Appendix A

Sales Information

NOAA publications, nautical charts and unclassified National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) nautical charts are sold by authorized sales agents in many U.S. ports and in some foreign ports. A listing of authorized chart agents and their sales outlets can be found at www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov.

Products and services—NOAA

Reporting corrections to Nautical Charts and Coast Pilots

Users are requested to report all significant discrepancies or additions to NOAA navigational products, including depth information in privately maintained channels and basins; obstructions, wrecks and other dangers; new, relocated or demolished landmarks; uncharted fixed private aids to navigation; deletions or additions of small-craft facilities and any other information pertinent to safe navigation. This information may be submitted using the NOAA Office of Coast Survey site:https://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/customer-service/assist/

Nautical charts

NOAA maintains the nautical charts and publications for the coast of the United States and the Great Lakes. Over a thousand charts cover 95,000 miles of shoreline and 3.4 million square nautical miles of water. Access to charts, publications and chart catalogs is available through www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov.

Dates of latest editions

Information concerning the dates of latest editions of the full suite of NOAA’s nautical charts and U.S. Coast Pilot volumes can be found at nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/mcd/dole.htm.
NOAA Weather Radio

National Weather Service VHF-FM radio stations provide mariners with continuous FM broadcasts of weather warnings, forecasts, radar reports and selected weather observations. Reception range is up to 40 miles from the antenna site, depending on terrain, type of receiver and antenna used. The following VHF-FM radio stations with location of antenna are in or near the area covered by this Coast Pilot.

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<th>Location</th>
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*On the hour and at 10 minute intervals thereafter, 24 hours a day.

The National Weather Service provides **Radio Facsimile Weather Information** for Gulf coast waters through Coast Guard Communications Station New Orleans (NGM). Broadcasts are made on the following frequencies: 4317.9, 8503.9, 12789.9, 17146.4 (12z, 18z) kHz. For carrier frequency, subtract 1.9 kHz. Fax schedules are transmitted at 2025 GMT, and provide area coverage and description of services. For further information on Marine Radiofax Charts, visit: [https://www.weather.gov/marine/radiofax_charts](https://www.weather.gov/marine/radiofax_charts)

**Marine weather forecasts**

Coastal Marine Forecasts are issued four times daily by National Weather Service Offices. For further information on coastal marine forecasts as well as additional types of forecasts, visit: [https://weather.gov/marine/forecast](https://weather.gov/marine/forecast) and [https://nowcoast.noaa.gov](https://nowcoast.noaa.gov)

**Space Weather Prediction Center (SWPC)**

The Space Weather Prediction Center provides real-time monitoring and forecasting of solar and geophysical events that impact satellites, power grids, communications, navigation and many other technological systems.

NOAA, National Weather Service
National Centers for Environmental Predictions
Space Weather Prediction Center, W/NP9
325 Broadway
Boulder, Colorado 80305
www.swpc.noaa.gov

**National Weather Service Port Meteorological Officers (PMOs)**

Port Meteorological Officers provide assistance on matters of weather chart interpretation, instruments, marine weather communications and requirements affecting ship operations. (See National Weather Service, chapter 1, for further details.) PMO offices in the area covered by this Coast Pilot are as follows:

**Houston**–National Weather Service, 1353 FM 646, Suite 202, Dickinson, TX 77539. email: pmohou@noaa.gov.


**Products and services–other U.S. Government agencies**

A partial list of publications and charts considered of navigational value is included for the ready reference of the mariner. In addition to the agents located in the principal seaports handling publication sales, certain libraries have been designated by the Congress of the United States to receive the publications as issued for public review.


Government Publishing Office

U.S. Government Publishing Office
710 North Capitol Street, NW
Washington, DC 20401-0001
202-512-1800
866-512-1800
www.gpo.gov/
ContactCenter@gpo.gov

Hydrographic surveys

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers hydrographic survey activity is available at: https://www.mvr.usace.army.mil/Missions/Navigation/Hydrographic-Surveys/
HydrographicSurveysMap/

Nautical charts


Flood Control and Navigation Maps of the Mississippi River, Cairo, Illinois to the Gulf of Mexico—available from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Memphis District as a free download in PDF at www.mvm.usace.army.mil.

Upper Mississippi River Navigation Charts (Mississippi River, Cairo, Illinois to Minneapolis, Minnesota) and Charts of the Illinois Waterway, from Mississippi River at Grafton, Illinois to Lake Michigan at Chicago and Calumet Harbors—available from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Rock Island District for purchase in hard copy format or as a free download in PDF at www.mvr.usace.army.mil.

Publications and services


Special Notice to Mariners are issued annually in National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Notice to Mariners 1. These notices contain important information of considerable interest to all mariners. Interested parties are advised to read these notices.

Light List—published by United States Coast Guard and available online at www.navcen.uscg.gov. Also see Light List, chapter 1, for additional information.

