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Since yesterday, ice has further increased in the eastern inner coastal areas.

**Western Baltic Sea**

On the inner Schlei there is open water. The Bodden waters south of Darß and Zingst are covered with up to 7 cm thick ice.

**Southern Baltic Sea**

The northern fairway to Stralsund is covered with 5-10 cm thick ice; navigation is difficult for unstrengthened or low-powered vessels. In the Bodden waters between Hiddensee and Rügen there is close to very close, 5-10 cm thick ice, partly rafted: on the fairway there is brash ice. On the eastern fairway to Stralsund new ice may occur between Stralsund and Palmer Ort. In the Greifswalder Bodden there is close to very close thin ice and new ice in sheltered regions near the coast, in the harbour of Greifswald-Ladebow about 10 cm thick fast and drift ice occurs. On the northern Peenestrom there is close thin ice and new ice. Southern Peenestrom is covered with 5-10 cm thick ice. Along the northern and southern coasts of the Kleines Haff there is consolidated 5-10 cm thick ice, farther off new ice may occur.

**Outlook**

Ice formation in all areas will be interrupted today due to milder air flowing from the southwest. Ice decrease and ice compacting on the windward coasts is expected within the next three days.

**The next German Ice Report will be issued on Wednesday, December, 26.**

***We wish our readers a  
Merry Christmas***

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