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Ice retreat in the coastal waters continues.

### **Western Baltic Sea**

The bodden waters south of Darß and Zingst are covered with 5-10 cm thick ice; there are large open areas in places and puddles on the ice.

### **Southern Baltic Sea**

The bodden waters between Hiddensee and Rügen are covered with close 5-10 cm thick ice; there are open areas in places and compact ice at the northern coasts. In the port of Stralsund and farther out to Palmer Ort there is open to close 5-10 thick ice, farther out on the fairway to Freesendorfer Haken there is open water. In the harbour of Sassnitz there are minor ice remnants. In the Bight of Greifswald there is partly close, about 7 cm thick, rotten ice in the Dänische Wiek; very close to close, partly ridged, 5-15 cm thick ice is present in the northern half of the Bight, and there is open water in the southern half. On the northern and southern Peenestrom there is very close 5-10 thick ice in the sheltered bays and open water on the fairway. Achterwasser is covered with about 10 cm thick ice. In Kleines Haff there is very close, partly ridged, 5-10 cm thick ice in the north as well as close to very open rotten ice in the south.

### **Outlook**

At air temperatures around the freezing point in the night, up to 10 °C in the day time, and moderate winds from westerly to south-westerly directions ice in the coastal waters will decrease rather rapidly within the week-end.

### **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

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