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Manual version

This manual is written for the software version in effect at the date of release for this manual. The manual is continually updated to match new software releases. The latest available manual version can be downloaded from .

Intended audience

This manual is written for system operators. The manual assumes that the reader has basic knowledge about this type of equipment with regards to:

- operation
- nautical terminology and practices

What's New?

Release Notes ECDIS900

This version describes new features and enhancements in relation to reliability, robustness, performance, and usability of the ECDIS900.

New features and enhancements	Description	Reference
Operating system is updated to Windows 10. General review in accordance with recertification requirements.	Operating system is updated to Windows 10 related to PC hardware changes.	Software Versions: ECDIS900 5.3.x.x IHO Presentation Library 4.0 Application Manager 1.0.x.x

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Introduction

The ECDIS system

This is a type approved Electronic Chart Display and Information System (ECDIS), and conforms to the International Maritime Organization (IMO) requirements for vessels that are subject to SOLAS regulations.

The system displays the vessel position, speed and course in real time on the chart, based on information received from navigational sensors. The vessel's symbol is displayed with actual heading, and speed vectors may also be indicated. Chart information critical to safe navigation defined by IMO will always appear on the display, while other chart information may be switched off.

Based on speed and course information, the system generates danger and grounding alerts, independent of mode of operation.

The system includes route planning, and routes are planned independent of the actual vessel position. The routes are checked for dangerous position of waypoints and legs as the route is planned. The routes are stored and may be recalled whenever necessary. The system has no limitations to the number of waypoints in a route.

Both hardware and software in the system are ECDIS type approved. The type approval certificates are available from the product site on

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The operational area of this ECDIS using ENC charts is between latitude 85° N and 85° S.

The International Hydrographic Organization (IHO) standards the system should meet are available at www.iho.int.

ECDIS requirement

According to the SOLAS convention three key components must be fulfilled if a vessel is to satisfy the chart carriage requirements in SOLAS by electronic means:

- The ECDIS must conform to the International Maritime Organization (IMO). To meet these requirements the system must be type approved
- The ECDIS system must have a back-up arrangement. This could be either a folio of paper charts or other non-paper, back-up solution decided by the relevant maritime administration.
- The charts used on the ECDIS system must be Electronic Navigational Charts (ENCs) following the standard set by the International Hydrographic Organization (IHO)

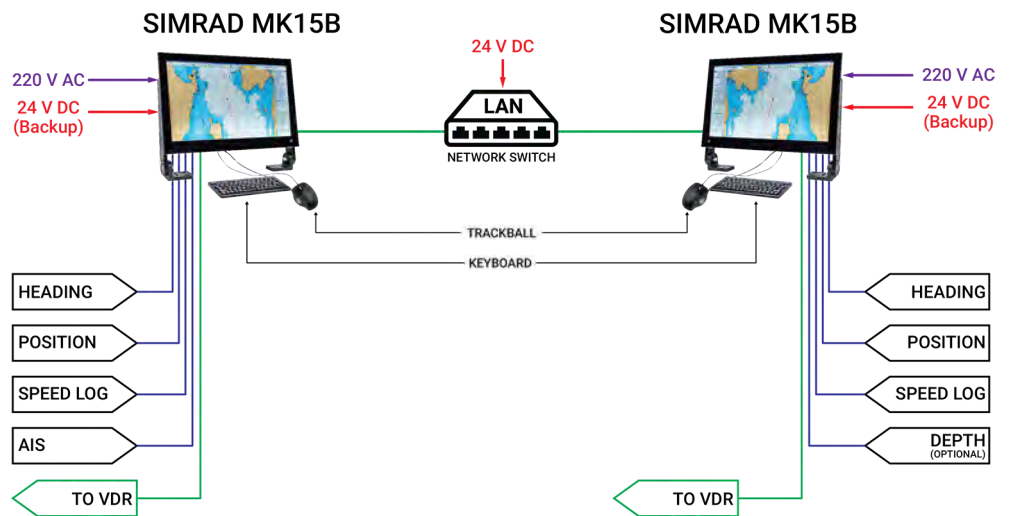
⚠ Warning: An ECDIS system is allowed to be used with non-approved charts. However, the use of the system with non-approved charts is limited to those areas where approved charts are not available. When non-approved charts are used, the ECDIS must be used together with an appropriate folio of up-to-date paper charts!

No ENC available, refer to paper chart
Sound is turned off

When using a non-approved chart, this message will appear.

System overview

The Simrad ECDIS900 interfaces with navigational equipment in accordance and compliance with the IMO's ECDIS performance standards. It is designed to interface with other equipment that enhances the Watch Officer's ability to safely navigate and manage information. The ECDIS900 is designed to work on Windows operating systems.



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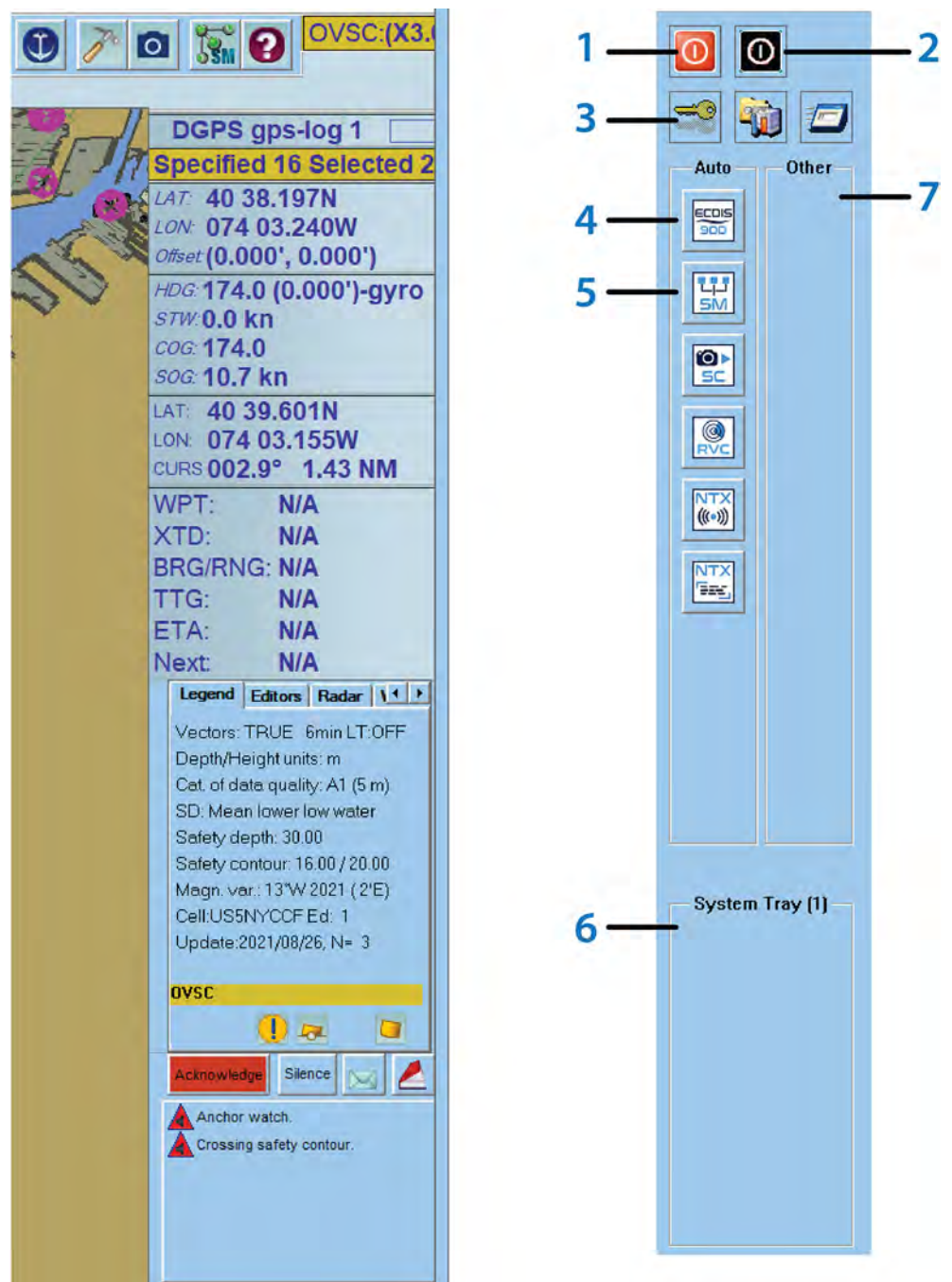
System components

Software components

Application manager

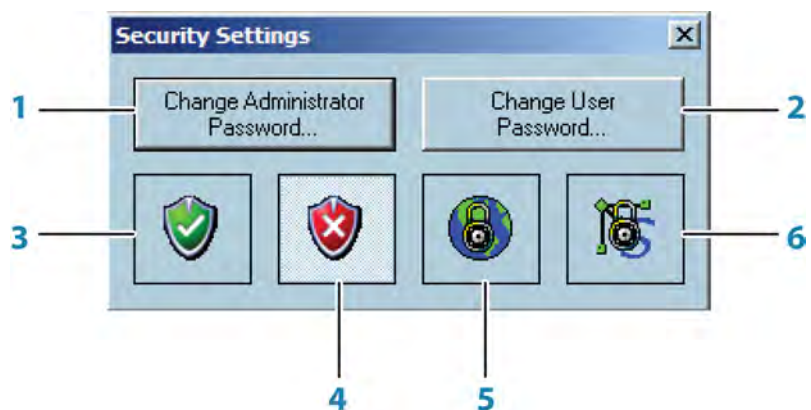
Application manager is a Windows shell that is installed by default on ECDIS computers. It enables users to manage and gain access to start menu, task bar and system trays. It also provides the standard desktop environment as well as graphical user interface for accessing the file management functions of the Windows operating system.

