		Black	<i>bl; bk</i>			
at		Violet	<i>vi</i>			
au		Blue	<i>bu</i>			
av		Green	<i>gn</i>			
aw		Yellow	<i>yl</i>			
ax		Orange	<i>or</i>			
ay		Red	<i>rd</i>			
az		Brown	<i>br</i>			
ba		Chocolate	<i>ch</i>			
bb		Gray	<i>gy</i>			
bc		Light	<i>lt</i>			
bd		Dark	<i>dk</i>			
be		Varied	<i>vard</i>			
bf		Uneven	<i>unev</i>			

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No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
General						
1		Danger line: A danger line draws attention to a danger which would not stand out clearly enough if represented solely by its symbol (e.g. isolated rock) or delimits an area containing numerous dangers, through which it is unsafe to navigate				Obstruction, depth not stated Obstruction which covers and uncovers Underwater hazard with depth of 20 meters or less Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour Foul area, not safe for navigation
2		Swept by wire drag or diver				Swept sounding, less than or equal to safety depth Swept sounding, greater than safety depth
3		Depth unknown, but estimated to have a safe clearance to the depth shown				ECDIS displays safe clearance depths in the same manner as known depths.
Rocks						
Plane of Reference for Heights → H		Plane of Reference for Depths → H				
10		Rock (islet) which does not cover, height above height datum				Land as a point at small scale Land as an area, with an elevation or control point
11		Rock which covers and uncovers, height above chart datum				Rock which covers and uncovers or is awash at low water Underwater hazard which covers and uncovers with drying height Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour
12		Rock awash at the level of chart datum				Rock which covers and uncovers or is awash at low water Underwater hazard which covers and uncovers Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour

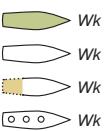
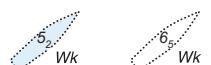
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13		Underwater rock of unknown depth, dangerous to surface navigation					Dangerous underwater rock of uncertain depth
							Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour
14.1		Underwater rock of known depth; inside the corresponding depth area	12 Rk	27 Rk 21 R			Underwater hazard with a depth of 20 meters or less
							Underwater hazard with depth greater than 20 meters
14.2		Underwater rock of known depth; outside the corresponding depth area, dangerous to surface navigation	Rk	Rk R			Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour
15		Underwater rock of known depth, not dangerous to surface navigation	35 Rk	35 R. +(35)			Underwater hazard with a depth of 20 meters or less
							Underwater hazard with depth greater than 20 meters
16		Coral reef which is always covered				 	Dangerous underwater rock of uncertain depth Obstruction, depth not stated
							Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour
							Safe clearance shoaler than safety contour Safe clearance deeper than safety contour Safe clearance deeper than 20 meters
17		Breakers					Overfalls, tide rips; eddies; breakwaters as point, line, and area

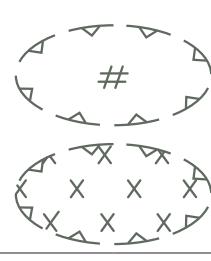
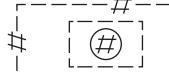
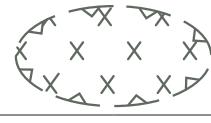
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No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Wrecks and Fouls						
Plane of Reference for Depths → H						
20		Wreck, hull never covers, on large scale charts				Wreck, always dry, with height shown
21		Wreck, covers and uncovers, on large scale charts			 	Wreck, covers and uncovers Distributed remains of wreck
22	 	Submerged wreck, depth known, on large scale charts			  	Submerged wreck with depth of 20 meters or less Submerged wreck with depth greater than 20 meters Distributed remains of wreck
23		Submerged wreck, depth unknown, on large scale charts				Submerged wreck with depth less than the safety contour or depth unknown
24		Wreck showing any portion of hull or superstructure at level of chart datum				Wreck showing any portion of hull or superstructure at level of chart datum
25		Wreck of which the mast(s) only are visible at chart datum				
26	 	Wreck, least depth known by sounding only			  	Underwater hazard with depth of 20 meters or less Underwater hazard with depth greater than 20 meters Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour

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No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
27		Wreck, least depth known, swept by wire drag or diver				  	Swept sounding for underwater hazard less than safety depth Swept sounding for underwater hazard greater than or equal to safety depth Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour
28		Dangerous wreck, depth unknown				 	Dangerous wreck, depth unknown Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour
29	++	Sunken wreck, not dangerous to surface navigation					Non-dangerous wreck, depth unknown
30		Wreck, least depth unknown, but considered to have a safe clearance to the depth shown				  	Underwater hazard with safe clearance of 20 meters or less Underwater hazard with safe clearance greater than 20 meters Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour
31.1	# (25)	Foul ground, not dangerous to surface navigation, but to be avoided by vessels anchoring, trawling, etc. (e.g. remains of wreck, cleared platform)					Foul area of seabed safe for navigation but not for anchoring Foul ground
31.2							Distributed remains of wreck
Obstructions and Aquaculture							
Plane of Reference for Depths → H		Kelp, Seaweed → J	Underwater Installations → L				
40	 	Obstruction, depth unknown				  	Obstruction, depth not stated Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour Safe clearance shoaler than safety contour

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No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
41	⑥ Obstrn ⑦ Obstrn	Obstruction, least depth known by sounding only				5 25 X	Underwater hazard with depth of 20 meters or less Underwater hazard with depth greater than 20 meters Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour
42	⑥ Obstrn ⑦ Obstrn	Obstruction, least depth known, swept by wire drag or diver				4 21 5 25 X	Less than or equal to safety depth swept depth Greater than safety depth Method of depth measurement is obtained by cursor pick known by diver or other means Underwater hazard with depth of 20 meters or less Underwater hazard with depth greater than 20 meters Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour
43.1	τ τ τ	Stumps of posts or piles, wholly submerged	○○ Subm piles	○ Piles	τ τ	5	Obstruction, depth not stated Underwater hazard with depth of 20 meters or less
43.2	τ	Submerged pile, stake, snag, or stump (with exact position)	○ Subm piles ○ Stakes ○ Snags	○ Well ○ Deadhead ○ Stump	τ τ τ	5 X	Underwater hazard with depth greater than 20 meters Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour
44.1	~~~~~	Fishing stakes	~~~~~ Fsh stks			||||| ~~~~~	Fish stakes as a point Fish stakes as an area
44.2	~~~~~	Fish trap, Fish weir, Tunny nets	Fish trap			~~~~~	Fish trap, fish weir, tunny net as a point
45	[Fish traps] [Tunny nets]	Fish trap area, Tunny nets area	— — — — —			~~~~~	Fish trap, fish weir, tunny net as an area

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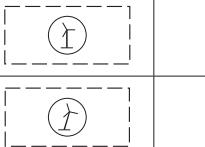
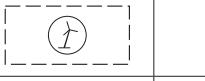
No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
46.1		Fish haven					Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour Safe clearance shoaler than safety contour
46.2		Fish haven with minimum depth					Underwater hazard with depth of 20 meters or less
							Underwater hazard with depth greater than 20 meters
							Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour
							Safe clearance shoaler than safety contour
							Safe clearance deeper than safety contour
							Safe clearance deeper than 20 meters
47		Shellfish beds					Marine farm as a point
48.1		Marine farm (on large scale charts)					Marine farm as an area
48.2		Marine farm (on small scale charts)					

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No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Supplementary National Symbols						
a		Rock awash (height unknown)	* *			
b		Shoal sounding on isolated rock or rocks	5 Rk 21 Rks		9 R 2 r 2 P + (8)	
c		Sunken wreck covered 20 to 30 meters	++		++	
d		Submarine volcano	Sub vol			
e		Discolored water	Discol water			
f		Sunken danger with depth cleared (swept) by wire drag	21 Rk 46 35 Rk 46 Obstn			
g		Reef of unknown extent	Reef			
h		Coral reef, detached (uncovers at sounding datum)	* Co	Co Coral Co Co		
i		Submerged crib	Subm Crib	Crib	□	
j		Crib, duck blind (above water)	Duck Blind	Crib		
k		Submerged duck blind	Subm Duck			
l		Submerged platform	Subm platform	Platform		
m		Coral reef which covers and uncovers		Hay Reef		
n		Sinkers		Sinkers 13 14 15		
o		Foul area, foul with rocks or wreckage, dangerous to navigation	Foul Wks Wreckage			
p		Unexploded ordnance	Unexploded Ordnance	Unexploded Ordnance		
q		Float	□ Float			
r		Stumps of posts or piles, which cover and uncover	Subm piles			

L Offshore Installations

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
General						
Areas, Limits → N						
1	Ekofisk Oilfield	Name of oilfield or gasfield		CORRIB GAS FIELD Well 346 Well 345 Well 334 Well 335		
2	 z-44	Platform with designation/name				
3		Limit of safety zone around offshore installation				
4		Limit of development area				
5.1	  	Wind turbine, floating wind turbine, vertical clearance under blade				Wind motor visually conspicuous
5.2			Offshore wind farm			
			Offshore wind farm (floating)			
6			Wave farm			
Platforms and Moorings						
Mooring Buoys → Q						
10		Production platform, Platform, Oil derrick				
11	 Fla	Flare stack (at sea)				

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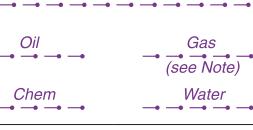
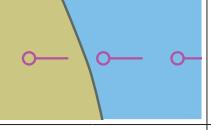
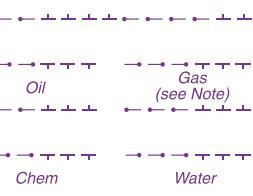
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No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
12		Single Point Mooring (SPM), including Single Anchor Leg Mooring (SALM), Articulated Loading Column (ALC)					Offshore platform, name and status of disused is obtained by cursor pick
13		Observation/research platform (with name)					
14	Ru	Disused platform with superstructure removed					
15		Artificial island					
16		Single Buoy Mooring (SBM), Oil or gas installation buoy including Catenary Anchor Leg Mooring (CALM)					Installation buoy and mooring buoy, simplified
17		Moored storage tanker					Installation buoy, paper chart
18		Mooring ground tackle					Offshore platform
Underwater Installations							Supplementary national symbol: a

		Plane of Reference for Depths → H	Obstructions → K				
20		Submerged production well	 Well (cov 21ft) Well (cov 83ft) ♦		 15 Prod Well Prod Well		Underwater hazard with depth of 20 meters or less
							Underwater hazard with depth greater than 20 meters
							Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour
21.1		Suspended well, depth over wellhead unknown					Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour
21.2	43 Well 15 Well	Suspended well, with depth over wellhead	 Pipe (cov 24ft) Pipe (cov 92ft)				Underwater hazard with depth of 20 meters or less
							Underwater hazard with depth greater than 20 meters
							Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour
21.3		Wellhead with height above the sea floor					Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour

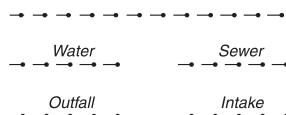
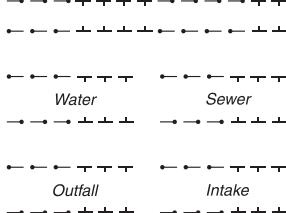
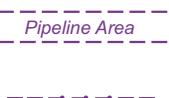
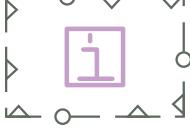
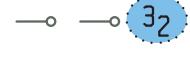
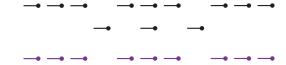
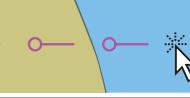
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No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
22	#	Site of cleared platform				#	Foul area of seabed safe for navigation but not for anchoring
23	 o Pipe  Pipe (1g)	Above-water wellhead (lit or unlit)	o Pipe		 Pipe (24)		Obstruction in the water which is always above water level
24	 Turbine  FI(2) Underwater Turbine	Underwater turbine				 i	Underwater turbine or subsurface ODAS
25	 ODAS	Subsurface Ocean(ographic) Data Acquisition System (ODAS)				 i	
Submarine Cables							
30.1		Submarine cable					Submarine cable
30.2		Submarine cable area					Submarine cable area
31.1		Submarine power cable					Submarine cable area
31.2	 	Submarine power cable area					
32		Disused submarine cable					Status of disused is obtained by cursor pick
Submarine Pipelines							
40.1		Supply pipeline: unspecified, oil, gas, chemicals, water					Oil, gas pipeline, submerged or on land
40.2		Supply pipeline area: unspecified, oil, gas, chemicals, water					Submarine pipeline area with potentially dangerous contents

