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Ice formation in the inner coastal waters of the German North Sea and Baltic Sea continues.

North Sea

In the Northfrisian Wadden Sea there is new ice and ice formation in the ports and sheltered areas.

Western Baltic Sea

The innermost Schlei is covered with 5 cm thick ice, farther out to Schleimünde there is close new ice. In the ports of Flensburg and Heiligenhafen as well as in the inner harbour of Kiel there is up to 5 cm thick ice or new ice. Very close new ice occurs in the port of Neustadt and new ice is forming in the Bay of Neustadt. At Rostock there is in the city port and on Unterwarnow very close to compact new ice, in the sea ports open water. In the Bodden waters south of Darß and Zingst there is very close to compact, partly rafted, up to 7 cm thick ice.

Southern Baltic Sea

In the northern approach to Stralsund and east of Hiddensee there is mostly 5-10 cm thick fast ice, on the fairway Schaprode – Hiddensee close 5-10 cm thick ice occurs. In the eastern approach to Stralsund there is compact, partly rafted 5-10 cm thick ice from Stralsund port to Palmer Ort and farther out to Freesendorfer Haken. In Osttief compact new ice occurs. In the Greifswalder Bodden there is 5-15 cm thick fast ice along the northern coast and in the Dänische Wiek, else compact thin ice or new ice occurs in the Bodden, also in the outer areas. New ice and pancake ice is present in the port of Sassnitz and new ice is forming farther out. On the northern Peenestrom there is compact new ice to Ruden. Southern Peenestrom is covered with thin ice. In the Kleines Haff there is very close, up to 10 cm thick ice. In the Pomeranian Bight there is close 5-10 cm thick ice close to the coast of Usedom.

Outlook

Ice formation will continue for another two to three days. New ice will form also off the outer coasts of Darß/Zingst, Rügen and Usedom.

Restrictions to navigation

To Stralsund, Wolgast and the harbours in the Greifswalder Bodden only daytime navigation with pilot is allowed.

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