→ **Note:** The Application manager is automatically hidden on the right side of the window when not in use. Click the extreme right side of the window near the console area to reopen it.



- 2 **Switch off the computer** button
Click once to turn off the computer.
- 3 **Security settings** button
Click once to display the security settings dialog. See "*Security settings*" on page 12 for more details.
- 4 **ECDIS900** button
Click once to open the running ECDIS.
→ **Note:** Users running in Operation Mode cannot terminate the ECDIS application unless the computer is switched off.
- 5 **Sensor Monitor** button
Click once to open the running Sensor monitor.
→ **Note:** Users running in Operational Mode cannot terminate the Sensor monitor unless the computer is switched off.
- 6 **System tray**
Icons for other Windows applications that are running in the background are shown here.
- 7 **Other** pane
This is a section in the Application manager that enables users to see active applications that they can terminate.

Security settings



- 1 **Change Administrator Password** button
Click this button once to display the **Change password** dialog.



- **Note:** Users running in Operation mode cannot change the Administrator password due to system user rights. To change passwords, select **Service mode** and log on with the correct Administrator user credentials. It is mandatory to input the old password you can change it to a new one.
- 2 **Change User Password** button
Click this button once to change user passwords. This option is available for users running in **Service mode** or **Operation mode**.
→ **Note:** It is mandatory to input the old password before you can completely change the password.

3 Operation Mode button

Click this button to enable **Operation Mode**. This is the default mode of the ECDIS system after the installation process.

See "*Operation mode*" on page 16 for more information.

4 Service Mode button

Click this button to switch to Service mode. This option is used by technicians to configure and service the ECDIS. It should not be used during navigation.

See "*Service mode*" on page 16 for more information.

5 Lock/Unlock ECDIS button

Click this button to lock/unlock the ECDIS settings.

Refer to "*Security and system settings*" on page 26 for more details.

6 Lock/Unlock Sensor Monitor button

Click this button to lock/unlock the Sensor monitor settings.

Refer to "*Security and system settings*" on page 26 for more details.

Sensor monitor



The Sensor Monitor is an I/O software application which interfaces the ECDIS900 system. It is used to link and manage external devices like GPS, gyro, radars and other navigational sensors and reference systems. It enables users to manage data from navigational devices connected via serial or Ethernet communication ports.

The Sensor Monitor is configured during the installation process of the ECDIS900 system. For more information regarding the configuration of the Sensor Monitor, refer to Simrad ECDIS900 System Installation manual.



Hardware components

ECDIS MK15B display and panel computer

The MK15B display and panel computers are designed by using Glass Display Control (GDC) touch technology to allow adjusting brilliance (brightness) and control power on/off with the use of illuminated symbols. These symbols are only visible when suitable power is connected. There are no physical moving knobs, pot meters, wheels or push buttons available as everything is touch surface controlled by projected capacitive technology, that allows a human finger (including several types of gloves) to control the unit.

ECDIS MK5B computer

The MK5B computer is an Intel core i5 CPU with HD graphics. This fanless CPU has 1 DP, 1 DVI-D and 1 DVI-I, 4 LAN (RJ45), 8 USB, 2 RS-232 and 4 RS-422 ports for external sensors.

MK5B monitors

The ECDIS900 MK5B system includes various display sizes. The monitors are non-touch monitors, color calibrated and type approved for ECDIS.

A separate manual is delivered with the monitor. This manual includes installation and operational instructions.

Trackball

The trackball is used as a pointing device to select ECDIS system menus and dialogs.

Alarm Panel

The Alarm panel is the audio source for the system. The unit gives an audible alert for any faults from the system, including power supply failure. Audible alerts are mandatory for any systems requiring Wheelmark certification.

→ **Note:** The external alarm panel is only required for Simrad monitors.

Chart database

The system is designed for using approved ENC charts in S57 or S63 formats. A world-wide overview chart is pre-installed in the system. During installation and setup of the system the required and detailed charts must be installed.

For details about chart installation procedure, refer to "*Chart database installation*" on page 51.

→ **Note:** ENC Charts and permits are not supplied by Simrad. Contact your Chart supplier

USB DVD drive

The USB DVD drive is used to install chart permits and database.

Keyboard

The keyboard is used to input alphanumeric characters into the ECDIS system.

SIS4000 MK2

SIS4000-MK2 is a network based module. This unit is a gateway between standard LWI IEC 91162-450 Ethernet bridge networks and standard NMEA 0183/IEC 61162-1/-2 interfaces.

This device is optional and is sold separately.

NMEA 0183® 4-port expansion module

It is a USB type interfacing device which is used to connect equipment such as GPS, gyro, log, ARPA, wind, echo sounder etc. This is normally designed to be connected at the back of the ECDIS computer unit.

→ **Note:** This device is optional and is sold separately.

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Basic operation

Start-up

The ECDIS900 system is switched on by pressing the external power switch of MK15B or MK5B computers.

The system should be left with the power ON.

When power is switched on, the operating system will be started, automatically followed by the system program.

After a reboot, the system restarts with the last user settings including type of chart, chart settings and settings according to the user profile.

Turning the system on and off

→ **Note:** Always let the system boot-up completely before shutting it down to avoid system failure.



Power on



Power off

For ECDIS900 MK15B, the system is turned on by touching the illuminated **ON/OFF** button located in front of the unit. This powers on both the monitor display and the internal processor.

→ **Note:** The ON/OFF button is red when the system is turned off and will change to green when the system is turned on.

For ECDIS900 MK5B, the system is turned on by pressing the power button of the central processing unit (CPU). This powers on the internal ECDIS processing unit.

The monitor unit is powered independently. Refer to the operator manual of your monitor for more details.

For ECDIS900 MK15B, when the ECDIS is in **Operation mode** the only way to switch off the ECDIS is with the black button in the Application Manager, the touch screen buttons are disabled.

In **Service mode**, you can press the power button on the CPU to turn the system ON/OFF.

Adjusting display brightness

⚠ **Warning:** The use of brightness control may inhibit visibility of information particularly when using the night color tables.

Brilliance

For MK15B, the display brilliance is adjusted by touching the illuminated plus (+) and minus (-) symbols on the panel computer. The entire area of text and symbols is visible as long as the unit is powered. Note that only the (-) and (+) are touch sensitive while the BRILLIANCE text and symbol are not.

For MK5B, the display brilliance is adjusted by pressing the plus and minus keys on the monitor.

The monitors are color calibrated from the factory, and has its individual backlight brightness set point in accordance with the ECDIS standard.

→ **Note:** For MK15B, ECDIS approved brilliance setting is indicated with the word ECDIS which is constantly illuminated in green as long as the unit is turned on. The (+) and (-) symbols will illuminate in red when the brightness is adjusted either above or below ECDIS factory calibration point.



Set standard display

Click the icon once or press **F7** to enable the standard mode of the ENC display.

- **Note:** When the system is using ARCS chart, clicking this icon will also enable the system to display the original ARCS chart scale.
- **Note:** Switching to the Standard display mode automatically changes the backlight to the calibrated values if they are different from currently used brightness calibration. Left-click adds standard brill/brightness to the standard display mode. The action is performed for all color schemes switching (day, dusk, night).

Changing workstations

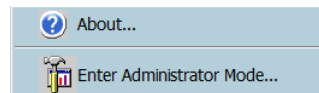
A typical installation of an ECDIS900 network includes two or three workstations connected by Local Area Network (LAN). One **Monitoring** workstation which is designed for comprehensive and flexible voyage planning, route planning and chart management and additional **Planning** workstations which are primarily designed as back-up workstations.

To change workstations, double right-click the window title bar and select **Set as Planning station** or **Set as Monitoring station**.

- **Note:** Only one ECDIS on the network can be assigned as a Monitoring station at all times.
- **Note:** One of the ECDIS in the network is predefined as Monitoring Station and acquires Position, Gyro and Log data via serial lines. A secondary Position, Gyro and other sensor data inputs through the Planning Station. All serial sensor inputs are broadcast on the network and shared by the two ECDIS stations.

Switching to Administrator mode

The Application Manager is configured during the ECDIS system installation. Operating in Administrator mode enables technicians to modify user settings, run the standard Windows applications and use additional Windows features. Administrator mode is enabled and used when modifying the ECDIS settings.



- **Note:** To switch the application to the Administrator mode, right-click under the System tray area and select **Enter Administrator Mode...** from the dialog. This mode should only be enabled and used by certified technicians or users with advanced skills in relation to the ECDIS system.

