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Ice retreat in the eastern coastal waters continues.

Western Baltic Sea

In the port of Neustadt and close to the coast of the Neustadt Bight there are rotten ice remnants. The bodden waters south of Darß and Zingst are covered with 5-10 cm thick ice; there are open areas in places and puddles on the ice.

Southern Baltic Sea

The bodden waters between Hiddensee and Rügen are covered by 5-10 cm thick ice with open areas in places and puddles on the ice. In the port of Stralsund and farther out to Palmer Ort there is open to close 5-10 thick ice. Very close ice occurs also at Palmer Ort and south-eastwards of it, farther out on the fairway up to Freesendorfer Haken there is mostly open water. In the harbours of Sassnitz and Mukran there is open to very open 5-10 cm thick brash ice. In the Bight of Greifswald there is very open to close 5-10 cm thick ice in the harbours Greifswald-Wieck and Greifswald-Ladebow, in the Dänische Wiek close, about 7 cm thick, rotten ice occurs; in the northern half of the Bight very close to close 5-15 cm thick ice is present, in the southern half here is mostly open water. On the northern Peenestrom there is close to open 5-10 thick ice. Southern Peenestrom and Kleines Haff are covered by 5-15 cm thick fast ice with some open areas and puddles on the ice.

Outlook

At air temperatures between 0 and 10 °C and moderate winds from south-westerly to southerly directions ice retreat in the eastern coastal waters will continue and accelerate during the next four days.

Restrictions to navigation

Only daytime navigation is allowed in the eastern approach to Stralsund, in the Bight of Greifswald, and on the northern Peenestrom. Begin and end of daytime navigation can be obtained on VHF or by phone: Warnemünde traffic centre, Stralsund traffic channel 67 or by phone +4938120671843 and Wolgast traffic channel 09 or by phone +4938120671844.

From 30.01.2014: Northern approach to Stralsund (including bodden waters west), inner bodden waters of Rügen, southern Peenestrom and Kleines Haff are closed to navigation.

Current ice chart of the German Baltic Sea coast

http://www.bsh.de/aktdat/wvd/Eisdienst/Deutsche_Ostseekueste.pdf

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