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The ice has further retreated, and the remaining ice is present mostly in the eastern section.

Western Baltic Sea

In the Bodden waters south of Darß and Zingst there are rotten ice remnants, in places.

Southern Baltic Sea

In the Bodden waters between Hiddensee and Rügen as well as in the waters north of Stralsund there is thin rotten ice in the sheltered bays, on the fairways there is mostly open water. From Stralsund Port to Freesendorfer Haken there is open water on the fairway. In the Greifswalder Bodden there is very open to close, 5-15 cm thick rotten ice near the coasts. The southern Peenestrom is mostly covered with compact, about 5 cm thick, rotten ice, only in the southernmost part there is open water. On the northern Peenestrom open water occurs to Peenemünde. In the Kleines Haff there is open water in the south and compact, partly rafted, thin ice at the northern coast.

Outlook

At air temperatures around the freezing point, ice retreat will continue only slowly.

Restrictions to navigation

From 24.01.2013 18:00: Northern approach to Stralsund (including Bodden waters south of Darß and Zingst), southern Peenestrom and Kleines Haff are closed for navigation.

From 25.01.2013 00:00: 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.

The next German Ice Report will be issued on Monday, February, 04.

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