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No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
41.1		Outfall and intake: unspecified, water, sewer, outfall, intake					Water pipeline, sewer, etc.
41.2		Outfall and intake area: unspecified, water, sewer, outfall, intake					Submarine pipeline area with generally non-dangerous contents
42.1		Buried pipeline/pipe (with nominal depth to which buried)					Nominal depth of buried pipeline is obtained by cursor pick
42.2		Pipeline tunnel					Pipeline tunnel
43		Diffuser, Crib				 	Underwater hazard with depth of 20 meters or less Isolated danger of depth less than the safety contour
44		Disused pipeline/pipe					Status of disused is obtained by cursor pick
Supplementary National Symbols							
a		Submerged well (buoyed)					
b		Potable water intake	 PWI Depth over Crib 17 ft				

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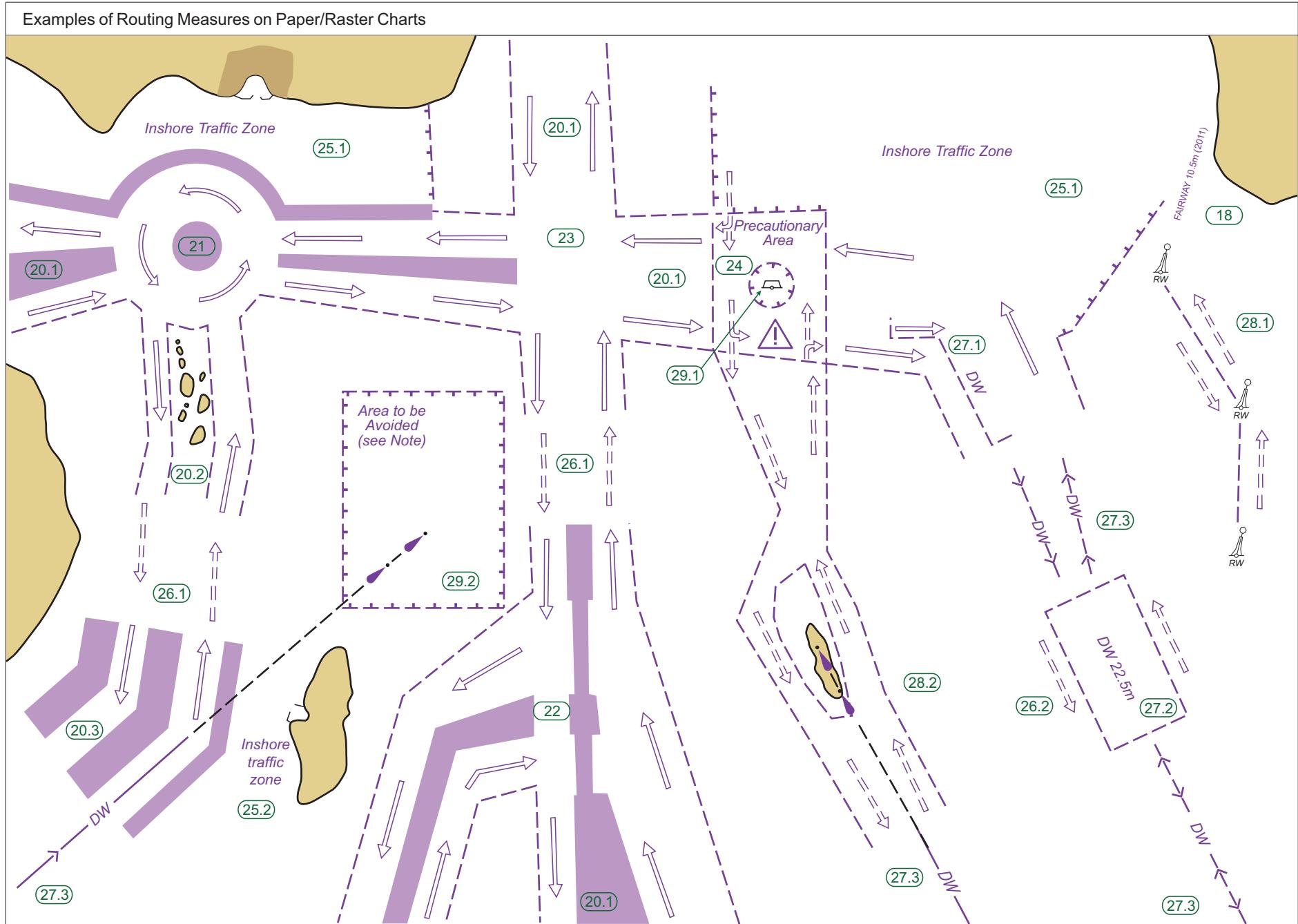
Tracks, Routes

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Tracks						Supplementary national symbols: a–c
Tracks Marked by Lights → P Leading Beacons → Q						
1		Leading line (solid line is the track to be followed, ≠ means "in line")		Lights in line 090°		<p>Leading line bearing a non-regulated, recommended track</p> <p>-<?>— — < | Direction not encoded</p> <p>— — — ← 270 deg | One-way</p> <p>— — — ← → 270 deg | Two-way</p>
2		Transit (other than leading line), clearing line		Beacons in line 090°	Bns in line 270.5°	— — 270 deg — — | Clearing line; transit line
3		Recommended track based on a system of fixed marks		Lights in line 090°	<p>—>—>— | Non-regulated, recommended track based on fixed marks</p> <p>—>—>— | Direction not encoded</p> <p>→ → 90 deg | One-way</p> <p>↔ ↔ 270 deg | Two-way</p>	
4		Recommended track not based on a system of fixed marks				<p>Non-regulated, recommended track not based on fixed marks</p> <p>-<?>— — < | Direction not encoded</p> <p>— > 90 deg — > | One-way</p> <p>-<—>— — <- 270 deg | Two-way</p>
5.1		One-way track and DW track based on a system of fixed marks				<p>Based on fixed marks, one-way</p> <p>→ → 90 deg → | Non-regulated recommended track</p> <p>→ → DW → | Deep water route</p>
		One-way track and DW track not based on a system of fixed marks				<p>Not based on fixed marks, one-way</p> <p>— > 90 deg — > | Non-regulated recommended track</p> <p>— > — DW — | Deep water route centerline</p>
6		Recommended track with maximum authorized (or recommended) draft stated				If encoded, the shoalest depth range value along the track is obtained by cursor pick

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Routing Measures						Supplementary national symbols: d–e
Basic Symbols						
10		Established (mandatory) direction of traffic flow				Traffic direction in a one-way lane of a traffic separation scheme
11		Recommended direction of traffic flow				Single traffic direction in a two-way route part of a traffic-separation scheme
12		Separation line (large scale, small scale)				Traffic separation line
13		Separation zone				Traffic separation zone
14		Limit of restricted routing measure (e.g. Inshore Traffic Zone (ITZ), Area to be Avoided (ATBA))				
15		Limit of routing measure				Traffic separation scheme boundary
16		Precautionary area				Traffic precautionary area as a point
						Traffic precautionary area as an area
17		Archipelagic Sea Lane (ASL); axis line and limit beyond which vessels shall not navigate				Axis and boundary of archipelagic sea lane
18		Fairway designated by regulatory authority with minimum depth	<u>SAFETY FAIRWAY 166.200 (see note A)</u>			Fairway, depth is obtained by cursor pick
		Fairway designated by regulatory authority with maximum authorized draft				

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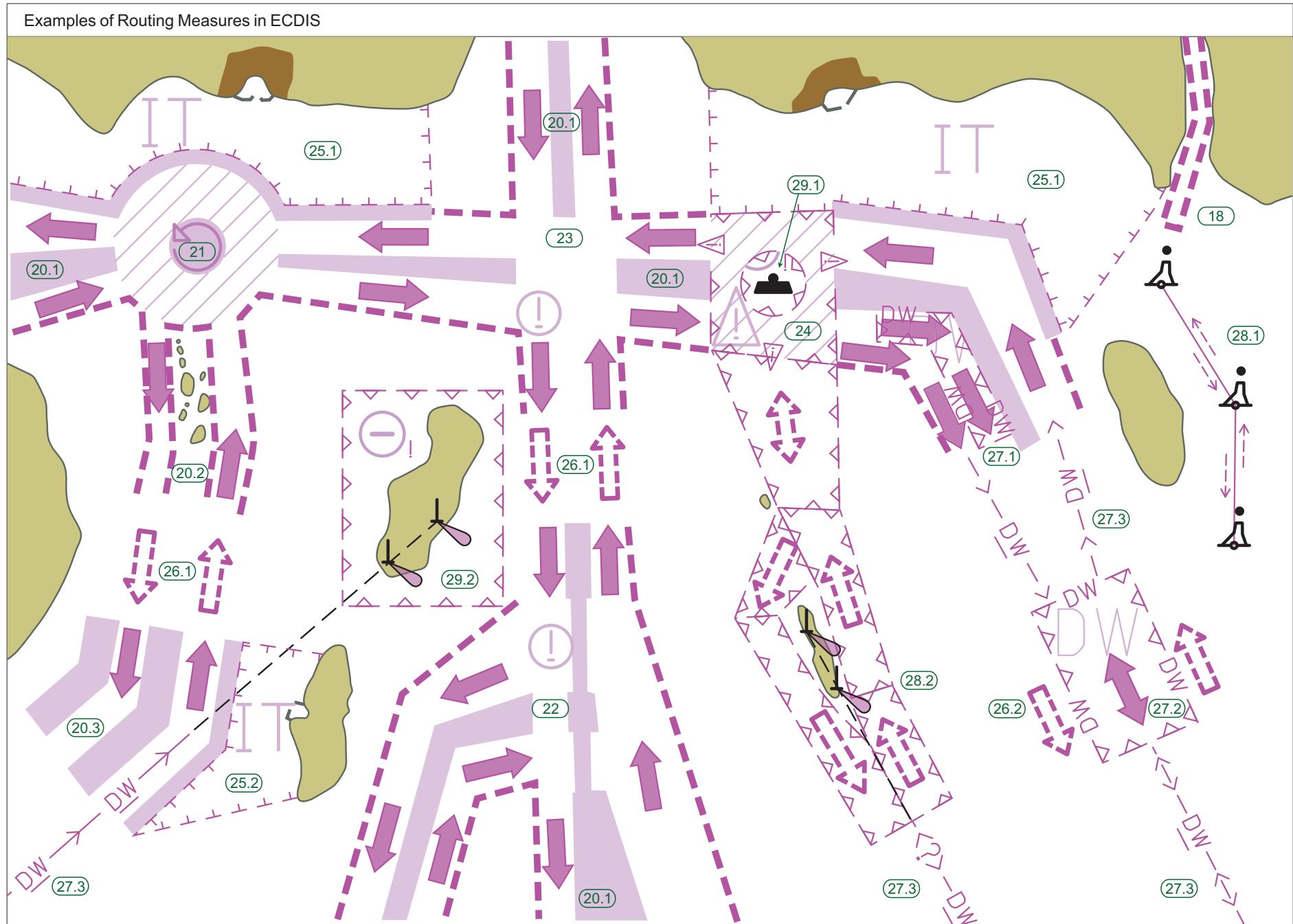
Tracks, Routes