Service mode

This mode provides technicians with full access to the standard Windows and ECDIS functionalities.

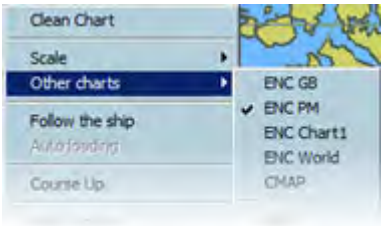
Operation mode

This is the default operating mode of the Application manager running in an ECDIS computer. In this mode the ECDIS computer is protected against users modifying computer settings or installing third party software which may affect the operating system. Users running in this mode will have restricted access only to mandatory ECDIS functions and to other SIMRAD applications which are selected during the configuration.

- **Note:** The Application manager on an Approval mode supersedes Windows explorer, thus all Windows basic and standard shortcuts such as Ctrl+Alt+Del are disabled.

Switching between charts

To switch charts, right-click on the current chart area to display the pop-up menu. Hover your cursor over the **Other charts** option and select the chart database you want to use.



You can also press the **F9** key on the keyboard to select another type of chart database. Pressing the **F9** key will only select chart databases that are configured in the quick switch option.

Quick switch

To display and configure the quick switch between ENC and ARCS chart types, press **F9** key. Check/uncheck the chart type and click the **OK** button to apply the changes.



→ **Note:** Only installed charts will be displayed in the list. Open **Chart management** dialog to see all chart databases installed in your system.

Zoom In/Out



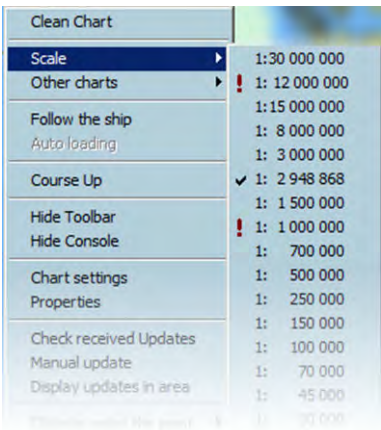
→ **Note:** Mariners should exercise caution when modifying the chart scale. Over scaling (OVSC) is possible however some navigation hazards might not be shown due to the limitations imposed by the original chart scale.

Press the **F1** key to zoom in or click the **Zoom in** icon to increase the size of the displayed chart.



Press the **F2** key to zoom out or click the **Zoom out** icon to decrease the size of the displayed chart.

You can also zoom in/out by rolling the trackball wheel back/forth. Click and drag to zoom into a specific area.



The list of scales displayed in the static information console depends on the chart type being used. A check mark (✓) indicates that the scale is currently used. An exclamation mark (!) indicates that an ENC cell with this compilation scale is installed and available.

Navigators should always check the approved scale before use and during route monitoring.

→ **Note:** The Zoom in/out function should only be used for short periods of time.

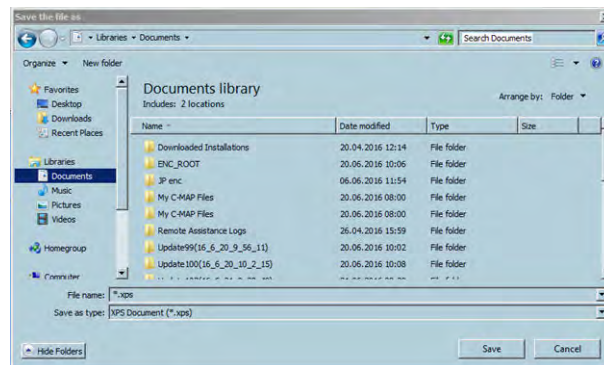
Print screen

The Print screen function allows you to screenshot, screen capture or take a picture of the entire ECDIS screen.

To use the print screen function, click on the **Print** icon on the toolbar panel.

The system will automatically generate a screen image and convert it into pdf format.

You can save the image onto a removable drive or in the local drive of the ECDIS computer.



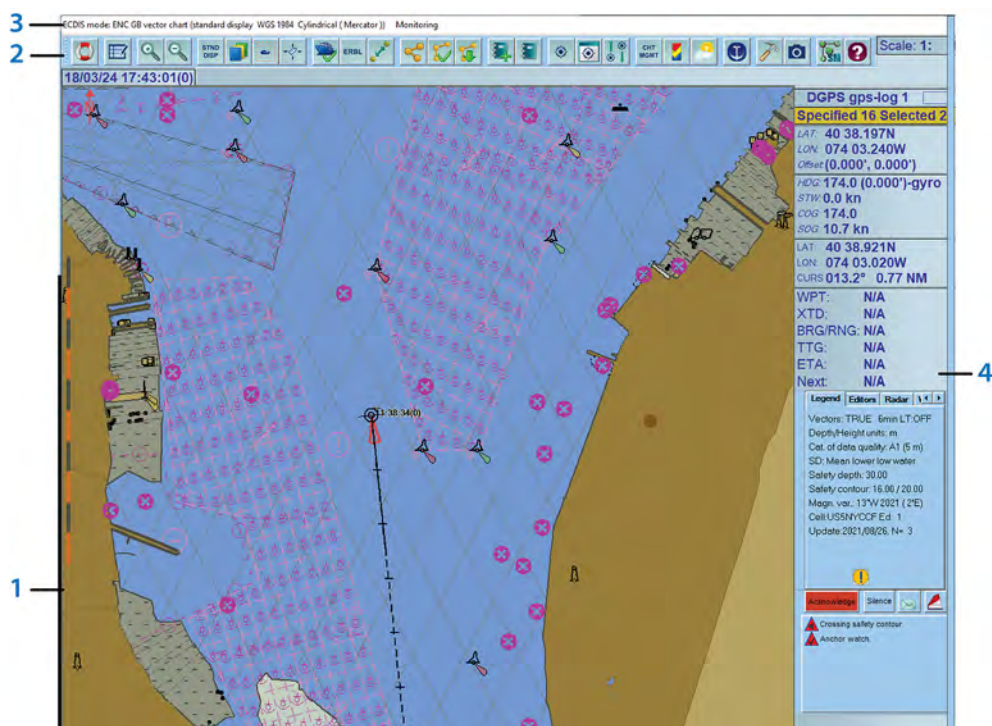
→ **Note:** The captured image cannot be opened if there is no PDF reader software installed in the ECDIS computer.

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The user interface

The main window

The main window is divided into predefined areas as shown in the figure below.



- 1 Chart area
- 2 Toolbar panel
- 3 Window title bar
- 4 Console area

Window title

The window title bar is a section at the top of the main window which displays the name of the application.

When ECDIS mode is active, the name of the currently used chart database will be displayed (Example: S57 HO ENC or RCDS)

ECDIS mode: HO ENC vector chart (full information display WGS 1984(Global Definition) Cylindrical) Monitoring

RCDS mode: Oslofjorden - Southern Part (3159) - European 1950 (-0.03, -0.08) Monitoring

When S57 ENC chart is active, the following information will be shown in the title bar:

- Type of layer display
- Currently used datum
- Type of projection
- Type of ECDIS workstation

When raster chart is active, the following information will be shown in the title bar:

- Name of the active chart
- Chart number
- Datum of the chart
- Datum shift with WGS84
- Type of ECDIS workstation

Toolbar panel

The **Toolbar** panel provides quick access to common functions directly related to the watch officer's duties.



Man over board icon



New logbook record icon



Event icon



Logbook icon



Zoom in icon



Set manual target icon



Zoom out icon



Target table icon



Standard Display icon



Target prediction icon



Select Area icon



Chart management icon



Auto centering icon



Left-click: **Show/Hide Tide stations and ocean current**
Right-click: **Tide stations**



Centre on Ship icon



Weather handling icon



Left-click: **Ship properties**
Right-click: **Ship profiles**



Left-click: **Show ports**
Right-click: **Port list**



Left-click: **Conning to point, range and bearing**
Right-click: **Bow to point range and bearing**



Options icon



Point to point range and bearing icon



Print icon



Left-click: **New route**
Right-click: **SAR**



Activate Sensor Monitor (SM) icon



Route plan icon



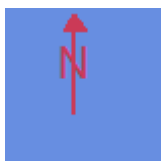
Help icon



Load/Unload objects icon

Chart area

The Chart area is a graphical representation of vector or raster charts based on IEC standards. This enables users to view all aspects of safety, interoperability, efficiency, compatibility and environmental impact of ECDIS900.



North symbol

The North symbol enables users to view that the top of the chart is the true north not a magnetic north towards which a compass points. It is always displayed at the top left corner of the chart area.

→ **Note:** If the North direction is not the same for all displayed charts, then the North direction is dependent on the position and location of the vessel.



Console area

The console area contains a number of different data displays, indicators, and panels, such as ship position, speed and direction, active waypoint, time and scale.

The console area settings are password protected. Refer to "*Security and system settings*" on page 26 for more details.

When the settings are available for editing, the following parameters can be changed:

- Show and hide panels
- Change color, size, and name of fonts
- Freeze and unfreeze the current console configuration.

To modify the settings, refer to "*Configuring console options*" on page 27.

