

QUESTIONNAIRE REGARDING THE USE OF ENC IN THE BALTIC SEA

If you have any problems regarding the questions please contact:
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Deadline for fill in the questionnaire is set to the 15th of March 2008.



■ Member states of the BSHC: Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Latvia, Poland, Russian Federation and Sweden.

■ Associate Member state: Lithuania

At the 12th Conference of the Baltic Sea Hydrographic Commission (BSHC), which is a regional Hydrographic commission under the IHO, it was decided to study the level of harmonisation of the ENC's in the Baltic Sea. The name of the harmonisation group is Baltic Sea ENC Harmonisation Working Group (BSEHWG).

The harmonisation group is now, in collaboration with all the Hydrographic Offices in the Baltic Sea, in the middle of the process investigating how to harmonise ENC's in the Baltic Sea.

Some of the tasks were to identify and analyse existing inconsistencies within ENC's in the Baltic Sea and to analyse and propose solutions to avoid inconsistencies in the future.

It is important that the Hydrographic Offices also in the future are able to deliver ENC's, which satisfy the end user both as a user-friendly and a safety product for navigation.

The Hydrographic Offices would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation to make the ENC's in the Baltic Sea even more consistent in the future.

Q.1 Are you aware if your Shipping Company/authority is using ENC in ECDIS onboard some or all its vessels?

Q.2 Are you a pilot?

Q.3a Do you as a navigator use ECDIS onboard your vessel?

If the answer was YES, what kind of ECDIS system are you using (e.g. TRANSAS, ECPINS, FURUNO...)

If the answer was NO, do you then use other kind of electronic chart equipment? Please list what kind of ECS (Electronic Chart System) you or your shipping company/authority is using and/or the reason for not using ECDIS.

Q.3b If you use ECDIS onboard your vessel, do you then use ENC's?

If the answer was NO, please list the reason for not using ENC's in ECDIS.

Q.4a If you are using ENC in ECDIS onboard your vessel, do you have any problems concerning the presentation in the ECDIS display?

If the above answer was YES, what kind of problems does it give you? Please describe the problems. Describe the position, the name of the cell(s) and if possible, a photo.

Q.4b If you are using ENC in ECDIS onboard your vessel, do you have any problems with the consistency how ENC's are presented between neighbouring countries.

If the above answer was YES, please describe the differences that give the inconsistency.

Q.5 If you are using ENC in ECDIS onboard your vessel, please list which objects e.g. symbols or lines you believe should remain in the display no matter zoom level (objects beside Display base).

Please fill in the name of the vessel and the shipping company/authority that is responsible for the vessel:

At the end of the deadline the results of this questionnaire hasn't yet been analysed for this document.