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Examples of Routing Measures	
(18)	Safety fairway
(20.1)	Traffic Separation Scheme (TSS), traffic separated by separation zone
(20.2)	Traffic Separation Scheme, traffic separated by natural obstructions
(20.3)	Traffic Separation Scheme, with outer separation zone separating traffic using scheme from traffic not using it
(21)	Traffic Separation Scheme, roundabout with separation zone
(22)	Traffic Separation Scheme, with "crossing gates"
(23)	Traffic Separation Scheme crossing, without designated precautionary area
(24)	Precautionary area
(25.1)	Inshore Traffic Zone (ITZ), with defined end limits
(25.2)	Inshore Traffic Zone, without defined end limits
(26.1)	Recommended direction of traffic flow, between traffic separation schemes
(26.2)	Recommended direction of traffic flow, for ships not needing a deep water route
(27.1)	Deep water route (DW), as part of one-way traffic lane
(27.2)	Two-way deep water route, with minimum depth stated
(27.3)	Deep water route, centerline as recommended one-way or two-way track
(28.1)	Recommended route, one-way and two-way (often marked by centerline buoys)
(28.2)	Two-way route, with one-way sections
(29.1)	Area to be Avoided (ATBA), around navigational aid
(29.2)	Area to be Avoided, e.g. because of danger of stranding

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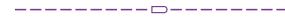
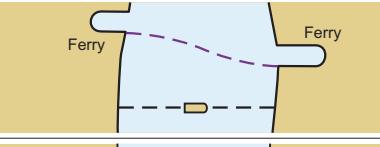
Tracks, Routes



No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Radar Surveillance Systems						
30	⊕ Radar Surveillance Station	Radar surveillance station				
31		Radar range				
32.1		Radar reference line				270 deg
32.2		Radar reference line coinciding with a leading line				<p>Non-regulated recommended track based on fixed marks</p> <p>- <?> — — — < Direction not encoded</p> <p>→ → 90 deg One-way</p> <p>↔ ↔ 270 deg Two-way</p>
Radio Reporting Points						
40.1	   VHF 80	Radio reporting (calling-in or way) points showing direction(s) of vessel movement with designation (if any) and VHF-channel			 Nr 13 ch s74	Radio calling-in point for traffic in one direction only
40.2		Radio reporting line			 Nr 13 ch s74	Radio calling-in point for traffic in one direction only
					 Nr 13 ch s74	Radio calling-in point for traffic in both directions
					 Nr 13 ch s74	Radio calling-in point, direction not encoded

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Tracks, Routes

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Ferries						
50		Ferry				Ferry route
51	 Cable Ferry	Cable Ferry				Cable ferry route
Supplementary National Symbols						
a		Recommended track for deep draft vessels (track not defined by fixed marks)				
b		Depth is shown where it has been obtained by the cognizant authority				
c		Alternate course				

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
General *						
Dredged and Swept Areas → I		Submarine Cables, Submarine Pipelines → L				Tracks, Routes → M
1.1		Maritime limit in general, usually implying permanent physical obstructions (tint band for emphasis)				Caution area, a specific caution note applies
1.2		Maritime limit in general, usually implying no permanent physical obstructions (tint band for emphasis)				
2.1		Limit of restricted area				Area where entry is prohibited or restricted or to be avoided
		Limit of restricted area, with tint band for emphasis				
2.2		Limit of area into which entry is prohibited				Area where entry is prohibited or restricted or to be avoided, with other cautions
						Area where entry is prohibited or restricted or to be avoided, with other information
Anchorages, Anchorage Areas						
10		Reported anchorage (no defined limits)				Anchorage area as a point at small scale, or anchor points of mooring trot at large scale
11.1		Anchor berths				Anchor berth
11.2		Anchor berths with swinging circle				Radius of swing circle is obtained by cursor pick

* ECDIS represents many types of area limits with just a few different symbols. Information about the type of area and its associated restrictions or prohibitions may be obtained by cursor pick.

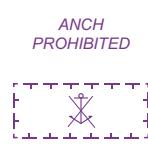
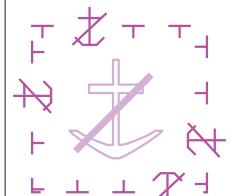
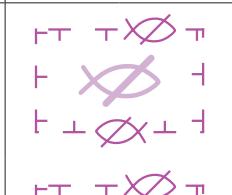
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Areas, Limits

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
12.1		Anchorage area in general					
12.2		Numbered anchorage area					
12.3		Named anchorage area					
12.4		Deep water anchorage area, Anchorage area for deep draft vessels					
12.5		Tanker anchorage area					
12.6		Anchorage area for periods up to 24 hours					
12.7		Explosives anchorage area					
12.8		Quarantine anchorage area					
12.9		Reserved anchorage area					

Note: Anchors as part of the limit symbol are not shown for small areas. Other types of anchorage areas may be shown.

13		Seaplane operating area					Seaplane landing area
14		Anchorage for seaplanes					Type of anchorage area is obtained by cursor pick

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Restricted Areas						Supplementary national symbols: d, e, g
20		Anchoring prohibited				 <p>Area where anchoring is prohibited or restricted</p>
21.1		Fishing prohibited				 <p>Area where fishing or trawling is prohibited or restricted</p> <p>Area where fishing or trawling is prohibited or restricted, with other cautions</p> <p>Area where fishing or trawling is prohibited or restricted, with other information</p>

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Areas, Limits

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
21.2		Diving prohibited					Area where diving is prohibited
22.1		Bird sanctuary					Environmentally Sensitive Sea Area (ESSA)
22.2		Seal sanctuary					Area with minor restrictions or information notices
22.3		Non-specific nature reserve, National parks, Marine Reserves (MR)					
22.4		Particularly Sensitive Sea Area (PSSA)					PSSA

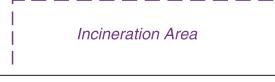
No.	INT		Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
23.1			Explosives dumping ground, individual mine or explosive					Explosives or chemical dumping ground as a point
23.2			Explosives dumping ground (disused), Foul (explosives)					Explosives or chemical dumping ground as an area
24			Dumping ground for chemical waste					
25			Degaussing range (DG range)					Degaussing area
27	<i>5kn</i>		Maximum speed					If a speed restriction exists, the speed limit is obtained by cursor pick
Military Practice Areas								
30			Firing practice area					Restricted area
31			Military restricted area, entry prohibited					Area where entry is prohibited or restricted or to be avoided, with other cautions
32			Mine-laying (and counter-measures) practice area					
33			Submarine transit lane and exercise area					Restricted area
34			Minefield					Minefield
International Boundaries and National Limits								
40			International boundary on land					Jurisdiction boundary

Supplementary national symbols: a, f, h

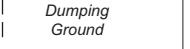
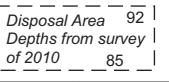
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Areas, Limits

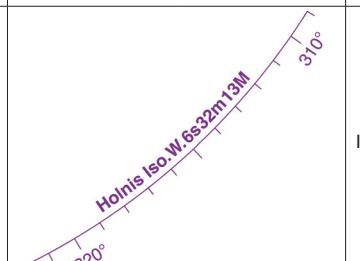
No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
41		International maritime boundary					Jurisdiction boundary
42		Straight territorial sea baseline with base point					Straight territorial sea baseline
43		Seaward limit of territorial sea					Territorial sea
44		Seaward limit of contiguous zone					Contiguous zone
45		Limits of fishery zones					Limits of fishery zone
46		Limit of continental shelf					Continental shelf area
47		Limit of Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ)					Exclusive economic zone
48		Customs limit					Custom regulations zone
49		Harbor limit					Harbor area, symbolized
Various Limits				Supplementary national symbols: a, b			
60.1		Limit of fast ice, Ice front (with date)					Continuous pattern for an ice area (glacier, etc.)
60.2		Limit of sea ice (pack ice) seasonal (with date)					
61		Floating barrier, including log ponds, security barriers, ice booms, shark nets					Floating hazard
							Boom, ice boom
							Boom, ice boom, floating obstruction, log pond
62.1		Spoil ground					HO information note
62.2		Spoil ground (disused)					

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
63		Extraction (dredging) area					Dredging area
64		Cargo transhipment area					HO information note
65		Incineration area					

Supplementary National Symbols

a	COLREGS demarcation line						
b	Limit of fishing area (fish trap areas)						
c	Dumping ground						
d	Dumping area (Dump site)						
f	Reservation line (Options)						
g	Dump site						
h	Three Nautical Mile Line						
i	No Discharge Zone						

P Lights

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Light Structures and Major Floating Lights						
Minor Light Floats → Q30, 31						
1		Lt LtHo	Major light, minor light, light, lighthouse			 Light, lighthouse, paper chart
2			Lighted offshore platform			 Lighted offshore platform, paper chart
3	 		Lighted beacon tower			 Lighted beacon tower, paper chart
4	 		Lighted beacon			 Lighted beacon, paper chart
5	 		Articulated light, buoyant beacon, resilient beacon			
6			Major floating light (light vessel, major light float, LANBY)			 Light vessel, paper chart
Note: Minor lights, fixed and floating, usually conform to IALA Maritime Buoyage System characteristics.						
7		Navigational lights on landmarks or other structures				
8		Important light off chart limits				

No.	Abbreviation INT	Abbreviation NOAA	Class of light	Illustration	Period shown		ECDIS
Light Characters							
Light Characters on Light Buoys → Q							
10.1	F	F	Fixed				
Occulting (total duration of light longer than total duration of darkness)							
10.2	Oc	Oc	Single-occulting				
	Oc(2) Example	Oc (2)	Group-occulting				
	Oc(2+3) Example	Oc (2+3)	Composite group-occulting				
Isophase (duration of light and darkness equal)							
10.3	Iso	Iso	Isophase				
Flashing (total duration of light shorter than total duration of darkness)							
10.4	Fl	Fl	Single-flashing				
	Fl(3) Example	Fl (3)	Group-flashing				
	Fl(2+1) Example	Fl (2+1)	Composite group-flashing				
10.5	L Fl	L Fl	Long-flashing (flash 2s or longer)				
Quick (repetition rate of 50 to 79 - usually either 50 or 60 - flashes per minute)							
10.6	Q	Q	Continuous quick				
	Q(3) Example	Q (3)	Group quick				
	IQ	IQ	Interrupted quick				
Very quick (repetition rate of 80 to 159 - usually either 100 or 120 - flashes per minute)							
10.7	VQ	VQ	Continuous very quick				
	VQ(3) Example	VQ (3)	Group very quick				
	IVQ	IVQ	Interrupted very quick				
Ultra quick (repetition rate of 160 or more - usually 240 to 300 - flashes per minute)							
10.8	UQ	UQ	Continuous ultra quick				
	IUQ	IUQ	Interrupted ultra quick				

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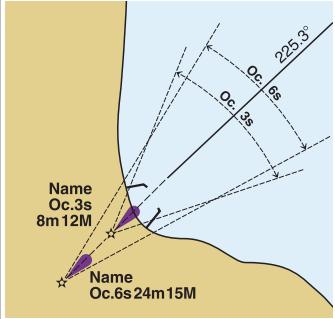
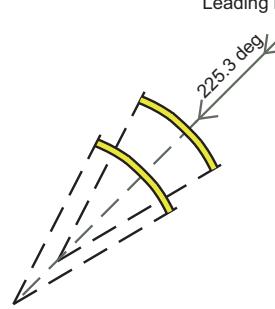
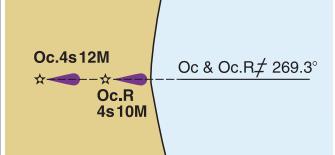
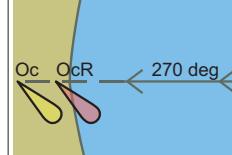
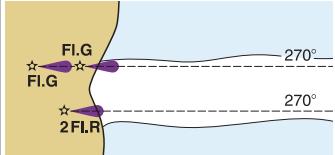
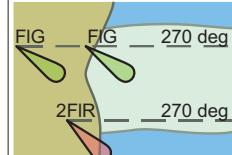
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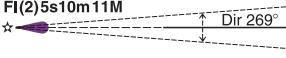
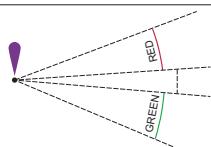
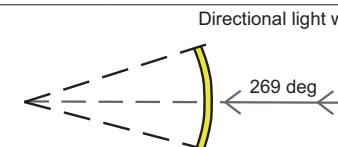
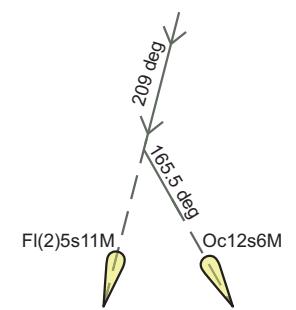
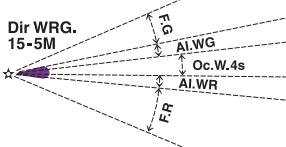
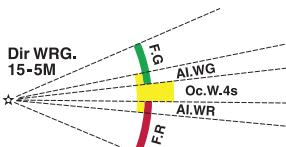
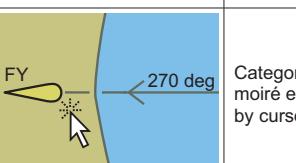
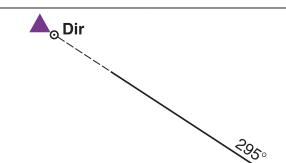
No.	Abbreviation INT		Class of light	Illustration	Period shown	ECDIS
			NOAA			
10.9	Mo(K) Example	Mo (K)	Morse Code		Mo (K)	When text for lights is displayed, ECDIS uses INT abbreviations.
10.10	FFI	F FI	Fixed and flashing		F FI	
10.11	AI.WR	AIWR	Alternating		AI WR	

