

MARINE INFORMATION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NOTICE TO MARINERS CHANGE IN DISTRIBUTION

The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) is in the midst of a hard copy to digital transition program. NGA has statutory requirements to produce and make available safety of navigation data and will continue to meet this obligation to the mariner. The weekly Notice to Mariners is available free of charge to all customers through the Internet on our website. Beginning with Notice to Mariners No. 1, 2005 NGA will no longer print and distribute hard copy versions of this weekly product.

The digital version of the weekly Notice to Mariners is available on the Maritime Safety Information website at <http://pollux.nss.nga.mil/> or through the NGA home page (www.nga.mil). All of the information and data contained in the hard copy Notice is also available on this website. Customers can rely on the same quality of data that the Notice to Mariners provides to the civil and military mariner with the advantages afforded by the Internet. Customers can access daily navigational safety updates and not be hampered by weekly mail deliveries of the hard copy Notice.

NOAA CHART NEW EDITIONS AND THEIR AVAILABILITY

NOAA recognizes two paper nautical chart products:

- the Charts-on-Demand chart distributed by OceanGrafix (www.OceanGrafix.com), and
- the traditional NOAA/NOS paper chart distributed by the Federal Aviation Administration and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA).

The Charts-on-Demand chart is available the day after NOAA clears a New Edition for release. The traditional chart is available two to eight weeks later. Each is official, should be put into service immediately, and meets Federal chart carriage requirements immediately upon its release. For questions, contact NOAA at help@nauticalcharts.gov or call 301-713-1773 x105. Dates of Latest Edition for both charts are listed at <http://nauticalcharts.noaa.gov>.

This week's new edition released by NOAA is listed below:

12372	33 rd Ed. Aug 2004 NEW EDITION RI-CT-LONG ISLAND SOUND-WATCH HILL TO NEW HAVEN HARBOR (New edition due to numerous Notice to Mariner changes, new NOS hydrography, and various other changes.)	NAD 83	(NOS Silver Spring, MD) 1:40,000
13215	18 th Ed. Aug 2004 NEW EDITION CT-RI-NY-BLOCK ISLAND SOUND-POINT JUDITH TO MONTAUK POINT (New edition due to new NOS hydrography.)	NAD 83	(NOS Silver Spring, MD) 1:40,000
13292	37 th Ed. Aug 2004 NEW EDITION ME-PORTLAND HARBOR AND VICINITY (New edition due to new NOS hydrography and various general changes.)	NAD 83	(NOS Silver Spring, MD) 1:20,000
14842	57 th Ed. Aug 2004 NEW EDITION BOOK CHART - OH-SOUTH SHORE OF LAKE ERIE (New edition due to numerous Notice to Mariner changes and various general changes.)	NAD 83	(NOS Silver Spring, MD) VARIOUS
This NOAA chart is now available in digital raster format only. This chart is not available in Print-on-Demand. See http://chartmaker.ncd.noaa.gov/mcd/dole.htm for details. The corresponding traditional paper chart will be available in two to eight weeks.			
14970	26 th Ed. Aug 2004 NEW EDITION MI-LAKE SUPERIOR-MARQUETTE-PRESQUE ISLE CHANNEL (New edition due to numerous Notice to Mariner changes and change in format.)	NAD 83	(NOS Silver Spring, MD) 1:15,000
16011	36 th Ed. Aug 2004 NEW EDITION AK-ALASKA PENINSULA-ALEUTIAN ISLANDS TO SEGUAM (New edition due to new topography and new hydrography.)	NAD 83	(NOS Silver Spring, MD) 1:1,023,188
16605	9 th Ed. Aug 2004 NEW EDITION AK-SHUYAK STRAIT AND BLUEFOX BAY (New edition due to change in format.)	NAD 83	(NOS Silver Spring, MD) 1:20,000

17376 7th Ed. Jun 2004 NEW EDITION

NAD 83

(NOS Silver Spring, MD)

AK-CHATHAM STRAIT-TEBENKOF BAY AND PORT MALMESBURG

1:40,000

(New edition due to change in format.)

NEW EDITION OF LIST OF LIGHTS

Pub. 111, 2004 Edition, List of Lights, Radio Aids and Fog Signals for the West Coasts of North and South America (excluding Continental U.S.A. and Hawaii), Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand, and the Islands of the North and South Pacific Oceans, is ready for issue.

This edition contains information available to the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) up to 3 July 2004, including Notice to Mariners No. 27 of 2004.

Corrections subsequent to the above effective date, up to and including Notice to Mariners No. 37 of 2004, are contained in Section II of this Notice.

In the interval between new editions, corrective information affecting this publication will be published in the Notice to Mariners and must be applied in order to keep this publication current.

Note: Copies of the above publication may be obtained from the Government Printing Office (GPO).

NEW EDITION OF SUMMARY OF CORRECTIONS

Summary of Corrections for the Western Pacific Ocean (Regions 8 and 9), Volume 4, 2004 Edition, is ready for issue. This publication has been corrected to 26 June 2004, including Notice to Mariners No. 26 of 2004.

This edition is produced by NGA in digital format only, available on CD-ROM and includes the digital chart correction graphics in their full original color.

NEW EDITION OF SAILING DIRECTIONS

Pub. 172, Sailing Directions (Enroute) Red Sea and the Persian Gulf, Tenth Edition, 2004, is ready for issue. This publication has been corrected to 7 August 2004, including Notice to Mariners No. 32 of 2004.

This edition is produced by NGA in digital format only, available on CD-ROM and/or electronic access through the World Wide Web.

Digital Nautical publications will be updated using a binary executable called "Publication Data Update (PDU)". PDU's are cumulative or sequential, ensuring customers will not miss any changes, and may be accessed on the Maritime Safety Information Division website (<http://pollux.nss.nga.mil>).