Seychelles (H)

Last update: 21/05/2009

Hydrographic surveying

Survey coverage	Depth < 200m	Depth > 200m
Percentage which is adequately surveyed	25	0
Percentage which requires re-survey	40	0
Percentage which has never been systematically surveyed	35	100
Pie charts		
Adequately surveyed		
Re-survey required		
Never surveyed		

Notes

1. The geological formation of the Seychelles is such that depths beyond the shelf edge fall away dramatically from approximately 50m to 2000m. The majority of this area is covered only by passage soundings.

The majority of the area of the Seychelles Bank between Mahé, Silhouette, Praslin, and la Digue islands has been surveyed by the Indian Navy. Data has not yet been released for charting purposes. No NMs have been issued warning of navigational dangers.

- 2. Priorities are:
- a. The banks and vigias near I. Coetivy lie on the flanks of a trans-ocean sea-lane and require thorough examination.
- b. The shoal areas on the N and S edge of the Seychelles Bank where it is transitted by the lane between the defined "Areas to be avoided" require survey to full modern standards.
- c. I. Denis, I. aux Vaches, Les Amirantes, Bancs Africains and Desroches all require survey to full modern standards
- 3. A resurvey programme is conducted following harbour works.

Nautical charting within the limits of the EEZ

Coverage of charts published	Offshore passage	Landfall and Coastal passage	Approaches and Ports
Percentage covered by INT charts meeting in M-4	100	100	100
Percentage covered by RNCs meeting S-61	100	100	100
Percentage covered by ENCs meeting S-57	100	0	50
Bar charts	INT RNC ENC	INT RNC ENC	INT RNC ENC
Percentage of INT charts showing depth in meters			
Percentage of INT charts referenced to a satellite datum			
Data source			
Notes			

Maritime Safety Information

Navigational information Status		Status	Notes
	Local warinings	YES	
	Coastal warnings	NO	
	NAVAREA warnings	YES	Via NAVAREA VII Co-ordinator.
	Information on ports and harbours	YES	Passed to UKHO.

GMDSS implementation		Status	Notes
	Master plan	YES	
	A1 area	NO	Planned.
	A2 area	NO	Planned.
	A3 area	NO	
	NAVTEX	NO	
	Safety NET	NO	