The alarm panel displays alarms and warnings, and includes the alarm acknowledge function.

The legend panel displays a legend and information about the loaded S57 cells under the ship's position and provides indication for **Better chart exists** and **NON-ENC data on display**. For more details, see "*Legend panel*" on page 24.

The editors panel gives access to edition tools to work on the electronic chart and add user defined data. Refer to "*Editors overview*" on page 148 for more details.

The route monitoring panels enables users to manage active waypoints, determine the fixed ETA, and manage waypoint ETA. Refer to "*Route monitoring*" on page 105 for more details.

Time indicator

The time information is displayed in the **Time** panel.

The ECDIS900 operates and displays the local time, which is calculated from UTC time and time zone information.

The mariner is responsible for the manual selection of the time zone.

The mariner can adjust the UTC time manually or choose UTC time to be automatically adjusted from the GPS.

→ **Note:** The ECDIS900 time format is encoded and is not linked with the Windows settings. The ECDIS900 always displays the local time with the time zone information.

Route and local time

According to the time zone map, the ECDIS900 automatically assigns a time zone for each waypoint and calculates the ETA in local time.

→ **Note:** The mariner can manually adjust the time zone for each waypoint. To modify the time zone, refer to "*Waypoint properties*" on page 113.

Use PC time option

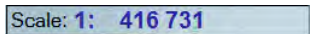
Tick on/off the **Use PC Time** check box to synchronize Windows time settings with the ECDIS900.

Scale indicator

Current scale

Displays the current scale of the chart. The panel can be located in the console area or in the toolbar area.

Below is an example of an approved scale view:



Overscale

If the current scale is two times larger than the compilation scale of the ENC cell, the scale panel displays an overscale warning. The panel is highlighted in yellow and the OVCS message is displayed.

The overscale rate is displayed in the brackets.

If the rate is less than two (2), the standard scale panel is highlighted in yellow.

Below is an example of an overscale view:



The overscale warning is also displayed on the Legend panel. Refer to "*Legend panel*" on page 24 for more details.

→ **Note:** Other scale warnings also displays the **Better chart exists** message. This message is displayed in the Legend panel normally for ships with ENC cell charts that has a larger scale than the current chart in use.

Navigation mode panel

GPS mode

The GPS or D.R. (Dead Reckoning) panel displays the current navigation mode.

The default standard mode is the GPS mode. The GPS name and data quality bar are displayed on the panel.

If no data is received, the system switches to the D.R. mode and the **NO POSITION** warning message is displayed.

When communication with the GPS is restored, the system reverts to the GPS mode.

Multi GPS

The ECDIS900 can receive data from several GPS devices. If more than one GPS is connected, one of the GPS must have the Master role.

To change the Master GPS, right-click on the panel and select GPS from the menu.

If the Master GPS data has worse quality than one of the slave GPS, the GPS panel is highlighted in yellow. It is recommended to switch to the GPS with the best received data.

→ **Note:** The mariners can change the Master GPS in the Monitoring station only. Master GPS is synchronized in the all ECDIS workstations connected to the network.

Simulation mode

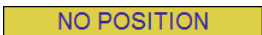
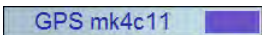
Simulation mode can be manually activated from the Ship properties panel.

When the GPS fails and no log/gyro data are available, the **NO POSITION** warning message is displayed.

The ship position panel displays a dotted line and a red cross on top of the ship's icon to indicate the simulation. The **S** symbol is displayed on the chart area.

Replay mode

The Navigational panel switches to Replay mode when VDR Replay or a logbook replay is activated. Refer to "*Replay*" on page 143 for more details.



Other panels

Safety contour panel

When vector charts are in use, two different depth values are displayed in the Safety contour panel:

- The safety contour value that is selected and added by the mariner.
- The safety contour that is available in the chart cell located under the ship's position.

→ **Note:** If ECDIS does not find a safety contour equal to the selected value, it selects the contour with the nearest bigger value.

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To change the value for safety contour, refer to "*Chart depths*" on page 55.

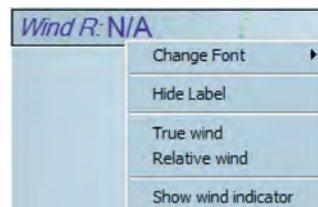
Wind panel

The wind panel displays either True (Wind T) or Relative (Wind R) wind values.

Right-click on the panel to open the wind panel menu.

Wind T: N/A

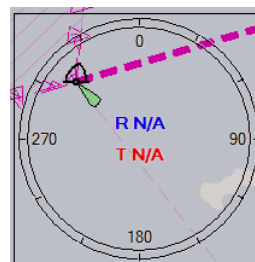
→ **Note:** A wind sensor should be connected to the ECDIS system.



Select the True or Relative wind setting from the menu to specify the wind value to be displayed in the panel.

Select **Show wind indicator** from the menu to display the wind indicator on the chart. To move it on the chart, hover the cursor over it, hold down the left mouse key and then drag-and-drop it to the desired location.

→ **Note:** The indicator is transparent.



Depth panel

The depth panel displays either the depth below the transducer, below the keel or below the surface.

To switch between the values, right-click in the panel and select the appropriate menu item.

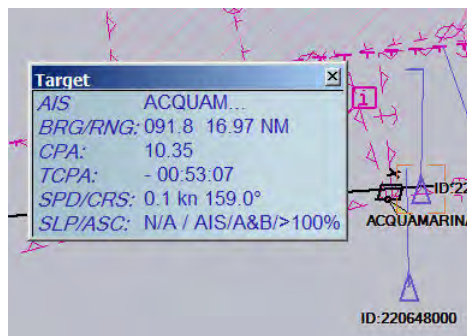
→ **Note:** A depth sensor should be connected to the ECDIS system.

Waypoint panels

For a complete description of the different panels related to waypoint and route monitoring, refer to "*Route monitoring*" on page 105.

Target panel

Click on a target to select it. The target panel displays information about the selected target.



Tools panel

The Tools panel consists of the following tabs:

- Legend
- Editors
- Radar
- Weather
- Active leg

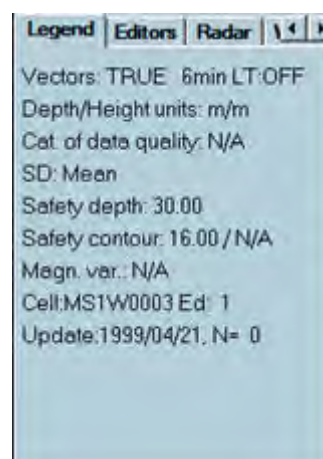
Click on the tab name to switch between Tool panels.

Legend panel

The **Legend** panel displays information about the loaded ENC cells or raster chart under the ship's position and indicate some alerts.

It also enables users to view the following:

- The vector type (True/Relative)
- The depth and height units
- Quality of the data
- The sounding datum
- Safety depth information
- The safety contour information
- The magnetic variation
- Edition number and cell name in the center of the screen
- The last applied ENC update
- Indications and warnings



Quality of the ENC data

- A11: Chart of 5m accuracy with sea floor coverage
- A21: Chart of 20m accuracy with sea floor coverage
- B01: Chart of 50m accuracy from standard survey
- C01: Low accuracy or incomplete chart
- D01: Unreliable chart
- U01: Chart with quality not assessed

Indications warnings

The warnings can be indicated with highlighted texts and icons that are displayed in the Legend panel.

Warnings can be as follows:

- An **Overscale** message indication that is displayed when the chart is overscaled.
- A **Better chart exists** warning message that is displayed when the ship position is covered by an ENC at a scale larger than the scale provided for the display.
- When the displayed area includes waters for which no HO ENC is available, the area is symbolized with green color which means that the mariner has to refer to the paper charts.
- An **ENC data available** warning that is displayed when ARCS is used in an area where ENC data is available under the ship position.
- **NON ENC data on display** will appear when unofficial data is on the visible charts, such as an object created with editor function or the ENC cell has been produced by unknown hydrographic office.

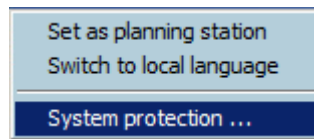
The following icons are displayed in the event a setting is reconfigured:

Icon	Description
	CPA/TCPA monitoring is OFF
	Standard display is customized
	Danger monitoring is OFF
	Danger display is OFF
	Chart date is different from the current system date
	Object Editor in active chart

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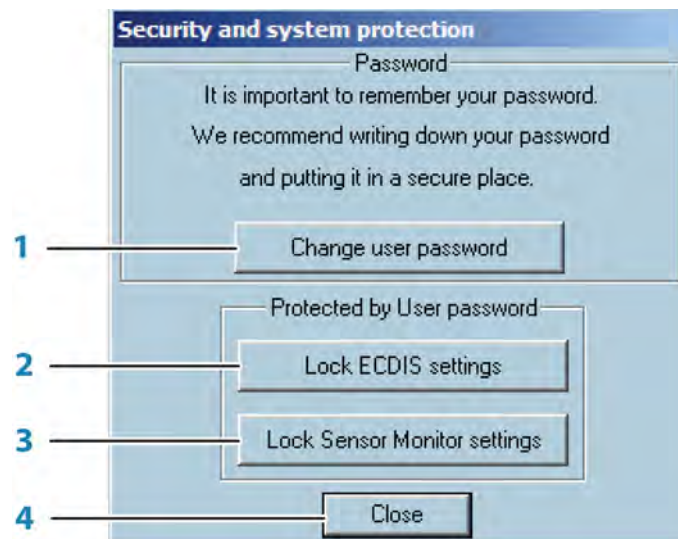
Security and system settings

System username and passwords



This option enables mariners to manage passwords and protect the Sensor monitor and the ECDIS system.