No.	INT		Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS							
11.1	W		White (only on sector and alternating lights)	<p>Colors of lights shown on standard charts</p>										
11.2	R		Red											
11.3	G		Green											
11.4	Bu		Blue											
11.5	Vi		Violet											
11.6	Y		Yellow											
11.7	Y	Or	Orange											
11.8	Y	Am	Amber											
Period														
12	2.5s	90s	Period in seconds and tenths of a second											
Elevation														
Plane of reference for Heights → H			Tidal Levels → H											
13	12m		Elevation of light given in meters or feet	36ft										
Range														
14	15M		Light with single range											
	15/10M		Light with two different ranges	10M <i>only lesser of two ranges is charted</i>		15/10M	When text for lights is displayed, ECDIS uses INT abbreviations.							
	15-7M		Light with three or more ranges	7M <i>only least of three ranges is charted</i>										
Note: Charted ranges are nominal ranges given in Nautical Miles.														

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
Disposition							
15	(hor)	Horizontally disposed				 Disposition of light is obtained by cursor pick	
	(vert)	Vertically disposed					
	(Δ) (▽)	3 lights disposed in the shape of a triangle					
Example of a Full Light Description							
16	INT Example  Name • Fl(3)WRG.15s 21m 15-11M		NOAA Example  Name • Fl (3) WRG 15s 21ft 11M		NGA Example  Name • Fl (3) WRG 15s 21m 15-11M		
	Fl(3)	Class of light: group flashing repeating a group of three flashes	Fl(3)	Class of light: group flashing repeating a group of three flashes		The descriptions of non-sector lights are shown in ECDIS when the display of text is turned on, as shown above. (The aid to navigation or other structure that is always shown attached to a light flare in ECDIS is not depicted here.)	
	WRG	Colors: white, red, green, exhibiting the different colors in defined sections	WRG	Colors: white, red, green, exhibiting the different colors in defined sections		Sector lights (as described in the INT, NOAA and NGA examples at left) are depicted graphically in ECDIS, as shown below and in P40.	
	15s	Period: the time taken to exhibit one full sequence of three flashes and eclipses: 15 seconds	15s	Period: the time taken to exhibit one full sequence of three flashes and eclipses: 15 seconds			
	21m	Elevation of focal plane above datum: 21 meters	21ft	21 feet	 The description of a sector light or any other type of light may always be obtained by cursor pick.		
	15-11M	Nominal range: white 15M, green 11M, red between 15 and 11M	21m	21 meters			
			11M	Nominal range: shortest range of all the lights is 11M			
			15-11M	white 15M, green 11M, red between 15 and 11M			

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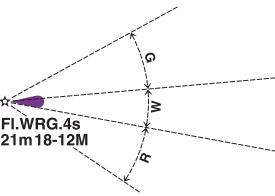
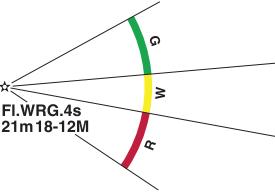
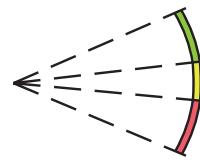
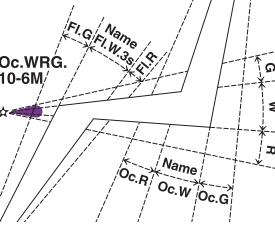
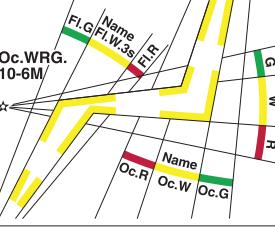
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Lights Marking Fairways						
Leading Lights and Lights in Line						
20.1	 A diagram showing a yellow landmass on the left and a blue water area on the right. A solid line represents the track to be followed. Two purple stars represent leading lights. Dashed arcs from these stars indicate the arcs of visibility. Labels include "Name Oc.3s 8m12M" and "Name Oc.6s 24m15M". A bearing of "225.3°" is shown.	Leading lights with leading line (solid line is the track to be followed) and arcs of visibility Bearing given in degrees and tenths of a degree	 Two purple stars connected by a horizontal line, labeled "Lts in line 270°".			 A diagram showing a yellow landmass on the left and a blue water area on the right. Two purple stars represent leading lights. A yellow sector arc is drawn between them, labeled "225.3 deg". A bearing of "225.3 deg" is shown.
20.2	 A diagram showing a yellow landmass on the left and a blue water area on the right. Two purple stars represent leading lights. A label "Oc & Oc.R ≠ 269.3°" is present.	Leading lights (# means lights in line) Bearing given in degrees and tenths of a degree			 A diagram showing a yellow landmass on the left and a blue water area on the right. Two purple stars represent leading lights. A label "Oc OcR" and a bearing of "270 deg" are shown.	Leading lights
20.3	 A diagram showing a yellow landmass on the left and a blue water area on the right. A single purple star represents a leading light.	Leading lights on small scale charts				
21	 A diagram showing a yellow landmass on the left and a blue water area on the right. Two purple stars represent lights in line, marking the sides of a channel. Labels include "FI.G", "2FI.R", and two "270°" bearings.	Lights in line, marking the sides of a channel			 A diagram showing a yellow landmass on the left and a blue water area on the right. Two green stars represent lights in line, marking the sides of a channel. Labels include "FIG", "2FIG", "270 deg", and "270 deg".	Lights in line, marking the sides of a channel
22	Rear Lt or Upper Lt	Rear or upper light				
23	Front Lt or Lower Lt	Front or lower light				

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Direction Lights						
30.1		Direction light with narrow sector and course to be followed, flanked by darkness or unintensified light				Directional light with sector 
30.2	 	Direction light with course to be followed, sector(s) uncharted				Directional light without sector 
30.3	  	Direction light with narrow fairway sector flanked by light sectors of different character on standard charts				Light, directional 
30.4	  	Direction light with narrow fairway sector flanked by light sectors of different character on multicolored charts				Category of light as moiré effect is obtained by cursor pick 
31		Moiré effect light (day and night), arrows show when course alteration needed				

Note: Quoted bearings are always from seaward.

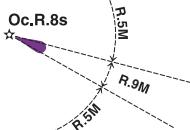
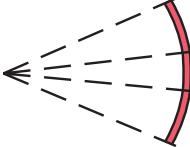
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Lights

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Sector Lights						
40.1		Sector light on standard charts				
40.2		Sector light on multicolored charts				
41.1		Sector lights on standard charts, the white sector limits marking the sides of the fairway				
41.2		Sector lights on multicolored charts, the white sector limits marking the sides of the fairway				

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
42		Main light visible all-round with red subsidiary light seen over danger				
43		All-round light with obscured sector				
44		Light with arc of visibility deliberately restricted				
45		Light with faint sector				

P Lights

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
46	 	Light with intensified sector				 Intensified light visibility is obtained by cursor pick  Light, intensified	
Lights with Limited Times of Exhibition							
50	! ★ F.R.(occas)	Lights exhibited only when specially needed (for fishing vessels, ferries) and some private lights	Occas	! F R (occas)		 Status and condition of light is obtained by cursor pick	
51	! ★ Fl.10s 40m 27M (Fl.37m 11M Day)	Daytime light (charted only where the character shown by day differs from that shown at night)		! F Bu 9m 6M (F by day)			
52	! Name ★ Q.WRG.5m 10-3M (Fl.5s Fog)	Fog light (exhibited only in fog, or character changes in fog)					
53	† ★ Fl.5s(U)	Unwatched (unmanned) light with no standby or emergency arrangements					
54	(temp)	Temporary					
55	(exting)	Extinguished					
Special Lights							
Flare Stack (as sea) → L		Flare Stack (on land) → E	Signal Stations → T				
60	! ★ Aero Al.FI.WG.7.5s 11M	Aero light (may be unreliable)	! AERO	! AERO Al WG 7.5s 108m 13M	! ★ AERO	 AeroAlFIWG7.5s11M Light	
61.1	! † ★ Aero F.R.313m 11M RADIO MAST (353)	Air obstruction light of high intensity (e.g. on radio mast)		! AERO F R 77m 11M		 AeroFR313m11M Conspicuous mast with light	
61.2	(89) ↓ (R Lts)	Air obstruction light of low intensity (e.g. on radio mast)		○ TR (RLts)			
62	Fog Det Lt		Fog detector light			 Category of light is obtained by cursor pick	
63	! !	(Illuminated)	Floodlit, floodlighting of a structure			Floodlight	

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
64		Strip light					Strip light
65	(priv)	Private light other than one exhibited occasionally	! Priv	! F R (priv)	◆ ● Priv maintd		Status of private is obtained by cursor pick
66	(sync)	Synchronized light					
Supplementary National Symbols							
a		Riprap surrounding light					
b		Short-Long Flashing			↖ ↗ ↗ ↗ ↗ ↗ S-L Fl		
c		Group-Short Flashing			↖ ↗ ↗ ↗ ↗ ↗ G-S Fl		
d		Fixed and Group Flashing			F Gp Fl		
e		Unmanned light-vessel; light float					
f		LANBY, superbuoy as navigational aid					



Simplified and Traditional “Paper Chart” Symbols

ECDIS can be set to display aids to navigation with either traditional “paper chart” or simplified symbols. The two symbol sets are shown below. Some ECDIS color fill the paper chart buoy shapes, but this is not required by IHO ECDIS portrayal specifications.

Floating Marks

Paper Chart	Simplified	Simplified Symbol Name
* ▲	▲	Cardinal buoy, north
* △	△	Cardinal buoy, east
* ▽	▽	Cardinal buoy, south
* ▽	▽	Cardinal buoy, west
○ .	● .	Default symbol for buoy (used when no defining attributes have been encoded in the ENC)
* ●	●	Isolated danger buoy
△	△	Conical lateral buoy, green
△	△	Conical lateral buoy, red
□	□	Can shape lateral buoy, green
□	□	Can shape lateral buoy, red
□	□	Installation buoy and mooring buoy
□	□	Safe water buoy
○	○	Special purpose buoy, spherical or barrel shaped, or default symbol for special purpose buoy
△	△	Special purpose TSS buoy marking the starboard side of the traffic lane
□	□	Special purpose TSS buoy marking the port side of the traffic lane
△ □	△ □	Special purpose ice buoy or spar or pillar shaped buoy
□	□	Super-buoy ODAS & LANBY
□	□	Light float
★	★	Light vessel

Fixed Marks

Paper Chart	Simplified	Simplified Symbol Name
* ▲	▲	Cardinal beacon, north
* △	△	Cardinal beacon, east
* ▽	▽	Cardinal beacon, south
* ▽	▽	Cardinal beacon, west
■ .	■ ?	Default symbol for a beacon (used when no defining attributes have been encoded in the ENC)
—	·	Isolated danger beacon
—	■	Major lateral beacon, red
—	■	Major lateral beacon, green
—	■	Minor lateral beacon, green
—	■	Major safe water beacon
—	■	Minor safe water beacon
—	■	Major special purpose beacon
—	■	Minor special purpose beacon

* Paper chart symbols display various buoy or beacon shape symbols in conjunction with the topmark.
Simplified portrayal only displays the topmark.

