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PART 72—MARINE INFORMATION

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Subpart 72.01—Notices to Mariners

§ 72.01-1 Purpose.

The Coast Guard issues information concerning the establishment of aids to maritime navigation and the changes, discontinuances, and deficiencies, except temporary deficiencies that are easily correctable, of aids to maritime navigation maintained and operated by or under the authority of the Coast Guard in documents and marine broadcasts having the general title of “Notice to Mariners.” This subpart describes the publications and the marine broadcasts.

[CGD 70-147R, 37 FR 10669, May 26, 1972]

§ 72.01-5 Local Notice to Mariners.

- (a) “Local Notice to Mariners” reports changes to and deficiencies in aids to navigation that are established or maintained and operated by or under the authority of the Coast Guard, and any other information pertaining to the waterways within each Coast Guard district that is of interest to the mariner.

- (b) "Local Notices to Mariners" are published weekly by each Coast Guard district or more often if there is a need to notify mariners of local waterway information. Local Notices to Mariners are available for viewing on the Coast Guard Navigation Center Web site at <http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=lnmMain>.
- (c) Any person may apply to the Coast Guard Navigation Center to receive automatic notices via email when new editions of the Local Notices to Mariners are available. Apply at <http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=listServerForm>.

[CGD 70-147R, 37 FR 10669, May 26, 1972, as amended by USCG-2001-10714, 69 FR 24984, May 5, 2004; USCG-2013-0397, 78 FR 39170, July 1, 2013; USCG-2015-0433, 80 FR 44279, July 27, 2015]

§ 72.01-10 Notice to Mariners.

- (a) "Notice to Mariners" is intended to advise mariners of new hydrographic discoveries, changes in channels and navigational aids, and information concerning the safety of navigation. "Notice to Mariners" also contains information—
 - (1) Useful in updating the latest editions of charts and publications of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, National Ocean Service, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and Coast Guard;
 - (2) Selected from the "Local Notice to Mariners" issued and published by the 1st, 5th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 11th, 13th, 14th, and 17th Coast Guard districts; and
 - (3) Compiled from foreign notices to mariners, ship reports, and similar cooperating observer reports.
- (b) "Notice to Mariners" is published weekly by the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency. The "Notice to Mariners" is prepared jointly by the:
 - (1) Coast Guard;
 - (2) National Ocean Service; and
 - (3) National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency.
- (c) This notice may be accessed through the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency's Web site (<http://msi.nga.mil/NGAPortal/MSI.portal>); look for "Notice to Mariners".

[CGD 97-023, 62 FR 33362, June 19, 1997, as amended by USCG-2001-9286, 66 FR 33640, June 25, 2001; USCG-2001-10714, 69 FR 24984, May 5, 2004; USCG-2009-0416, 74 FR 27438, June 10, 2009; USCG-2013-0397, 78 FR 39170, July 1, 2013]

§§ 72.01-15-72.01-20 [Reserved]

§ 72.01-25 Marine broadcast notice to mariners.

- (a) The Coast Guard broadcasts notices to mariners on its own or U.S. Navy radio stations to report navigational warnings containing information of importance to the safety of navigation of vessels, such as the position of ice and derelicts, defects, and changes to aids to navigation, and drifting mines. Radio stations broadcasting marine information are listed in "Radio Navigational Aids" (National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Publication 117) and United States Coast Pilots.
- (b) Any person may view or download "Radio Navigational Aids" from the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency's Web site (<http://msi.nga.mil/NGAPortal/MSI.portal>); look for "Publications."

- (c) Any person may purchase *United States Coast Pilots* from NOAA Certified Printer Partners listed at http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/staff/print_agents.html#mapTabs-2.

[CGD 97-023, 62 FR 33362, June 19, 1997; USCG-2001-9286, 66 FR 33640, June 25, 2001; USCG-2006-25150, 71 FR 39208, July 12, 2006; USCG-2009-0416, 74 FR 27438, June 10, 2009; USCG-2013-0397, 78 FR 39171, July 1, 2013; USCG-2015-0433, 80 FR 44279, July 27, 2015]

§ 72.01-30 Temporary deficiencies.

Temporary deficiencies in aids to navigation are not published in Notices to Mariners when it is known that the defects will be corrected promptly.

[CGFR 52-15, 18 FR 13, Jan. 1, 1953]

§ 72.01-35 [Reserved]

§ 72.01-40 Single copies.

Single copies of the "Notice to Mariners" described in § 72.01-10 may be viewed at the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency's Web site at <http://msi.nga.mil/NGAPortal/MSI.portal>.

[USCG-2015-0433, 80 FR 44279, July 27, 2015]

Subpart 72.05—Light Lists

§ 72.05-1 Purpose.

- (a) The Coast Guard publishes the following Light Lists annually, covering the waters of the United States, its territories and possessions:
- (1) Volume I, Atlantic Coast, from St. Croix River, Maine, to Shrewsbury River, New Jersey.
 - (2) Volume II, Atlantic Coast, from Shrewsbury River, New Jersey, to Little River, South Carolina.
 - (3) Volume III, Atlantic and Gulf Coasts, from Little River, South Carolina, to Econfina River, Florida, including Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.
 - (4) Volume IV, Gulf of Mexico, from Econfina River, Florida to Rio Grande, Texas.
 - (5) Volume V, Mississippi River System.
 - (6) Volume VI, Pacific Coast and Pacific Islands.
 - (7) Volume VII, Great Lakes.
- (b) The Light Lists contain the official name, location, characteristics, and general description of federal, state, and private aids to navigation maintained by or under authority of the U.S. Coast Guard, which are placed in navigable waters used by general navigation. The Light Lists do not contain information concerning private aids to navigation maintained under the authority of the U.S. Coast Guard, which are placed in navigable waters not used by general navigation; nor do they contain information concerning mooring buoys and some special marks having no lateral significance such as fish net, dredging, and racing buoys.

(14 U.S.C. 504; 49 U.S.C. 108; 49 CFR 1.46)

[CGFR 60-63, 25 FR 8949, Sept. 17, 1960, as amended by CGFR 63-48, 28 FR 10379, Sept. 25, 1963; CGD 85-042, 50 FR 50904, Dec. 13, 1985; CGD 88-105, 54 FR 12612, Mar. 28, 1989; USCG-2001-9286, 66 FR 33640, June 25, 2001; USCG-2015-0433, 80 FR 44279, July 27, 2015; USCG-2020-0304, 85 FR 58277, Sept. 18, 2020]

§ 72.05-5 [Reserved]

§ 72.05-10 Free distribution.

The Light List, including weekly updates, may be downloaded through the Coast Guard Navigation Center's Web site (<http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=lightlists>). A notice advising mariners of the availability of new editions of the Light Lists will be published in the Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency's Notice to Mariners.

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