Double right-click the Window title bar and select **System protection** to display the **Security and system protection** dialog. The system will prompt a dialog similar to the following example:



1 Change user password button

Click once to display the **Change password** input dialog

2 Lock/Unlock ECDIS settings button

Click to lock/unlock the ECDIS settings. When the ECDIS settings are locked, users cannot modify the following:

- Ship parameters
- GPS and radar antenna positions
- Alarm settings
- Ship display parameters
- Safety settings (safety contour, safety depth, safety height, deep contour)
- Console options

To unlock and modify the ECDIS settings, enter the correct password and click OK.

3 Lock Sensor Monitor settings button

Click to lock/unlock the Sensor monitor settings. When the Sensor monitor settings are locked, users cannot add new sensors and modify the settings.

To unlock the Sensor monitor settings, enter the correct password and click OK.

4 Close button

Click to close the **Security and system protection** dialog

→ **Note:** There is no default user password after the ECDIS900 has been installed. It is strongly recommended that after the ECDIS is configured, passwords should be added and the ability to change configuration settings should be tightly controlled. This will help ensure the operational reliability and security of the ECDIS and supporting systems.

To reset your password, contact NAVICO at cmd.service@navico.com.



ECDIS settings option

From the toolbar panel, click the **Options** button to open the **ECDIS settings option** dialog.

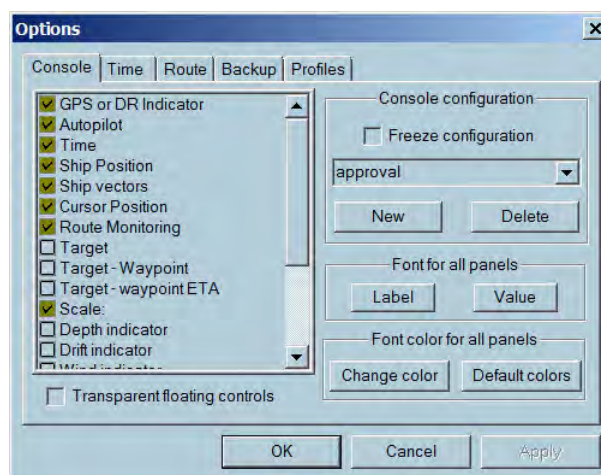
This enables mariners to manage the following:

- Customize the console layout
- Adjust the ECDIS local time and chart time
- Select the route parameters by default
- Create back-up and restore user data
- Customize the display and settings

→ **Note:** The **Console** tab is not visible if ECDIS settings are locked.

Configuring console options

The data acquired from the sensors that are connected to the ECDIS system is displayed in the console area. The layout of the console area can be adjusted according to the available sensors and the selected tools according to OOW preferences and task at hand.



It is possible to predefine several configurations of the console layout in order to use an appropriate layout according to the current type of work. For example, a configuration can be defined for route monitoring displaying only active waypoint, drift and target information. Another configuration can also be defined for docking including Ship's parameters, drift and the cursor position.

→ **Note:** The settings are password protected. To unlock, refer to "*Security and system settings*" on page 26.

Creating a configuration

The **Default** and **Approval** configurations are installed by default.

To create a new configuration, follow the steps below:

1. Click the **New** button.
2. Enter a desired name.
3. From the list, select the different panels you want to be displayed in the Console area.
4. Adjust the size, type and font colors.
5. Click the **OK** button to save.
 - To move the panel, drag and drop the panel to a desired location in the screen.

→ **Note:** If the panel is dragged outside of the console area it is displayed as a floating window.

Transparency floating control option

Select the option to display the panel with transparency on the chart.

Lock a configuration

It is recommended to lock the editing once the configuration is properly defined to avoid unwanted changes.

To lock, tick the **Freeze configuration** checkbox.

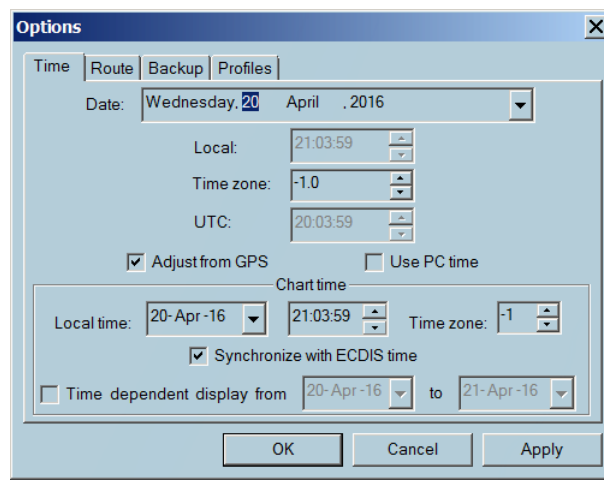
Loading a configuration

The **Console configuration options** dialog enables mariners to choose an existing configuration to be defined in the system.

Select from the drop down list and click the **Apply** button.

Configuring ECDIS time settings

The ECDIS900 system operates using local time. Local time is calculated from UTC time and time zone information.



The UTC time is adjusted from GPS by default.

Check the **Adjust from GPS** checkbox to set the time based on the GPS data.

Uncheck the **Adjust from GPS** and **Use PC time** checkbox to manually set the UTC date and time.

Check the **Use PC time** checkbox to use the PC date and time.

→ **Note:** The time zone is by default displayed with the plus + sign in Western hemisphere and the minus - sign for the Eastern hemisphere.

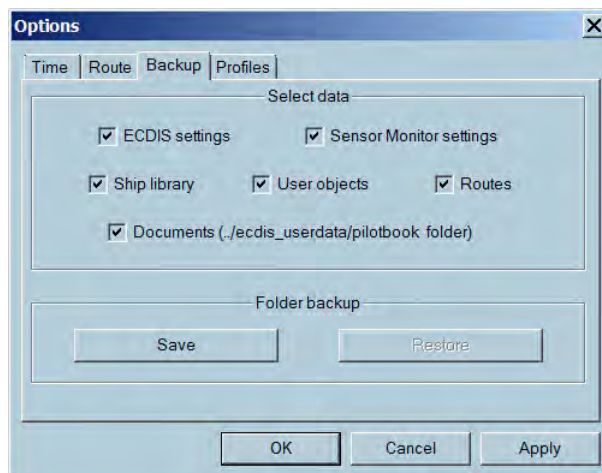
The **Chart time area** contains time and date parameters for the charts. By default, the parameters are synchronized with the ECDIS time. When the synchronization is off, the warning symbol is displayed on the Legend panel.

To display time dependent objects, tick the **Time dependent display** checkbox and set the required dates.

Configuring back-up data

To save a back-up data, select the type of data by ticking on/off the checkbox and click the **Save** button.

Data can be saved in the hard disk or in any computer connected in the LAN.

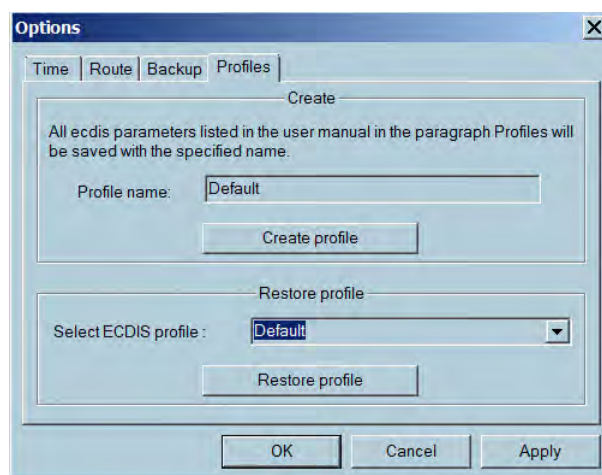


Restoring data

Click the **Restore** button and select the back-up folder to restore all data.

⚠ Warning: The restored data replaces the current data used by ECDIS and data created after the back-up will be lost.

Creating profiles



You can save custom ECDIS parameters configuration as a specified profile.

Once the configuration has been defined, set the profile name, and click the **Create profile** button.

To use one of the saved profiles, select the profile from the drop-down list, and click the **Restore profile** button.

Refer to "*Profile configuration parameters*" on page 181 for list of parameters.