** Several different paper chart symbols correspond to this simplified symbol.

Day Marks

Paper Chart	Simplified	Simplified Symbol Name
□	□	Square or rectangular daymark
△	●	Triangular daymark, point up
▽	●	Triangular daymark, point down
≡	≡	Retro reflector

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Buoys and Beacons						
IALA Maritime Buoyage System, which includes Beacons → Q 130						
		Default buoy symbol if no other defining attribution is provided				 
		Default beacon symbol if no other defining attribution is provided				 
1	—○—	Position of buoy or beacon	◦			ECDIS shows the position of buoys and beacons with a circle at the bottom of paper chart symbols. For simplified symbols, the position of the aid corresponds with the center of the symbol.
Colors of Buoys and Beacon Topmarks						
Abbreviations for Colors → P						
2	    	Green and black (symbols filled black)	  			
3	    	Single color other than green and black	  			
4	  	Multiple colors in horizontal bands, the color sequence is from top to bottom	   			
5	  	Multiple colors in vertical or diagonal stripes, the darker color is given first	  			
6		Retroreflecting material				Retro reflector
Note: Retroreflecting material may be fitted to some unlit marks. Charts do not usually show it. Under IALA Recommendations, black bands will appear blue under a spotlight.						
Lighted Marks						
Marks with Fog Signals → R						
7	 	Lighted marks on standard charts	 			
8	  	Lighted marks on multicolored charts				

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Buoys, Beacons

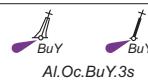
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For Application of Topmarks within the IALA System → Q 130		For other topmarks (special purpose buoys and beacons) → Q																																																	
9		IALA System buoy topmarks (beacon topmarks shown upright)				<p>Paper chart symbols for topmarks (on the left, below) are always displayed above a buoy or beacon shape symbol, as in Q 10 and Q 11. Simplified symbols (on the right, below) for cardinal marks, isolated dangers and safe water consist of only the topmark without the buoy shape symbol. Simplified symbology for marks with any other type of topmark will display only the simplified buoy or beacon shape symbol without a topmark.</p> <table> <tbody> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td>2 cones point upward</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td>2 cones point downward</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td>2 cones base to base</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td>2 cones point to point</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td>2 spheres</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td>Sphere</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td>Cone point up</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td>Cone point down</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td>Cylinder, square, vertical rectangle</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td>X-shape</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td>Flag or other shape</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td>Board, horizontal rectangle</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td>Cube point up</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td>Upright cross over a circle</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td>T-shape</td></tr> </tbody> </table>			2 cones point upward			2 cones point downward			2 cones base to base			2 cones point to point			2 spheres			Sphere			Cone point up			Cone point down			Cylinder, square, vertical rectangle			X-shape			Flag or other shape			Board, horizontal rectangle			Cube point up			Upright cross over a circle			T-shape
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10		Beacon with topmark, color, radar reflector and designation			bn No 2	Beacon in general with topmark, paper chart																																													
11		Buoy with topmark, color, radar reflector and designation			by No 3	Conical buoy with topmark, paper chart																																													
Note: Radar reflectors on floating marks usually are not charted. ECDIS does not display radar reflectors on fixed or floating aids; this information is obtained by cursor pick.																																																			

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Buoys						
Shapes of Buoys						
Features Common to Buoys and Beacons → Q 1–11						
20		Conical buoy, nun buoy, ogival buoy				Paper Chart Simplified Conical buoy
21		Can buoy or cylindrical buoy				Paper Chart Simplified Can buoy
22		Spherical buoy				Paper Chart Simplified Spherical buoy
23		Pillar buoy				Paper Chart Simplified Pillar buoy
24		Spar buoy, spindle buoy				Paper Chart Simplified Spar buoy
25		Barrel buoy, tun buoy				Paper Chart Simplified Barrel buoy
26		Superbuoy				Paper Chart Simplified Super-buoy Lanby, super-buoy Super-buoy odas & lanby
Minor Light Floats						
30	Fl.G.3s	Light float as part of IALA System				Paper Chart Simplified Light float
31	† Fl.10s	Light float not part of IALA System				Paper Chart Simplified Light float

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Buoys, Beacons

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Mooring Buoys						Supplementary national symbols: m, n
Oil or Gas Installation Buoy → L						
40		Mooring buoys				 Mooring buoy, can shape, paper chart Mooring buoy, barrel shape, paper chart Installation buoy and mooring buoy, simplified
41		Lighted mooring buoy (example)				 Mooring buoy with light flare, barrel shape, paper chart
42		Trot, mooring buoys with ground tackle and berth numbers			 Trot, mooring buoys with ground tackle and berth numbers	
43		Mooring buoy with telegraphic or telephonic communication	Tel	Tel Tel = telegraphic		 Mooring buoy, can shape, paper chart Mooring buoy, barrel shape, paper chart Installation buoy and mooring buoy, simplified
44		Numerous moorings (example)		 (5 buoys) Moorings		 Small craft mooring area
45		Visitors' mooring				Availability of visitor moorings at marina is obtained by cursor pick

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Special Purpose Buoys						
Note: Shapes of buoys are variable. Lateral or Cardinal buoys may be used in some situations.						
					 Purpose of buoy and other information is obtained by cursor pick	
50		Firing danger area (Danger Zone) buoy				
51		Target				
52		Marker Ship				
53		Barge				
54		Degaussing Range buoy				
55		Cable buoy				
56		Spoil ground buoy				
57		Buoy marking outfall				
58	 	ODAS buoy (Ocean Data Acquisition System), data collecting buoy	 ODAS  ODAS		   	Super-buoy, paper chart Super-buoy odas & lanby, simplified Spherical buoy, paper chart Spherical buoy, simplified
59		Buoy marking wave recorder or current meter			 	Conical buoy with topmark, paper chart Special purpose buoy, spherical or barrel shaped, or default symbol for special purpose buoy, simplified
60		Seaplane anchorage buoy				Conical buoy, paper chart
61		Buoy marking traffic separation scheme				
62		Buoy marking recreation zone				Conical buoy with topmark, paper chart
63		Emergency wreck marking buoy (EWMB)				

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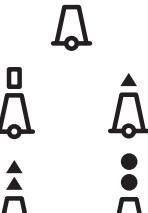
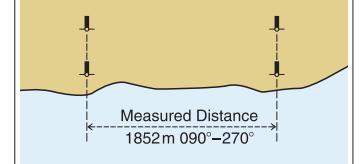
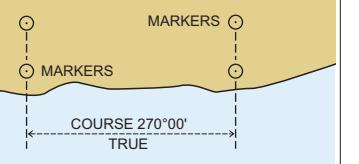
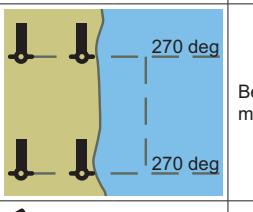
Buoys, Beacons

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Seasonal Buoys						
70		Buoy privately maintained (example)				Status as private is obtained by cursor pick
71		Seasonal buoy (example)				Status as periodic and period start and stop dates are obtained by cursor pick
Beacons						
Lighted Beacons → P Features Common to Beacons and Buoys → Q1–11						
80		Beacon in general, characteristics unknown or chart scale too small to show	<input type="checkbox"/> Bn			 Default symbol for a beacon, paper chart Default symbol for a beacon, simplified Beacon in general, paper chart
81		Beacon with color, no distinctive topmark	 			Beacon color is obtained by cursor pick
82		Beacons with colors and topmarks (examples)			 See note at Q 9 for information about topmarks and ECDIS simplified symbology	 Beacon in general with topmark, paper chart Major red lateral beacon, simplified Beacon in general with topmark, paper chart Cardinal beacon, north, simplified Beacon in general with topmark, paper chart Isolated danger beacon, simplified
83		Beacon on submerged rock with colors (topmark as appropriate)				 Beacon in general with topmark, paper chart Isolated danger beacon, simplified

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Minor Impermanent Marks Usually in Drying Areas (Lateral Marks of Minor Channels)						
Minor Pile → F						
90	l	Stake, pole	† o Stake † o Pole	● Stake ● Pole	 R	
91	Port Hand	Starboard Hand	Perch, withy		 R	
	Y	↑				
92	† ✕	† ✚	Withy			
Minor Marks, Usually on Land						
Landmarks → E						
100	¤	Cairn	○ Cairn	○ CAIRN		Conspicuous cairn
101	□ Mk	Colored or white mark				Square or rectangular day mark, paper chart
						Square or rectangular day mark, simplified
						Triangular day mark, point up, paper chart
						Triangular day mark, point up, simplified
						Triangular day mark, point down, paper chart
						Triangular day mark, point down, simplified
102.1	†  W  RW   	Colored topmark (color known or unknown) with function of a beacon				
102.2	†  RW -----  RW -----	Painted boards with function of leading beacons				

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Buoys, Beacons

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Beacon Towers						
110		Beacon towers without and with topmarks and colors (examples)	<input type="checkbox"/> RW <input type="checkbox"/> Bn			Beacon tower, paper chart Beacon tower with topmarks, paper chart Major red lateral beacon, simplified Major green lateral beacon, simplified
111		Lattice beacon				Lattice beacon, paper chart
Special Purpose Beacons						
120		Leading beacons				Leading beacons
121		Beacons marking a clearing line				Beacons marking a clearing line or transit
122		Beacons marking measured distance with quoted bearings				Beacons marking measured distance
123		Cable landing beacon (example)				Cable landing beacon (example)
124	 Ref	Refuge beacon				Purpose as refuge or firing danger area beacon is obtained by cursor pick
125		Firing danger area beacons				
126		Notice board				Notice board