List of Lights, Sailing Directions, Radio Navigational Aids (Pub. 117), American Practical Navigator (Pub. 9) and International Code of Signals (Pub. 102)—issued by the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency and available at msi.nga.mil/NGAPortal/MSI.portal.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Offices

District/Division Office Contact Information
Jacksonville District Office www.saj.usace.army.mil
Federal Building 904–232–2568
400 West Street Jacksonville, FL 32232

Mobile District Office www.sam.usace.army.mil
P.O. Box 2288 251–480–2505
Mobile, AL 36628

Biloxi District Office www.mvn.usace.army.mil
P.O. Box 2288 1–800–522–5672
Biloxi, MS 39540

Vicksburg District Office www.mvk.usace.army.mil
P.O. Box 2288 601–268–2201
Vicksburg, MS 39183

New Orleans District Office www.mvn.usace.army.mil
7400 Leake Avenue 504–232–2568
New Orleans, LA 70118

Galveston District Office www.swg.usace.army.mil
P.O. Box 1229 409–766–3004
Galveston, TX 77553

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Offices

Region 1
New Hampshire, Vermont, Maine, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island www.epa.gov/aboutepa/epa-region-1-new-england

Region 2
New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands www.epa.gov/aboutepa/epa-region-2

Region 3
Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, District of Columbia, Pennsylvania www.epa.gov/aboutepa/epa-region-3-mid-atlantic

Region 4
Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, South Carolina, North Carolina www.epa.gov/aboutepa/about-epa-region-4-southeast
Regional Areas, States and Information

**Region 5**
Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin
www.epa.gov/aboutepa/epa-region-5

**Region 6**
Louisiana, Texas
www.epa.gov/aboutepa/epa-region-6-south-central

**Region 9**
California, Hawaii, Guam
www.epa.gov/aboutepa/epa-region-9-pacific-southwest

**Region 10**
Alaska, Oregon, Washington
www.epa.gov/aboutepa/epa-region-10-pacific-northwest

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**U.S. Coast Guard Navigation Center (NAVCEN)**

The Coast Guard Navigation Center provides cutting-edge services for safe, secure and efficient maritime transportation. The center operates the Navigation Information Service (NIS), the Maritime Differential GPS (DGPS) and the developing Nationwide Differential Global Positioning System (NDGPS). In addition, NAVCEN serves as the civilian interface for the Global Positioning System and manages other navigation-related projects.

For further information and/or operational questions regarding GPS and DGPS, visit www.navcen.uscg.gov, or contact:

**Commanding Officer**
U.S. Coast Guard Navigation Center
NAVCEN MS 7310
7323 Telegraph Road
Alexandria, VA 20598-7310

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**Coast Guard District Offices**

**Districts, Boundary Description and Contact Information**

**Seventh Coast Guard District**
South Carolina, Florida, and Georgia, except west of a line from the intersection of the Florida coast with longitude 83°50'W due north to a position 30°15'N, 83°50'W; thence due west to the position 30°15'N, 84°45'W; thence due north to the intersection with the south shore of Jim Woodruff Reservoir; thence along the east bank of the Jim Woodruff Reservoir and the Florida coast at 83°50'W longitude; thence northerly to 30°15'N latitude, 84°45'W longitude; thence due west to 30°15'N latitude, 83°50'W longitude; thence due south to the eastern end of the Fifth and Seventh Coast Guard District land boundary of the National Maritime Search and Rescue Region; thence along the eastern; and the ocean areas that are encompassed by a line bearing 122° True from coastal end of the Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Coast Guard District land boundary of the National Maritime Search and Rescue Region; thence along the eastern and the offshore boundary between the Seventh and Eighth Coast Guard Districts that is defined as a line that extends 199° True from the coastal end of the Seventh and Eighth Coast Guard District land boundary; thence along this line to the coast.

909 SE 1st Avenue
Miami, FL 33131-3050
305-415-6752

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**Coast Guard Sector Offices**

Note: A Sector Office combines the functions of the Captain of the Port and a Marine Inspection Office.

**Sectors**

**Seventh Coast Guard District**
- **Corpus Christi**
  8390 Ocean Drive, Hgr 41
  Corpus Christi, TX 78419
  361-438-0176
- **Houston/Galveston**
  9640 Clinton Drive
  Houston, TX 77029
  504-365-9340
- **New Orleans**
  200 Hendee Street
  New Orleans, LA 70114
  504-365-2200
- **Mobile**
  1500 15th Street
  Mobile, AL 36601
  504-365-8779
- **St. Petersburg**
  600 8th Avenue, SE
  St. Petersburg, FL 33701
  727-824-7534
- **Key West**
  100 Trumbo Road
  Key West, FL 33040
  305-292-8779
- **San Juan**
  #6 Calle La Puntila Final
  San Juan, PR 00901
  787-729-6800

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**Coast Guard Stations**

The stations listed are in the area covered by this Coast Pilot. They have search and rescue capabilities and may provide lookout, communication, and/or patrol functions to assist vessels in distress. The National VHF-FM Distress System provides continuous coastal radio coverage outwards to 20 miles on channel 16. After contact on channel 16, communications with the Coast Guard should be on channel 22A. If channel 22 is not available to the mariner, communications may be made on channel 12. Selected stations guard the International Radiotelephone Distress, Safety and Calling Frequencies.

