

ECDIS - The Users View

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What Users Say They Want

- Raster Charts!
 - Vector charts are too complicated.
 You can be sure nothing is missing from a raster chart.
- One Metre Contour Interval Without this ECDIS is difficult to use in shallower waters
- Simple, Standard User Interface
 Every ECDIS system is very different and confusing





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■ Less/No Alarms

Too distracting - dangerous We didn't have alarms before so why now?

- Agreed Best Practice Procedures How are we supposed to use it?
- Much Larger Screens Lack of situational awareness is the most common complaint.





What Users Like About ECDIS

- Continuous Position Display Very Reassuring to OOW/Master
- Easy Chart Corrections!
 Every Second Mate's Dream
- Easy To Edit Route planning
 Easy to move waypoints around





Perceptions

- ECDIS Won't Be Safer
- Why Is It Being Forced Onto Us?
- ECDIS Still Has Too Many Problems



