

## **Status and plans of Nautical publications in Sweden (NHC58 action #5)**

### **Introduction**

Publications published by the SMA are NTM, NTM General Information and INT 1. The information included in List of Lights and pilot books has been available through SE charts and the official SMA website.

### **Status**

#### *Notices to Mariners*

From 2014, SMA discontinued publishing the NTM in a printed format and it is now only available in PDF format. It can be retrieved at the SMA website, or one can register for a subscription. Since the end of 2014 a subscriber will receive the NTM in the PDF format directly to the registered e-mail address. SMA publishes the NTM weekly and in rare cases every other week.

#### *Notice to Mariners General Information*

The general information (UFS A) is a booklet published yearly containing all information needed to safely navigate with Swedish charts, ENC's and the use of NTM. It also contains useful general information for both merchant mariners as well as leisure craft owners. This booklet is published in a printed Swedish version and an English version which is available for download at the SMA website.

#### *INT 1*

Sweden harmonized the SE charts to be more in line with international chart symbolization in 2008. All charts, both international and national, have the international symbolization. In 2008 INT 1 was produced in a new edition. It presented the new and the old symbolization. In the current edition from 2012 the old national versions of the international symbols were reduced. The next edition is planned for 2016.

### **Plans**

#### *Other Nautical information*

Since the beginning of 2014 the SMA started a project to find a standardized format for other nautical information which is now to some extent is available at the SMA website. The SMA came across a platform called Avanti, which is a UKHO owned product with links to the IHMA (International Harbor Masters Association). It is a web-based platform with the long-term goal to include all ports in the world providing the mariner with the up-to-date information that is needed for its passage. It is all done in a standardized format and the information is published in the same way all over the world. Swedens goal is to support the launch of Avanti in an industrial version by the beginning of 2016. A solution where up-to-date information can be presented in a standardized format would be of great benefit for the mariners.

### **Actions requested from NHC59**

The NHC59 is invited to note this report.