**Puerto Rico**

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<td>North side of San Juan Harbor at La Puntila.</td>
<td>18°27′42″N, 66°07′00″W</td>
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**Florida**
Urgent, safety, and scheduled marine information broadcasts are made by Coast Guard stations. In general, these broadcasts provide information vital to vessels operating in the approaches and coastal waters of the United States including the Great Lakes, Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands. Types of broadcasts are as follows:

**Scheduled broadcasts**—U.S. Coast Guard stations make scheduled broadcasts on a prepublished schedule of intervals of 12 hours. After the preliminary announcements on VHF-FM channel 16, the station advises shifting to working frequency VHF-FM channel 22.

**Safety broadcasts**—U.S. Coast Guard stations that make scheduled broadcasts issue safety broadcasts upon receipt and on the next scheduled broadcast. Safety broadcasts are preceded by the safety signal SECURITY. After the preliminary signal on VHF-FM channel 16, the station may announce shifting to working frequency VHF-FM channel 22A.

**Urgent broadcasts**—U.S. Coast Guard stations that make scheduled broadcasts issue urgent broadcasts upon receipt and on schedule until canceled. Urgent broadcasts are preceded by the urgent signal, PAN-PAN. Both the urgent signal and message may be transmitted on VHF-FM channel 16.

**U.S. NAVTEX Transmitting Stations**

NAVTEX is an international automated medium frequency direct-printing service informing mariners of navigational and meteorological warnings and forecasts, as well as urgent marine safety information. Coverage is reasonably continuous to 200 NM off the U.S. East, Gulf and West Coasts; Puerto Rico; Southwest Alaska; Hawaii; and 100 NM off Guam. U.S. Coast Guard NAVTEX broadcast stations and message content for the areas covered by this Coast Pilot are shown below.

**Station ID WX Broadcast Schedule (UTC)**

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**Customs ports of entry**

Vessels arriving in the United States from a foreign port or place are required to report their arrival to Customs and Border Protection immediately. Field Operations Offices and contact information is listed below.

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<td>Tampa</td>
<td>1624 East Seventh Avenue Suite 300 Tampa, FL 33605 813–712–6100</td>
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<tr>
<td>San Juan</td>
<td>City View Plaza Suite 3000 #488 Road 165 Km 1.2 Guaynabo, PR 00968 787–729–6950</td>
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Public Health Service quarantine stations

At other ports, quarantine and/or medical examinations are usually performed by Public Health Service contract personnel or by quarantine inspectors from the nearest quarantine station. Inquiries concerning quarantine matters should be directed to the nearest quarantine station.

Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Regional Offices

Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Regional Offices


Pacific Region 1301 Clay Street Room 1180N Oakland, California 94612 510–287–2700

Southeast Region 60 Eighth Street NE Atlanta, Georgia 30309 404–253–1171

Southwest Region 4040 North Central Expressway Suite 900 Dallas, Texas 75204 214–253–4901

Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS)

Information on the importation of plants, animals and plant and animal products is available from APHIS, Department of Agriculture, 4700 River Road, Riverdale, MD 20737. Visit aphis.usda.gov for more information.

USDA Animal and Plant Inspection Service

Animal Import Centers:

Los Angeles Animal Import Center (LAAIC) 222 Kansas Street El Segundo, CA 90245 310-955-3311

Miami Animal Import Center (MAIC) 6300 NW 36th Street Miami, FL 33122 305-876-2200

New York Animal Import Center (NYAIC) 474 Animal Import Center Newburg, NY 12550 845-838-5500

Federal Communications Commission Offices

District Field Offices:

Tampa, FL: 2203 N. Lois Ave., Room 1215, Tampa, FL 33607-2356.


Dallas, TX: 9330 LBJ Freeway, Room 1170, Dallas, TX 75243-3429.


Stations transmitting medical advice

To obtain radio medical advice by reliable voice radio communications urgent calls for assistance may be broadcast using the normal Urgency prowords PAN PAN as follows:

Broadcast Language Details

PAN-PAN (3 times)
All Stations (3 times or specific station if known)
This is ship name (3 times)
Call sign (call sign)
In Position (give position)
I require medical advice Over
Measured courses

The positions of measured courses are shown on the chart and their description is included in the Coast Pilots when information is reported to the National Ocean Service. Courses are located in the following places covered by this Coast Pilot:

Tampa Bay, FL 11412.