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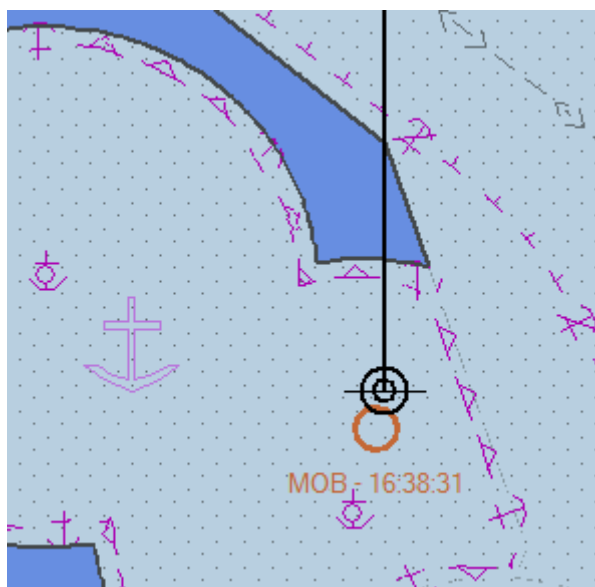
Tools for safe navigation

Man over board (MOB)

This enables users to keep an **MOB** waypoint record of the exact location that someone went overboard and send AIS warnings to other vessels. The AIS warning alerts nearby vessels to request assistance in the rescue operation or simply to stay clear as the situation requires.



→ **Note:** This function is only available on the Monitoring workstation.



The MOB waypoint

A new log entry is stored in the logbook with the **MOB** position and navigation parameters.

→ **Note:** To delete an **MOB**, select the **MOB** waypoint, right-click and select **Delete** on the pop-up menu.

To view and manage the properties of a waypoint, right-click the selected waypoint and click **Properties** from the pop-up menu.

Log

Settings

Log book Recording ON

Starting date/time: 04/26/2016 00:00:19

30 seconds recording frequency

Settings

VDR replay

Time (UTC)	LAT	LON	Event type	Comment	COG	SOG	HDG
00:16:03	51 49.871N	004 04.935E	-	Man over board - ...	-	-	-
00:00:19	51 49.871N	004 04.935E	Ship watch	Cell: MS2W1303.0...	0.00	0.0	0.00
00:00:49	51 49.871N	004 04.935E	Ship watch	Cell: MS2W1303.0...	0.00	0.0	0.00

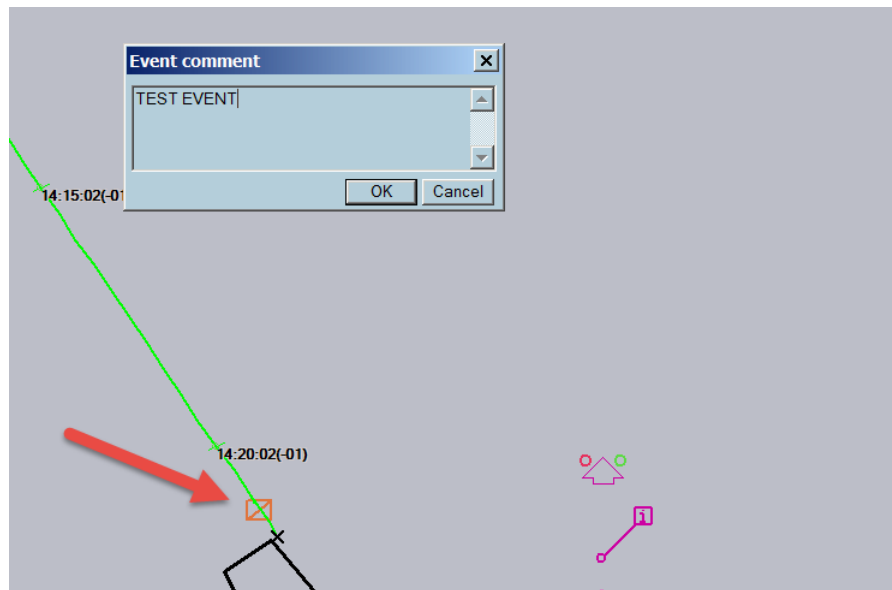
→ **Note:** An AIS sensor must be configured properly in Sensor Monitor. Refer to Installation manual.

→ **Note:** AIS SRM message is sent after confirmation.

Adding an event

To plot a new point on the chart at the ships location, click the **Event** icon and enter comments in the dialog.

Click the **OK** button to save the event information.



The event information displays the time of the event (UTC), course over ground to the next waypoint (COG), speed over ground (SOG), and user comments.



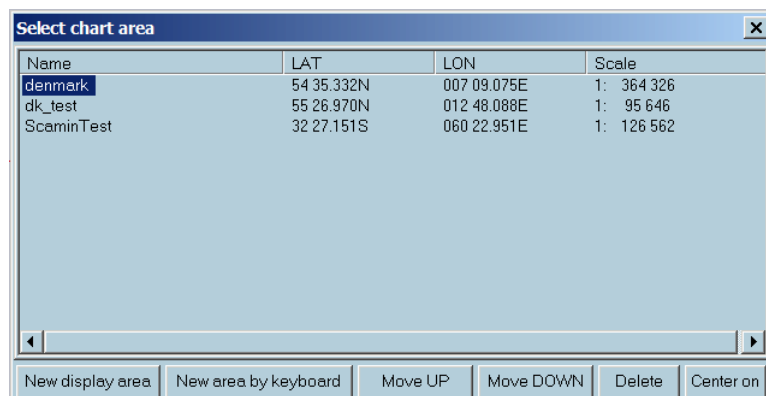
Selecting chart area

To view the predefined scale of your chart area, click the **Select area** icon from the toolbar panel.



A chart area is defined by:

- Name
- LAT (latitude)
- LON (longitude)
- Scale



Creating new display area

To create or record the current position of the chart area, click the **New display area** button and input the desired name of the newly added chart area.

Creating a new display area manually

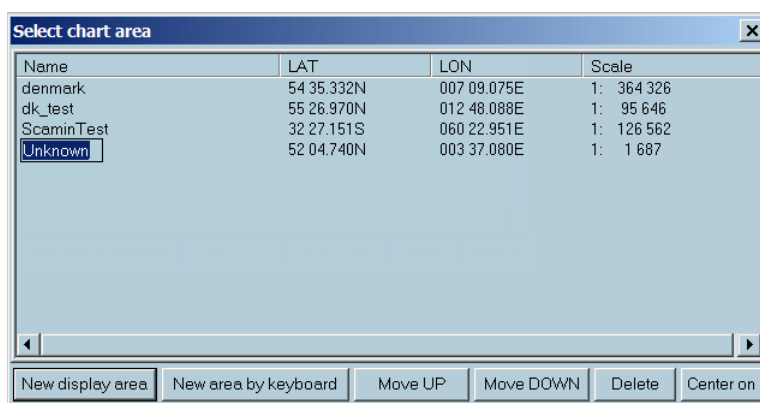
To create a position of a chart area manually, click the **New area by keyboard** button and input the desired name, LAT, LON and scale. Click the **OK** button to save the changes.

→ **Note:** To switch the current chart area to a new chart area, double-click the chart name or select the chart name and click the **Center on** button.

Creating a new display area

To set a new display area of the charts, follow the steps below:

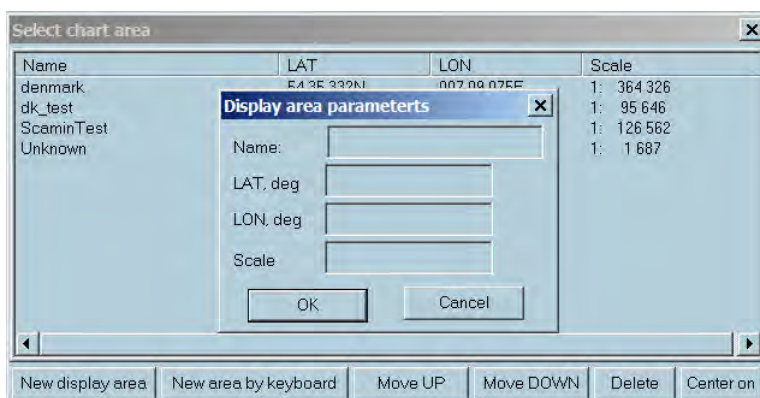
1. Move the chart to the desired position and select a preferred scale.
2. Click the **Select area** icon once to display the **Select chart area** dialog.
3. Click the **New display area** button once. An **Unknown** chart name is automatically created with the geographical center and scale.
4. Change the auto populated chart name to desired chart name.
5. Close the window.



Creating new area by keyboard

To set a new chart area using keyboard, follow the steps below:

1. Click the **New area by keyboard** button once to display the **Display area parameters** dialog.
2. Enter the name, the latitude and longitude of the point center of the screen, and the scale.
3. Click the **OK** button to save the newly created display preferences or **Cancel** button to exit or discard the changes.



Deleting the chart area

To delete a chart area, follow the steps below:

1. Click the **Select area** icon once to display the **Select chart area** dialog.
2. Select the name of the chart area to be deleted.
3. Click **Delete** button to delete the selected area.

- **Note:** A list of chart areas is created for every specific type of chart. The list created for ENC chart is valid only for this type and cannot be used with ARCS charts and vice versa.

Center on ship

To center the chart on the ship, click on the **Center on ship** icon. The chart will automatically be centered on the ship.



- **Note:** Center on ship is a one-time action.