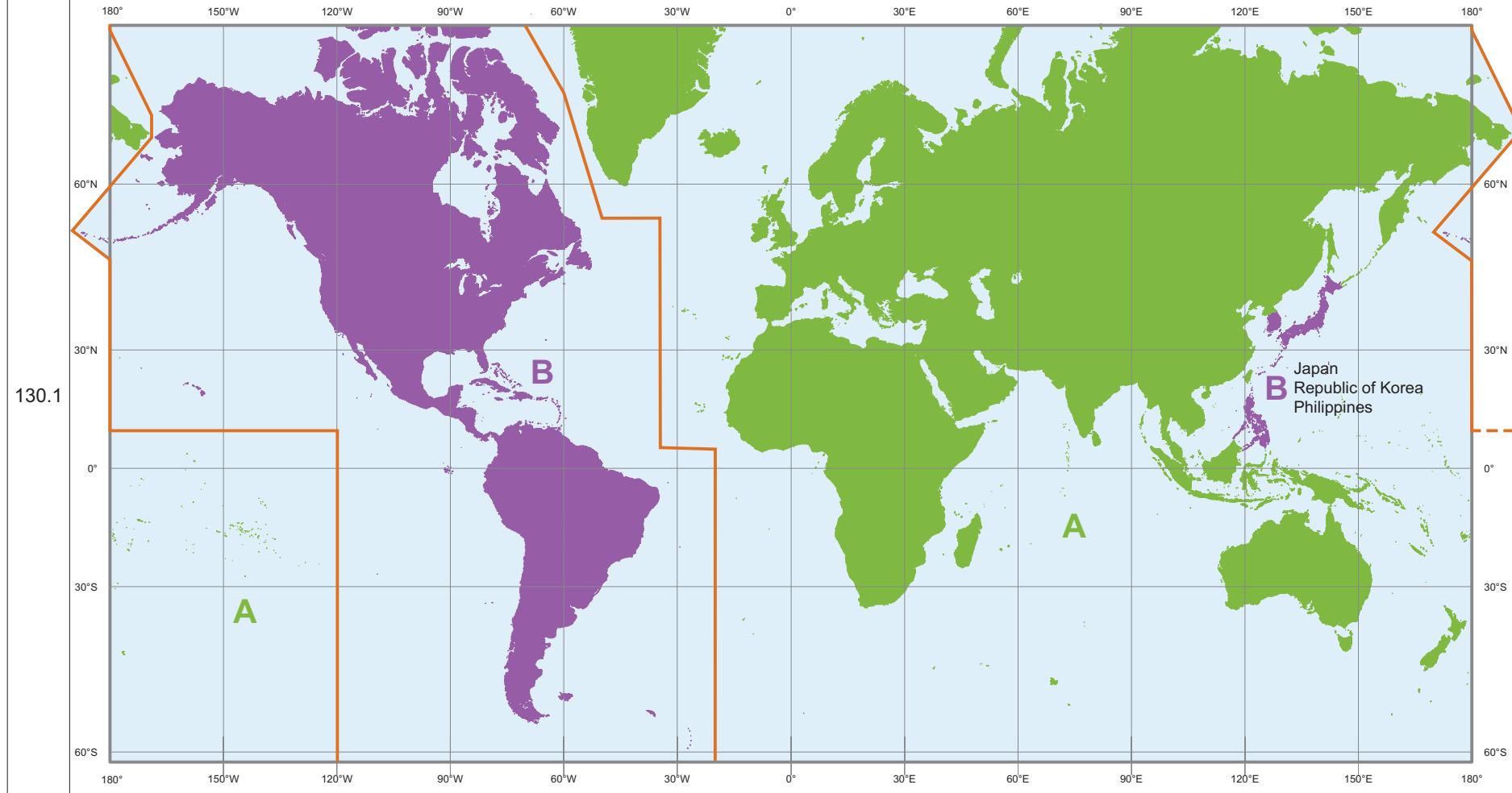
IALA Maritime Buoyage System

IALA International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities

Where in force, the IALA System applies to all fixed and floating marks except landfall lights, leading lights and marks, sectoried lights and major floating lights. The standard buoy shapes are cylindrical (can)  , conical  , spherical  , pillar  , and spar  , but variations may occur, for example: light floats  . In the illustrations in Q 130.1, only the standard buoy shapes are used. In the case of fixed beacons (lit or unlit), only the shape of the topmark is of navigational significance. Lateral marks are generally for well-defined channels.

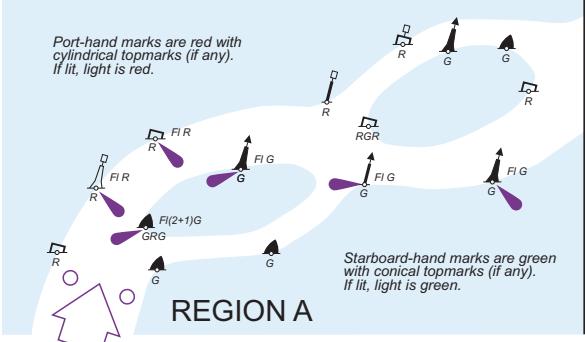
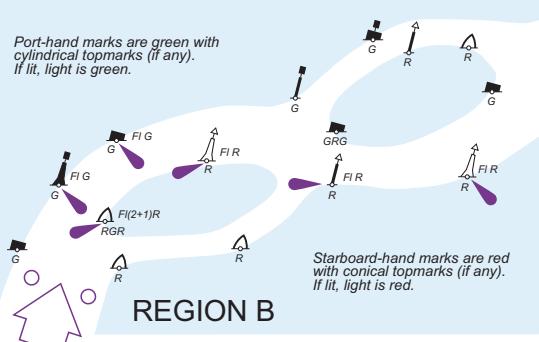
130 There are two international buoyage regions where lateral marks differ. Region A is primarily comprised of the waters surrounding Greenland, Africa, Europe, Australia and Asia (except for Japan, the Republic of Korea and the Philippines). Region B is primarily comprised of the waters surrounding North and South America, Japan, the Republic of Korea and the Philippines.

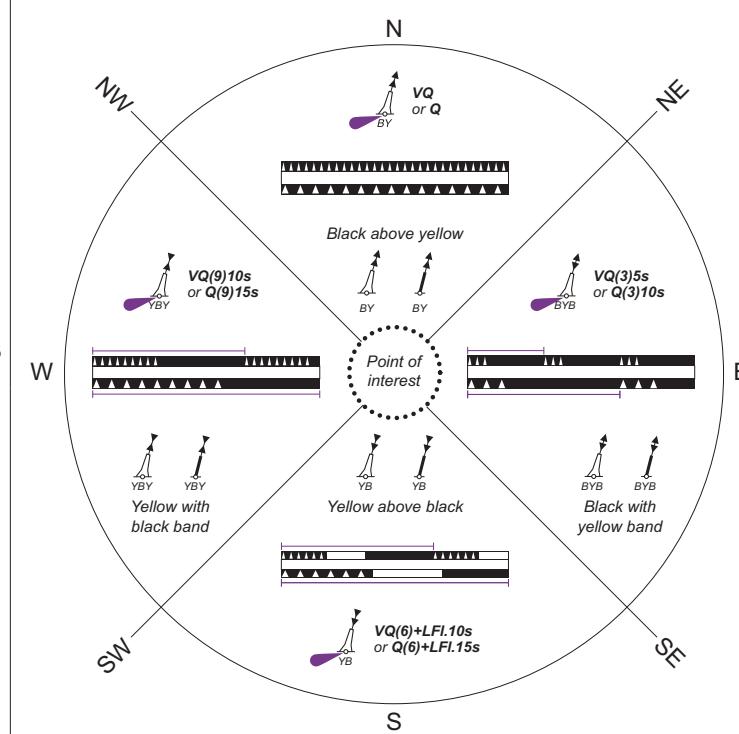
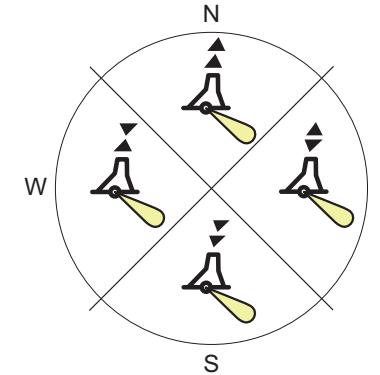
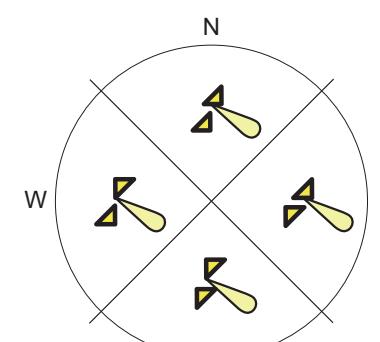
ECDIS marks the boundary between IALA regions A and B with this symbol: 



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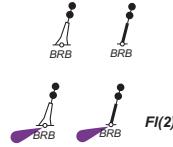
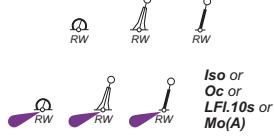
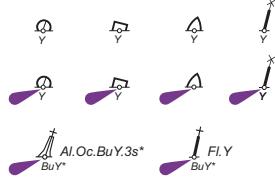
Buoys, Beacons

INT	 <p>Port-hand marks are red with cylindrical topmarks (if any). If lit, light is red.</p> <p>Starboard-hand marks are green with conical topmarks (if any). If lit, light is green.</p> <p>REGION A</p>	 <p>Port-hand marks are green with cylindrical topmarks (if any). If lit, light is green.</p> <p>Starboard-hand marks are red with conical topmarks (if any). If lit, light is red.</p> <p>REGION B</p>	If lit, lights on port-hand and starboard-hand marks may have any rhythm specified except Fl(2+1), which is used for preferred channel aids.	
130.1			All preferred channel marks have horizontal bands of color; the top color indicates the preferred channel.	
<p>Port-hand marks are red with cylindrical topmarks (if any). If lit, light is red.</p> <p>Starboard-hand marks are green with conical topmarks (if any). If lit, light is green.</p> <p>REGION A</p> <p>Port-hand marks are green with cylindrical topmarks (if any). If lit, light is green.</p> <p>Starboard-hand marks are red with conical topmarks (if any). If lit, light is red.</p> <p>REGION B</p>				
NOAA			A preferred channel buoy may be a can or conical shape to indicate the preferred channel (in addition to the top color band), but may also have a pillar or spar shape.	
130.2		<p>Symbols showing direction of buoyage where it is not obvious</p> <p>General symbol for direction of buoyage</p> 	<p>IALA Region A on multicolored charts</p> 	<p>IALA Region B on multicolored charts</p> 
ECDIS	<p>General symbol for direction of buoyage</p> 	<p>IALA Region A</p> 	<p>IALA Region B</p> 	

No.	INT	ECDIS
130.3	<p>Cardinal Marks: indicating navigable water to the named side of the marks. In the illustration below all marks are the same in Regions A and B.</p>  <p>Topmark: 2 black cones Light: White</p> <p>The same abbreviations are used for lights on spar buoys and beacons. The periods 5s, 10s, and 15s may not always be charted.</p> <p>Time (seconds) 0 5 10 15 Period</p> <p>Cardinal marks are seldom used in U.S. waters and do not appear on NOAA charts, except for charts that also depict Canadian waters.</p>	 <p>Paper chart symbology</p>  <p>Simplified symbology</p>

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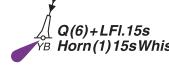
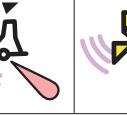
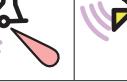
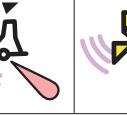
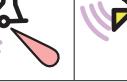
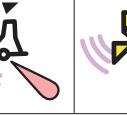
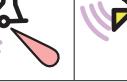
Buoys, Beacons

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
130.4	 F(2)	Isolated Danger Marks stationed over dangers with navigable water around them Body: black with red horizontal band(s) Topmark: 2 black spheres Light: white				  	Pillar buoy with 2 spheres topmark Spar buoy with 2 spheres topmark Isolated danger buoy, simplified
						   	Spherical buoy, paper chart Pillar buoy with sphere topmark Spar buoy with sphere topmark Safe water buoy, simplified
	 Iso or Oc or LFl.10s or Mo(A)	Safe Water Marks such as mid-channel and landfall marks Body: red and white vertical stripes Topmark (if any): red sphere Light: white				    	Spherical buoy, paper chart Can buoy Conical buoy Spar buoy with x-shape topmark Special purpose buoy, simplified
130.6	 Al.Oc.BuY.3s* Fl.Y BuY*	Special Marks not primarily to assist navigation but to indicate special features Body (shape optional): yellow* Topmark (if any): yellow x or upright cross Lights: yellow, rhythm optional* *in special cases yellow may be in conjunction with another color					

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Supplementary National Symbols						
a		Bell buoy				
b		Gong buoy				
c		Whistle buoy				
d		Fairway buoy (red and white vertical stripe)				
e		Mid-channel buoy (red and white vertical stripe)				
f		Starboard-hand buoy (entering from seaward - US waters)				
g		Port-hand buoy (entering from seaward - US waters)				
h		Bifurcation/Junction buoys				
		Isolated danger, Wreck or Obstruction buoy				
i		Fish trap (area) buoy				
j		Anchorage buoy (marks limits)				
l		Triangular shaped beacons				
		Square shaped beacons				
		Beacon, color unknown				
o		Lighted beacon				
q		Security barrier				
r		Scientific mooring buoy				
s		Float (unlighted)				
t		White and blue buoy				

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Fog Signals

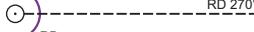
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General										
Fog Detector Light → P Fog Light → P										
1		Position of fog signal, type of fog signal not stated	Fog Sig 			  				
Types of Fog Signals, with Abbreviations										
10	Explos	Explosive	GUN			 Type of fog signal and its characteristics are obtained by cursor pick				
11	Dia	Diaphone	DIA							
12	Siren	Siren	SIREN							
13	Horn	Horn (nautophone, reed, tyfon)	HORN							
14	Bell	Bell	BELL							
15	Whis	Whistle	WHISTLE							
16	Gong	Gong	GONG							
Examples of Fog Signal Descriptions										
Note: The fog signal symbol will usually be omitted when a description of the signal is given.										
20		Siren at a lighthouse, giving a long blast followed by a short one (N), repeated every 60 seconds	 Fl 3s 70m 29M SIREN Mo(N) 60s	 Fl 3s 70m 29M SIREN						
21	 Bell	Wave-actuated bell buoy	 BELL	 BELL						
22		Light buoy, with horn giving a single blast every 15 seconds, in conjunction with a wave-actuated whistle	 Q(6)+LFI 15s HORN(1) 15s WHIS	 Q(6)+LFI 15s HORN WHIS		<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Paper Chart</td> <td>Simplified</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	Paper Chart	Simplified		
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a		Morse Code fog signal	Mo							

