Subpart 72.01—Notices to Mariners

§ 72.01–1 Purpose.

The Coast Guard issues information concerning the establishment of aids to maritime navigation and the changes, discontinuances, and deficiencies, except temporary deficiencies that are easily correctable, of aids to maritime navigation maintained and operated by or under the authority of the Coast Guard in documents and marine broadcasts having the general title of “Notice to Mariners.” This subpart describes the publications and the marine broadcasts.

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§ 72.01–5 Local Notice to Mariners.

(a) “Local Notice to Mariners” reports changes to and deficiencies in aids to navigation that are established or maintained and operated by or under the authority of the Coast Guard, and any other information pertaining to the waterways within each Coast Guard district that is of interest to the mariner.

(b) “Local Notice to Mariners” is published weekly by each Coast Guard district or more often if there is a need to notify mariners of local waterway information. Local Notice to Mariners is available for viewing on the Coast Guard Navigation Center Web site (http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=lnmMain).

(c) Any person may apply to the Coast Guard Navigation Center to receive automatic notices via email when new editions of the Local Notice to Mariners are available. Register at http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=LNMlistRegistration.


§§ 72.01–15—72.01–20 [Reserved]

§ 72.01–25 Marine broadcast notice to mariners.

(a) The Coast Guard broadcasts notices to mariners on its own or U.S. Navy radio stations to report navigational warnings containing information of importance to the safety of navigation of vessels, such as the position of ice and derelicts, defects, and changes to aids to navigation, and drifting mines. Radio stations broadcasting marine information are listed in “Radio Navigational Aids” (National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Publication 117) and United States Coast Pilots.

(b) Any person may view or download “Radio Navigational Aids” from the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency’s Web site (http://msi.nga.mil/NGAPortal/MSI.portal); look for “Publications.”

(c) Any person may purchase United States Coast Pilots from an authorized agent listed at http://aeronav.faa.gov/
§ 72.01–30 Temporary deficiencies.
Temporary deficiencies in aids to navigation are not published in Notices to Mariners when it is known that the defects will be corrected promptly.

§ 72.01–35 [Reserved]

§ 72.01–40 Single copies.

Single copies of the “Notice to Mariners” described in § 72.01–10 may be obtained or consulted at:
(a) Coast Guard District Commanders’ Offices;
(b) National Ocean Service Field Offices;
(c) The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency; and
(d) Custom Houses.

Subpart 72.05—Light Lists

§ 72.05–1 Purpose.
(a) The Coast Guard publishes the following Light Lists annually, with the exception of Volume V, which is published biennially, covering the waters of the United States, its territories and possessions:

(1) Volume I, Atlantic Coast, from St. Croix River, Maine, to Shrewsbury River, New Jersey.

(2) Volume II, Atlantic Coast, from Shrewsbury River, New Jersey, to Little River, South Carolina.

(3) Volume III, Atlantic and Gulf Coasts, from Little River, South Carolina, to Econfina River, Florida, including Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

(4) Volume IV, Gulf of Mexico, from Econfina River, Florida to Rio Grande, Texas.

(5) Volume V, Mississippi River System.

(6) Volume VI, Pacific Coast and Pacific Islands.

(7) Volume VII, Great Lakes.

(b) The Light Lists contain the official name, location, characteristics, and general description of federal, state, and private aids to navigation maintained by or under authority of the U.S. Coast Guard, which are placed in navigable waters used by general navigation. The Light Lists do not contain information concerning private aids to navigation maintained under the authority of the U.S. Coast Guard, which are placed in navigable waters not used by general navigation; nor do they contain information concerning mooring buoys and some special marks having no lateral significance such as fish net, dredging, and racing buoys.


§ 72.05–5 Sales agencies.

Each volume of the Light List is for sale by the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, and can be ordered online from the U.S. Government Online Bookstore at http://bookstore.gpo.gov, by Fax at 202-512-2104, or by telephone at 202-512-1800. Send mail orders including payment to U.S. Government Printing Office, Superintendent of Documents, P.O. Box 979050, St. Louis, MO 63197-9000. Notification of publication of a new edition of the Light List is published in the “Local Notices to Mariners” and “Notice to Mariners” for the particular area that is covered as soon as the edition is available for distribution.


§ 72.05–10 Free distribution.

Official copies are distributed free of charge to Federal, State, and foreign