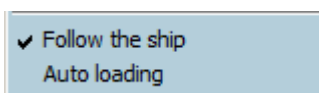
To enable automatic chart scrolling according to the ship's movements, right-click anywhere on the chart and select **Follow the ship** from the list.

- **Note:** You can also press **F3** key to center the chart on the ship's position and activate the **Follow the ship** function.

Auto centering

Click on the **Auto centering** icon to define a **centering zone**.

When the **Follow ship** option is enabled, the chart will adjust accordingly, following the ship's motion when it is out of the centering zone.



The centering zone can be static or dynamic. The current type depends on the ship's heading.

Static centering zone

The **Auto centering** function defines the centering zone according to the ship's heading.

For example, when a ship is heading north, you define a rectangle located at the bottom of the window in order to display a chart area as large as possible in front of the ship. This zone is defined by default as a rectangle located in the middle of the screen.

Dynamic centering zone

Using a dynamic centering zone guarantees that you always have the largest chart displayed in front of the ship, even when the heading changes.

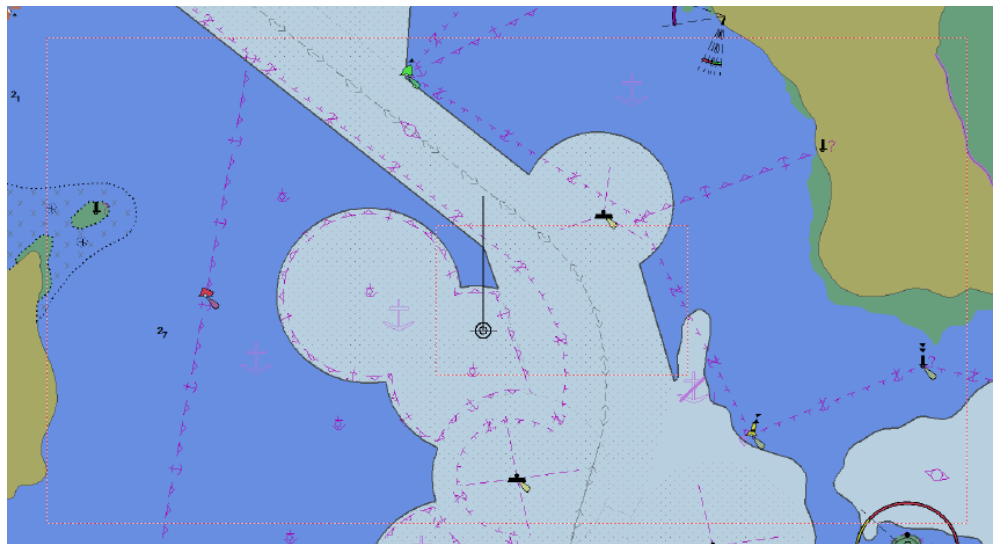
After the zone is defined, the ECDIS900 dynamically sets the centering zone according to the heading.

For example, if the ship sails North East, the ECDIS900 moves the centering zone to the bottom left of the screen and if the ship changes course to South, the zone is moved to the center top of the screen.

Click the **Auto centering** button to display the current centering rectangle.

The auto-centering can be defined as follows:

- Two red dotted line rectangles are drawn on the chart: the current centering zone (the smaller rectangle) and the rectangle defining the limits of the dynamic zones.
 - To leave the centering rectangle unchanged and to delete it, click on the **Auto centering** button again.
 - To define a new centering rectangle, locate the cursor at one corner of the desired zone then hold and drag to draw the appropriate zone.
 - If a new rectangle meets the rectangle that defines the limits of dynamic zones, a dynamic centering zone is defined.
- **Note:** After the new rectangle is defined, the auto-centering function is disabled. Click the **Auto centering** button again to enable it.



Targets

Setting a target

To plot a manual target, click on the **Set target** icon.

For more details about manual targets, see *"Manual target"* on page 119.



Target list

To display the target list, click on **Target list** button.

- Double-click on the target name to center the chart on the target.
- Click on the title to sort out the targets.



The ECDIS900 acquires target via serial line from AIS transponder and ARPA radar connected to the system or using SIMRAD radar interface kit. Refer to *"Target display"* on page 118 for more details.

19 targets in the table, (AIS: 14)

Vessel name	MMSI	CPA	TCPA	Range/Bearing	Ship type	Call sign	Navigation s...	Position
4 (SIMUTECH)	4	0.76nm	-17.5min	3.22nm 7.7°	N/A	N/A	N/A	40 41.393N 074 02.673W
3 (SIMUTECH)	3	0.48nm	31.0min	5.56nm 169.0°	N/A	N/A	N/A	40 32.738N 074 01.848W
2 (SIMUTECH)	2	0.17nm	0.4min	0.19nm 109.0°	N/A	N/A	N/A	40 38.138N 074 03.004W
1 (SIMUTECH)	1	0.39nm	1.1min	0.44nm 236.9°	N/A	N/A	N/A	40 37.959N 074 03.724W
5 (SIMUTECH)	5	0.36nm	-7.5min	1.38nm 338.8°	N/A	N/A	N/A	40 39.487N 074 03.896W
AIS ID: 21	21	4.26nm	56.0min	7.44nm 160.8°	N/A	N/A	Under way ...	40 31.170N 074 00.038W
AIS ID: 24	24	6.41nm	57.4min	7.10nm 188.6°	N/A	N/A	Under way ...	40 31.171N 074 04.628W
AIS ID: 20	20	8.20nm	63.4min	14.00nm 210.1°	N/A	N/A	Under way ...	40 26.072N 074 12.432W
AIS GLADIATOR	1	9.66nm	2.3min	9.69nm 136.4°	N/A	N/A	Under way ...	40 31.173N 073 54.483W
AIS CHEROKEE	4	5.73nm	138.8min	7.21nm 167.1°	N/A	N/A	Under way ...	40 31.171N 074 01.129W
AIS VERMONT QUEEN	7	7.14nm	27.6min	9.51nm 164.8°	N/A	N/A	Under way ...	40 29.019N 073 59.975W
AIS RIO PLATO	11	7.05nm	46.2min	7.31nm 163.8°	N/A	N/A	Under way ...	40 31.170N 074 00.569W
AIS ID: 3	3	7.52nm	20.7min	9.60nm 157.4°	N/A	N/A	Under way ...	40 29.326N 073 58.409W
AIS STATEN RANGER	6	N/A	N/A	753.00nm 222...	N/A	N/A	Under way ...	30 54.023N 083 50.463W
AIS KEYPORT WONDER	10	9.42nm	-3.7min	9.45nm 207.3°	N/A	N/A	Under way ...	40 29.793N 074 08.916W
AIS ID: 2	2	9.26nm	1.1min	9.27nm 150.7°	N/A	N/A	Under way ...	40 30.109N 073 57.282W
AIS QUASAR	5	2.74nm	-17.6min	6.16nm 42.5°	N/A	N/A	Under way ...	40 42.744N 073 57.775W
AIS ID: 9	9	4.97nm	-20.1min	7.72nm 54.0°	N/A	N/A	Under way ...	40 42.743N 073 55.026W
AIS NEW DAWN	8	9.66nm	-5.7min	9.83nm 229.5°	N/A	N/A	Under way ...	40 31.796N 074 13.039W

Hide targets Draw relative vectors Lost targets... AIS messages... Customize table... Start AIS server...

Show and hide targets

Click the **Hide target** button to hide the targets. All targets are hidden except the target on CPA/TCPA alarms which are displayed anyway.

You can also use the **F5** shortcut key to show and hide targets.

Relative vector

Click the **Draw relative vector** button to display the targets with relative vector. A relative vector is displayed in dotted line to distinguish from an absolute vector.

True vectors are displayed in solid lines.

Press the **V** key to switch between True vector to Relative vector.

AIS message, start and stop AIS server

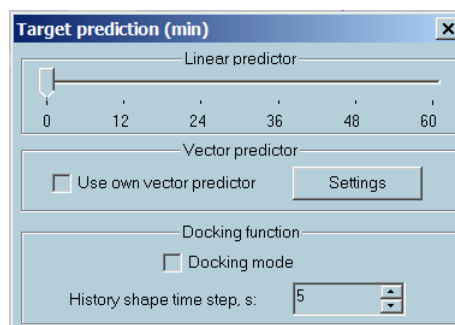
The system allows sending and receiving short messages to/from another AIS. Click the **AIS messages...** button to display the **AIS messaging** dialog.

Customize table

Click **Customize table** to display the **Customize target table** dialog and select the items you want to display.

Target prediction

1. To predict the position of the ship and any ARPA targets, click the **Target prediction** icon.
2. To display the ship and target positions according to their current course and speed, scroll the slider to the desired point of time (in minutes).



3. Tick the **Use own vector predictor** checkbox to calculate the future positions according to the current course and speed. The displayed positions on the screen are predicted.

Loading/Unloading objects

Routes and tracks are stored in the database.

Click the **Load/Unload objects** button to load/unload routes or tracks.



→ **Note: Load** displays routes or tracks on the chart.

→ **Note: Unload** erases routes or tracks from the chart.

Refer to "Charts" on page 51 or "Routes" on page 89 in this document.