Radar, Radio, Satellite Navigation Systems

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No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Radar						
Radar Structures Forming Landmarks → E Radar Surveillance Systems → M						
1		Coast radar station, providing range and bearing service on request				Radio station
2		Ramark, radar beacon transmitting continuously				
3.1		Radar transponder beacon, with morse identification, responding within the 3 cm (X) band				
3.2		Radar transponder beacon, with morse identification, responding within the 10 cm (S) band				
3.3		Radar transponder beacon, with morse identification				
3.4		Radar transponder beacon with sector of obscured reception				Radar transponder beacon
3.4		Radar transponder beacon with sector of reception				
3.5		Leading radar transponder beacons (‡: objects in line)				
3.5		Leading radar transponder beacons coincident with leading lights				
3.6		Radar transponder beacons on floating marks	RACON (-) R 2" Fl R 4s			Paper Chart Simplified
4		Radar reflector	Ra Ref	!		
5		Radar conspicuous feature	Ra (conspic)			Symbol indicating this object is radar conspicuous

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No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Radio						
Radio Structures Forming Landmarks → E Radio Reporting (Calling-in or Way) points → M						
10	 Name RC	Circular (non-directional) marine or aeromarine radiobeacon	 RC	 R Bn		
11	 RD 269.5°	Directional radiobeacon with bearing line	 RD	RD 270°		
11	 RD 270°	Directional radiobeacon coincident with leading lights				
12	 RW	Rotating pattern radiobeacon	 RW			
13	Consol	Consol beacon	 CONSOL Bn 190 kHz MMF	 CONSOL		
14	 RG	Radio direction-finding station	 RDF			
15	 R	Coast radio station providing QTG service	 R Sta	 R		
16	Aero RC	Aeronautical radiobeacon	 AERO R Bn			
17.1	 AIS	Automatic Identification System transmitter				
17.2	 AIS  AIS	Automatic Identification System transmitter on floating marks (examples)				
18.1	 V-AIS	Virtual AIS (with unknown IALA-defined function)				
18.2	 V-AIS	Virtual AIS (with known IALA-defined function)			 V-AIS	North cardinal virtual aid
Satellite Navigation Systems						
50	WGS WGS72 WGS84	World Geodetic System, 1972 or 1984				
	Note: A note may be shown to indicate the shifts of latitude and longitude, to one, two or three decimal places of a minute, depending on the chart scale, which should be made to satellite-derived positions (which are referred to WGS 84) to relate them to the chart.					
51	 DGPS	Station providing DGPS corrections			 DGPS	DGPS reference station

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS
Pilotage						
1.1	❶	Boarding place, position of a pilot cruising vessel	❶ Pilots			Pilot boarding place
1.2	❶ Name	Boarding place, position of a pilot cruising vessel, with name (e.g. District, Port)		❶ Name		
1.3	❶ Note	Boarding place, position of a pilot cruising vessel, with note (e.g. Tanker, Disembarkation)		❶ (see note)		Pilot boarding area
1.4	❶ H	Pilots transferred by helicopter				
2	† ■ Pilot Lookout	Pilot office with pilot lookout, Pilot lookout station				
3	■ Pilots	Pilot office	● PIL STA	■ Pilots		
4	Port name (Pilots)	Port with pilotage service (boarding place not shown)				
Coast Guard, Rescue						
10	■ CG ○ CG ⚭ CG	Coast Guard station			■ CG	Coast guard station
11	■ CG ⚫ ○ CG ⚫ ⚭ CG ⚫	Coast Guard station with Rescue station			■ CG	Coast guard station Rescue station
12	◆	Rescue station, Lifeboat station, Rocket station			◆	Rescue station
13	◆	Lifeboat lying at a mooring			◆	
14	Ref	Refuge for shipwrecked mariners				
Signal Stations						
20	○ SS	Signal station in general	● ss	● Sig Sta		
21	○ SS (INT)	Signal station, showing international port traffic signals			● SS	Signal station
22	○ SS (Traffic)	Traffic signal station, Port entry and departure signals				
23	○ SS (Port Control)	Port control signal station	○ HECP			

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Services

No.	INT	Description	NOAA	NGA	Other NGA	ECDIS	
24	◎ SS (Lock)	Lock signal station					
25.1	◎ SS (Bridge)	Bridge passage signal station					
25.2	+ ⚡ F Traffic-Sig	Bridge lights including traffic signals					
26	◎ SS	Distress signal station					
27	◎ SS	Telegraph station					
28	◎ SS (Storm)	Storm signal station	S Sig Sta				
29	◎ SS (Weather)	Weather signal station, Wind signal station, National Weather Service (NWS) signal station	● NWS SIG STA				
30	◎ SS (Ice)	Ice signal station					
31	◎ SS (Time)	Time signal station					
32.1	‡	Tide scale or gauge		○ Tide Gauge			
32.2	◎ Tide Gauge	Automatically recording tide gauge					
33	◎ SS (Tide)	Tide signal station					
34	◎ SS (Stream)	Tidal stream signal station					
35	◎ SS (Danger)	Danger signal station					
36	◎ SS (Firing)	Firing practice signal station					

Supplementary National Symbols

a	Bell (on land)	○ BELL				
b	Marine police station	○ MARINE POLICE				
c	Fireboat station	○ FIREBOAT STATION				
d	Notice board	■				
e	Lookout station; Watch tower	○ LOOK TR				
f	Semaphore	Sem				
g	Park Ranger station	●				

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Signal station

Small Craft (Leisure) Facilities

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abt.	About	D i
AERO, Aero	Aeronautical light	P 60-61.1
Aero R Bn	Aeronautical radiobeacon	S 16
Aero RC	Aeronautical radiobeacon	S 16
AIS	Automatic Identification System	S 17.1-17.2
AI	Alternating	P 10.11
ALC	Articulated Loading Column	L 12
Am	Amber	P 11.8
anc	Ancient	
ANCH, Anch	Anchorage	N 20
ANT, Ant	Antenna	E 31
approx.	Approximate	
Apprs	Approaches	
Apr	April	
Apt	Apartment	E s
Arch	Archipelago	
ASL	Archipelagic Sea Lane	M 17
ATBA	Area To Be Avoided	M 29.1
Aug	August	
auth.	Authorized	K 46.2
Ave	Avenue	

B

B	Bay, bayou	
B	Black	Q 2
Bdy Mon	Boundary mark (monument)	B 24
Bk	Bank	
bk	Black	J as
bk	Broken	J 33
Bkw	Breakwater	F 4.1
Bl	Blue	P 11.4
bl	Black	J as
BM	Bench mark	B 23
Bn, Bns	Beacon(s)	M 2, P 4-5, Q 80-81
BnTr, BnTrs	Beacon tower(s)	P 3, Q 110
Bo	Boulder(s)	J 9.2
Bol	Bollard	
Br	Breakers	K 17
br	Brown	J az
brg	Bearing	B 62
brk	Broken	J 33
Bu	Blue	P 11.4

C

C	Can, cylindrical	Q 21
C	Cape	
C	Cove	
c	Coarse	J 32
Ca, ca	Calcareous	J 38
CALM	Catenary Anchor Leg Mooring	L 16
Cap	Capitol	E t
Cas	Castle	E 34.2
Cb	Cobbles	J 8
cbl	Cable	B 46
cd	Candela	B 54
Cem	Cemetery	E 19
CG	Coast Guard station	T 10
Ch	Chocolate	J ba
Ch	Church	E 10.1
Chan	Channel	
Chem	Chemical	L 40.1-40.2
CHY, Chy, Chys	Chimney(s)	E 22
Cir	Cirripedia	J ae
Ck	Chalk	J f
CL	Clearance	D 20-21, 26, 28
Cl	Clay	J 3
cm	Centimeter(s)	B 43
Cn	Cinders	J p
Co	Company	E u
Co	Coralline Algae	J 10, K 16
Co Hd	Coral Head	J i
Co rf	Coral reef	
COLREGS	International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea	N a
Consol	Consol Beacon	S 13
constr	Construction	F 32
Corp	Corporation	E v
cov	Covers	L 21.2
cps	Cycles per second	B j
Cr	Creek	
CRD	Columbia River Datum	H j
crs	Coarse	J 32
c/s	Cycles per second	B j
Cswy	Causeway	F 3
Ct Ho	Courthouse	E o
Cup	Cupola	E 10.4
Cus Ho	Customs house	F 61
Cy	Clay	J 3

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D	
D.....	.Destroyed.....
dec.....	.Decayed.....
Dec.....	.December.....
Deg.....	.Degree(s).....
Destr.....	.Destroyed.....
dev.....	.Deviation.....
DF.....	.Direction Finder.....
DG.....	.Degaussing Range.....
DGPS.....	.Differential Global Positioning System.....
Di.....	.Diatoms.....
DIA, Dia.....	.Diaphone.....
Dir......	.Direction light.....
Discol.....	.Discolored.....
dist.....	.Distant.....
dk.....	.Dark.....
dm.....	.Decimeter(s).....
Dn, Dns.....	.Dolphin(s).....
Dol.....	.Dolphin(s).....
DW.....	.Deep Water route.....
DZ.....	.Danger Zone.....
E	
E.....	.East.....
ED.....	.Existence Doubtful.....
EEZ.....	.Exclusive Economic Zone.....
Entr.....	.Entrance.....
ESSA.....	.Environmentally Sensitive Sea Area.....
Est.....	.Estuary.....
exper.....	.Experimental.....
Explos.....	.Explosive.....
Exting, exting.....	.Extinguished.....
F	
F.....	.Fixed.....
f.....	.Fine.....
F Fl.....	.Fixed and flashing.....
F Gp Fl.....	.Fixed and Group Flashing.....
Facty.....	.Factory.....
FAD.....	.Fish Aggregating Device.....
Fd.....	.Fjord.....
Feb.....	.February.....
FISH.....	.Fishing.....
Fl.....	.Flashing.....
fl.....	.Flood.....
Fla.....	.Flare stack.....

fly.....	.Flinty.....	Jao
fm, fms.....	.Fathom(s).....	B 48
fne.....	.Fine.....	J 30
Fog Det Lt.....	.Fog detector light.....	P 62
Fog Sig.....	.Fog Signal.....	R 1
FP.....	.Flagpole.....	E 27
FPSO.....	.Floating Production, Storage and Offloading Vessel.....	L 17
Fr.....	.Foraminifera.....	Jy
Fs, FS.....	.Flagstaff.....	E 27
Fsh stks.....	.Fishing stakes.....	K 44.1
FT, ft.....	.Foot, Feet.....	B 47, D 20
Fu.....	.Fucus.....	J af
G		
G.....	.Gravel.....	J 6
G.....	.Green.....	P 11.3, Q 2
G.....	.Gulf.....	
GAB, Gab.....	.Gable.....	E i
GCLWD.....	.Gulf Coast Low Water Datum.....	H k
GI.....	.Globigerina.....	J z
glac.....	.Glacial.....	J ap
gn.....	.Green.....	J av
Govt Ho.....	.Government House.....	E m
Gp Fl.....	.Group flashing.....	P 10.4
Gp Oc.....	.Group occulting.....	P 10.2
GPS.....	.Global Positioning System.....	
Grd.....	.Ground.....	Ja
Grs.....	.Grass.....	J v
grt.....	.Gross Register Tonnage.....	
GT.....	.Gross Tonnage.....	
gty.....	.Gritty.....	J am
gy.....	.Gray.....	J bb
H		
H.....	.Helicopter.....	T 1.4
h.....	.Hard.....	J 39
h.....	.Hour.....	B 49
HAT.....	.Highest Astronomical Tide.....	H 3
Hbr Mr.....	.Harbormaster.....	F 60
HHW.....	.Higher High Water.....	H b
Hk.....	.Hulk.....	F34, K 21, 22
Ho.....	.House.....	
horHorizontally disposed.....	P 15
Hor CL.....	.Horizontal clearance.....	D 21
Hosp.....	.Hospital.....	E g, F 62.2
hr.....	.Hour.....	B 49

