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Ice growth in sheltered coastal waters continues.

North Sea coast

In the Northfrisian Wadden Sea there is new ice in some harbours and shallow areas. Near Eiderdamm open thin ice occurs. In the harbour of Tönning there is about 10 cm thick fast ice. In the harbour of Hamburg and on the Elbe there is very open to open new ice and ice formation. In the Eastfrisian Wadden Sea there is new ice, in places.

Western Baltic Sea

In the inner Schlei there is open new ice, between Kappeln and Schleimünde single new ice floes are drifting. In the harbour of Eckernförde and in the inner harbour of Kiel there is minor new ice. Very close, about 5 cm thick ice occurs in the harbour of Neustadt, farther seawards there is close shuga and slush. On the Trave there is very open thin ice, in the harbour of Travemünde open water. In the harbour of Wismar very open new ice, in the Wismar-Bight up to Timmendorf very close to open new ice occurs. Unterwarnow is covered with thin ice. The Bodden waters south of Darß and Zingst are covered with up to 9 cm thick ice.

Southern Baltic Sea

The Bodden waters between Rügen and Hiddensee are covered with 5-10 cm thick ice. In the harbour of Stralsund and on the eastern approach to Stralsund there is close to open new ice. In the southern part of the Greifswalder Bodden there is very close 2-15 cm thick ice in sheltered regions, at the northern coast thin ice occurs. On the northern Peenestrom there is new ice from Wolgast to Ruden. Southern Peenestrom and Kleines Haff are covered with 5-10 cm thick ice.

Outlook

Ice formation will continue and intensify. During the week-end new ice may form at the outer coasts and in the Pomeranian Bight.

Restrictions

The northern approach to Stralsund and Bodden waters south of Darß and Zingst are closed for navigation.

Only daytime navigation is allowed in the eastern approach to Stralsund and in approaches to Wolgast as well as to the harbours in Greifswalder Bodden and Kleines Haff.

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