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Ice on the North Sea coast is decreasing.

North Sea coast

In the Northfrisian Wadden Sea there is thin ice in some sheltered areas, near Eiderdamm and in the harbours of Amrum, Büsum, Dagebüll and Tönning the ice is 5-15 cm thick, ranging from very open to very close.

Western Baltic Sea

On the Schlei there is close, about 10 cm thick ice near Schleswig, else very open new ice occurs, in places. Some new ice is still present in sheltered areas of the harbours of Wismar and Rostock as well as on Unterwarnow. The Bodden waters south of Darß and Zingst are covered with thin ice.

Southern Baltic Sea

The northern fairway to Stralsund is covered with close to compact, 5-10 cm thick ice. On the fairway to Hiddensee there is open ice, 5 cm thick. In the eastern fairway to Stralsund there is close, 5-10 cm thick ice between Stralsund and Palmer Ort. In the Greifswalder Bodden there is open to very close, up to 10 cm thick ice in sheltered regions near the coasts. On the Peenestrom there is up to 10 cm thick ice, from close ice near Peenemünde and Ruden to compact ice south of Wolgast. In the Kleines Haff there is very close to compact ice, partly rafted and up to 10 cm thick.

Outlook

Further ice decrease on the North Sea coast and partly in the western part. Else, wind-induced changes of the ice conditions will predominate due to increasing winds from the north during the next two days. Ice compacting is expected on the windward coasts.

Restrictions: Only daytime navigation is allowed in approaches to Stralsund and Wolgast as well as to the harbours in Greifswalder Bodden, to Kleinen Haff and Peenestrom.

The next German Ice Report will be issued on Monday, 13th December

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