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hrd	.Hard	J 39
ht.	.Height	H p
HW	.High Water	H a
HWF&C	.High Water Full & Change	H h
Hz	.Hertz	B g
I		
IALA	.International Association of Lighthouse Authorities*	Q 130
IHO	.International Hydrographic Organization	
illum	.Illuminated	P 63
IMO	.International Maritime Organization	
In.	.Inlet	
in, ins	.Inch(es)	B c
Inst	.Institute	E n
INT	.International	A 2, T 21
Intens	.Intensified	P 46
IQ	.Interrupted quick	P 10.6
ISLW	.Indian Spring Low Water	H g
Iso	.Isophase	P 10.3
ITZ	.Inshore Traffic Zone	M 25.1
IUQ	.Interrupted ultra quick	P 10.8
IVQ	.Interrupted very quick	P 10.7
J		
Jan	.January	
Jul	.July	
Jun	.June	
K		
K	.Kelp	J u
kc	.Kilocycle	B k
kHz	.Kilohertz	B h
km	.Kilometer(s)	B 40
kn	.Knot(s)	B 52
L		
L	.Lake, loch, lough	
L Fl	.Long-flashing	P 10.5
La	.Lava	J I
Lag	.Lagoon	
LANBY	.Large Automatic Navigational Buoy	P 6
LASH	.Lighter Aboard Ship	
LAT	.Lowest Astronomical Tide	H 2
Lat	.Latitude	B 1
Ldg	.Landing	F 17
Ldg	.Leading Lights	P 20.3

Le	.Ledge	
LLW	.Lower Low Water	H e
Lndg	.Landing for boats	F 17
LNG	.Liquefied Natural Gas	
LoLo	.Load-on, Load-off	
Long	.Longitude	B 2
LPG	.Liquefied Petroleum Gas	
Lrg	.Large	J ai
LS S	.Life saving station	T 12
It	.Light	J bc
Lt Ho	.Light house	P 1
Lt, Lt(s)	.Light(s)	P 1
Ltd	.Limited	E r
LW	.Low Water	H c
LWD	.Low Water Datum	H d
LWF&C	.Low Water Full and Change	H i
M		
M	.Mud, muddy	J 2
M.	.Nautical mile(s)	B 45
m	.Medium (in relation to sand)	J 31
m	.Meter(s)	B 41
m	.Minute(s) of time	B 50
Ma	.Mattes	J ag
mag	.Magnetic	B 61
Magz	.Magazine	E I
Maintd	.Maintained	P 65
Mar	.March	
Mc	.Megacycles	B l
Mds	.Madrepores	J j
MHHW	.Mean Higher High Water	H 13
MHLW	.Mean Higher Low Water	H 14
MHW	.Mean High Water	H 5
MHWN	.Mean High Water Neaps	H 11
MHWS	.Mean High Water Springs	H 9
Mi	.Nautical mile(s)	B 45
min	.Minimum	K 46.2
min	.Minute(s) of time	B 50
Mk	.Mark	Q 101
MI	.Marl	J c
MLHW	.Mean Lower High Water	H 15
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MR	Marine Reserve	N 22
MRCC	Maritime Rescue and Coordination Center	
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MSL	Mean Sea Level	H 6
Mt	Mountain, Mount	
Mth	Mouth	
MTL	Mean Tide Level	H f
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NGA	National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency	
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NMi	Nautical miles(s)	B 45
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NOS	National Ocean Service	
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RG	. Radio direction finding station	S 14
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Rky	.Rocky	J 9.1
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vel.	Velocity	H n
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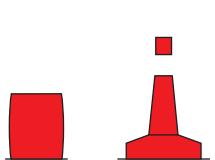
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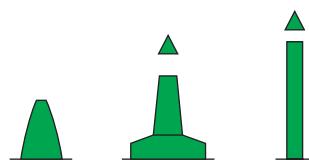
Appendix 1 IALA Maritime Buoyage System

Region A Lateral Marks

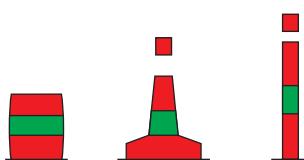
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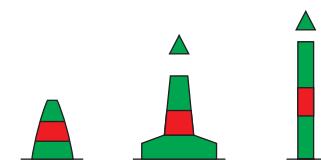
Starboard Hand



Preferred Channel
to Starboard



Preferred Channel
to Port



	red	Color	green
cylindrical (can), pillar, spar	Buoy	conical (nun), pillar, spar	
single red cylinder (can)	Topmark (if any)	single green cone, point upward	

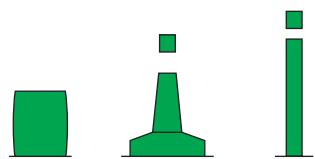
red with one green horizontal band	Color	green with one red horizontal band
cylindrical (can), pillar, spar	Buoy	conical (nun), pillar, spar
single red cylinder (can)	Topmark (if any)	single green cone, point upward

Lights (if any): may have any phase characteristic other than that used for preferred channels			
	Quick Flashing		
	Flashing		
	Long Flashing		
	Group Flashing		

Lights (if any): are composite group flashing		
	Fl (2+1)	

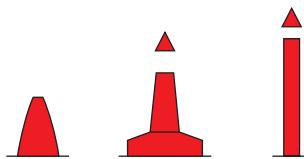
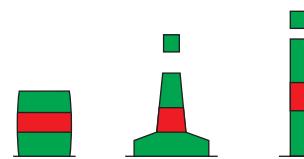
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Lateral Marks**

Port Hand

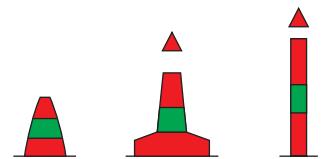


BUOYAGE DIRECTION

Starboard Hand

Preferred Channel
to Starboard

BUOYAGE DIRECTION

Preferred Channel
to Port

green	Color	red
cylindrical (can), pillar, spar	Buoy	conical (nun), pillar, spar
single green cylinder (can)	Topmark (if any)	single red cone, point upward

green with one red horizontal band	Color	red with one green horizontal band
cylindrical (can), pillar, spar	Buoy	conical (nun), pillar, spar
single green cylinder (can)	Topmark (if any)	single red cone, point upward

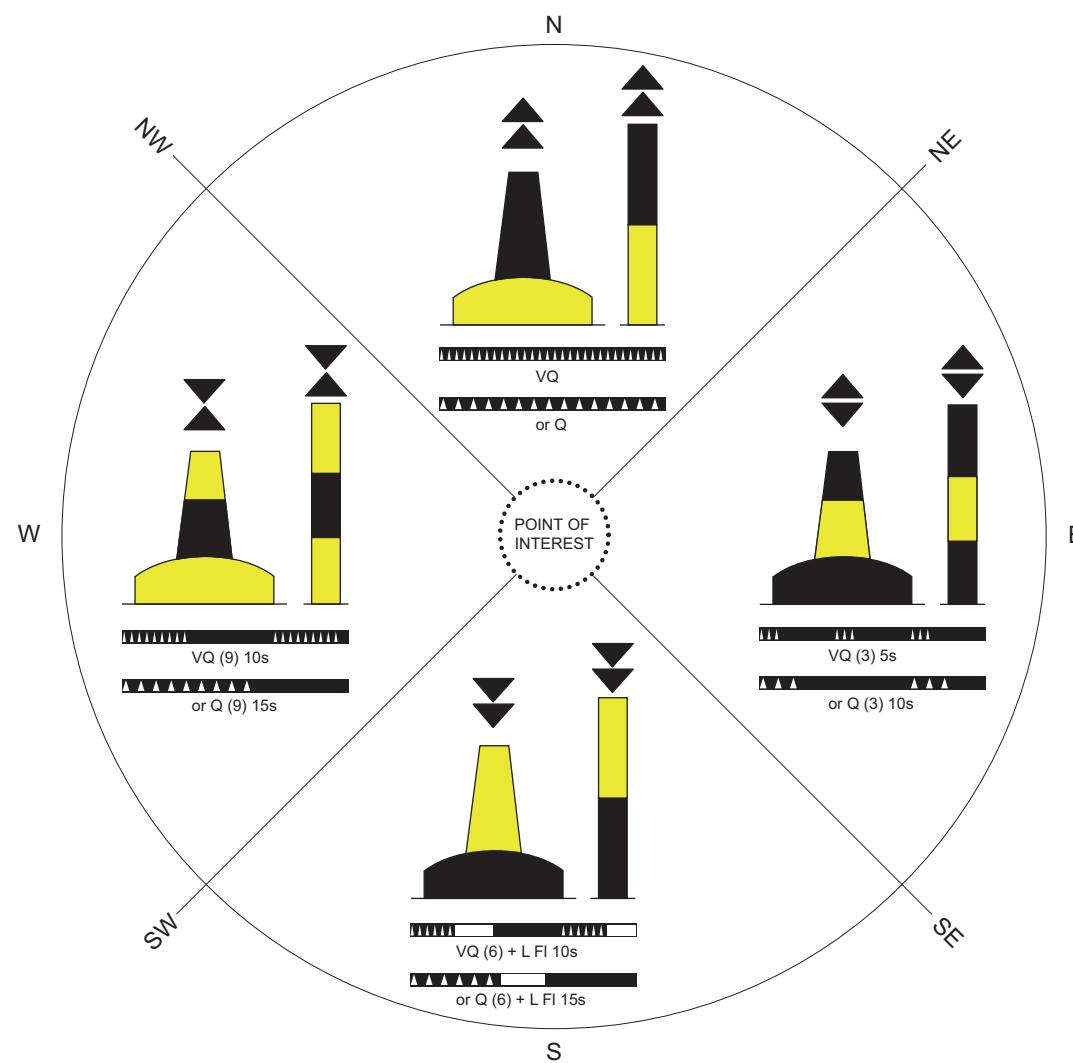
Lights (if any): may have any phase characteristic other than that used for preferred channels			
	Quick Flashing		
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Lights (if any): are composite group flashing			
	Fl (2+1)		

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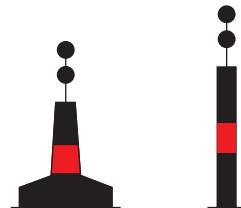
Cardinal Marks in Regions A and B

Lights, when fitted, are white.

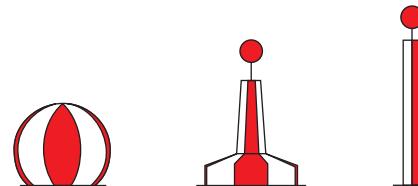


Regions A and B

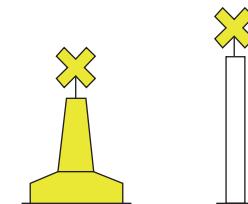
Isolated Danger Marks



Safe Water Marks



Special Marks



Color	black with one or more red horizontal band(s)
Buoy	optional, but not conflicting with lateral marks; pillar or spar preferred
Topmark (if any)	always fitted with double spheres

Color	red and white vertical stripes
Buoy	spherical, pillar or spar
Topmark (if any)	single red sphere

Color	yellow
Buoy	optional, but not conflicting with lateral marks
Topmark (if any)	single yellow "X" shape

Lights (if any)	
Color	white
Rhythm	group flashing

Lights (if any)	
Color	white
Rhythm	Iso
	Oc
	L Fl 10s
	Morse "A"

Lights (if any)		
Color	yellow	
Rhythm	Fl Y	
	Fl (4) Y	
	May have any rhythm other than those used for white lights on cardinal, isolated danger or safe water marks.	

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