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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**

There is very open thin ice, with some close and compact ice in sheltered regions, in the bodden waters between Hiddensee and Rügen. In the port of Stralsund and farther out on the fairway to Freesendorfer Haken there is mostly open water. In the Bight of Greifswald there is partly close, rotten thin ice in the Dänische Wiek; 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 open water on the fairway with very close up 10cm thick ice in some sheltered bays. 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.

### **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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