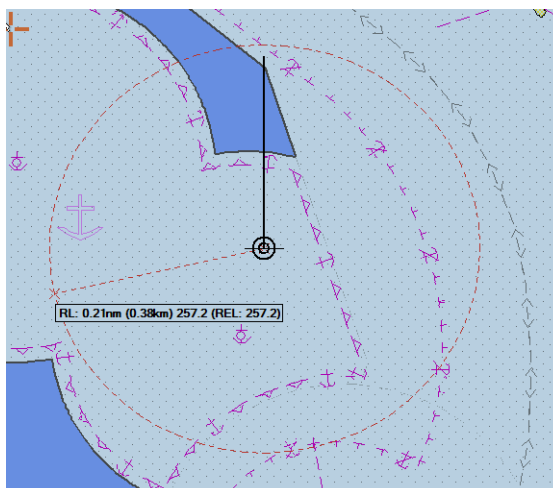
Ship to point, range and bearing

1. To set a point at a fixed range and bearing from the ship, click the **Ship to point, range and bearing** button.



The cursor will appear as a cross with a circle attached to it. The actual range and bearing data is also displayed and measured from the conning position defined in ship parameter.

2. Move the cursor to the desired position (range and bearing) and click to fix the point.

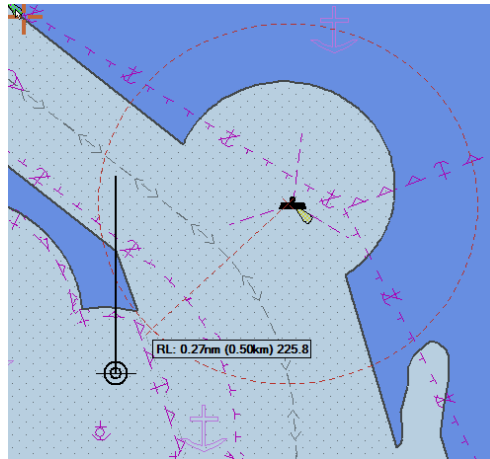


→ **Note:** Use the object menu for removing a single VRM/EBL. To remove all VRM/EBL, use the **Delete** key from the keyboard or the **Clean chart** function from the chart menu.

Point to point, range and bearing



1. To set two points at a fixed range and bearing from each other, click the **Point to point, range and bearing** button.
2. The cursor appears as a cross. Move it to the first desired position and click to fix the point. When the cursor is in motion, it has a circle attached to it and the actual range and bearing data, measured from the first point is also displayed.
3. Move the cursor to the desired second position (range and bearing) and click to fix the second point.



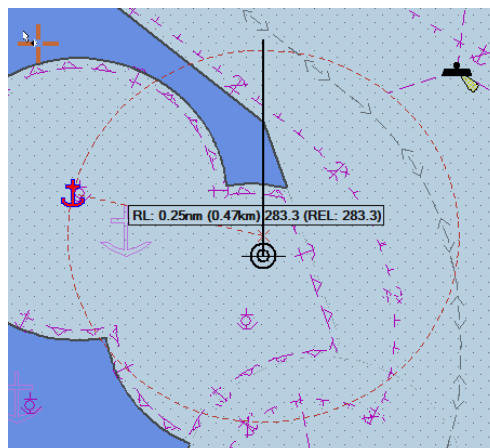
→ **Note:** Use the Object menu to remove a single EBL/VRM. To remove all EBL/VRM, press the **Delete** key from the keyboard or select the **Clean chart** function from the chart menu.

Ship to anchoring point, range and bearing



1. Right-click the **Ship to point, range and bearing** icon and plot an anchoring point on the chart.

The information window displays the range and bearing from the bow of the ship to the anchoring point and the ETA.



2. The position of the VRM/EBL popup window is user adjustable. Left-click and drag to reposition the prompt window.

Modifying the ship properties

Click the **Ship properties** icon from the toolbar to display the **Ship properties** dialog. This enables users to manage vessel information, settings and parameters.



Updating the vessel information

To modify the ship name, type and size, follow the steps below:

1. Click the **Ship properties** icon to display the **Ship properties** dialog.
2. Select the **General** tab and modify the vessel parameters accordingly.

- **Note:** **Call Sign** and **IMO number** are password protected and can only be modified if the correct password is entered.
- **Note:** The ship parameters are transferred to AIS if ECDIS is interfaced to an AIS device once the Ship properties dialog is closed.

Modifying the voyage information

1. In the **Navigation status** option, select your current navigation status from the drop-down list. In the **Type of cargo** option, select the type of voyage from the drop-down list.

2. Enter the number of persons on board.
3. Tick the **Manual entry** checkbox and fill in the **Destination** and **ETA** fields.

The cargo types meet the AIS specifications and are defined as follows:

- DG: Dangerous Goods
- HS: Hazardous Substances
- MP: Marine Pollutants

There are four (4) levels of hazard:

- Level 1: Major hazard (**A**)
- Level 2: Hazard (**B**)
- Level 3: Minor hazard (**C**)
- Level 4: Recognizable hazard (**D**)

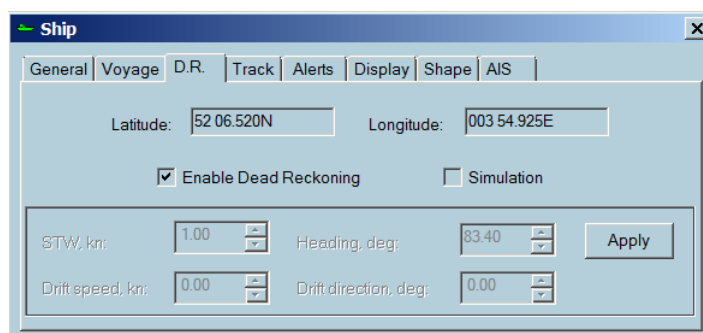
When **Manual entry** option is not selected, the Destination and ETA are automatically filled in when a route is activated. The destination is the destination entered in the Route properties and the ETA is continuously updated by ECDIS.

To send this information to AIS, open the Sensor Monitor, double-click on the AIS Transponder item, and click the **More settings** button. Tick on the **Send data to the transponder** checkbox.

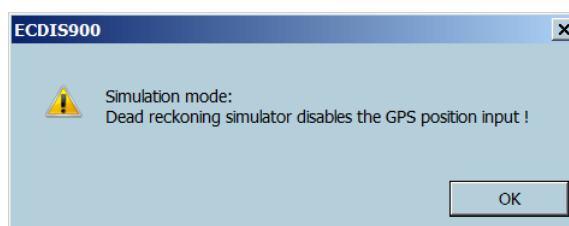
- **Note:** The transfer to AIS transponder is available if the ECDIS is interfaced with an AIS transponder. The changes are sent when the Ship properties dialog is closed.

Enabling D.R.

1. Click the **D.R.** tab to display the Dead Reckoning dialog.



2. Tick on/off the **Enable Dead Reckoning** to enable/disable Dead Reckoning option. When the Dead Reckoning mode is enabled, a warning message similar to the one shown below is displayed:

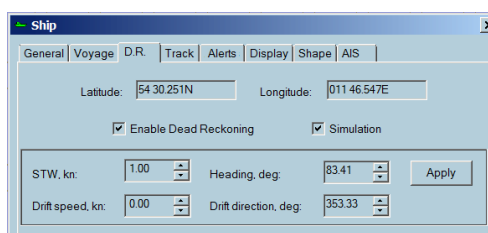


- **Note:** In the D.R. mode, the ship's position is calculated from the last position the system acquired from the GPS and from the current values of heading and speed. When the D.R. mode is active, the **Ship Position** values can be adjusted at any time on top of the page.

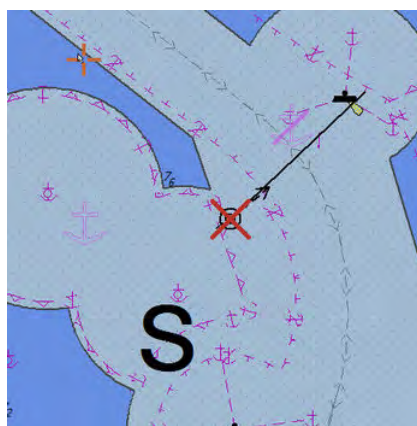
Simulation mode

The **Simulation** checkbox must be ticked on before heading and speed can be changed. Adjust the heading, STW, drift speed and the direction by entering new values using the keyboard or by clicking the up/down arrows.

The values added are used to calculate the COG and SOG.



- **Note:** In simulation mode the ship icon is displayed with a red cross and the ship position is not displayed in the position panel.



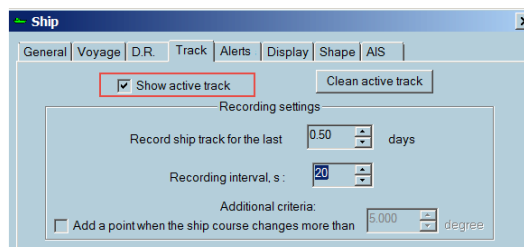
Managing track recordings

Click the **Track** tab to display the Track dialog.

Tick on/off the Show active track to show/hide the active tracks.

To set a desired number of recording days, use the arrows beside the Record ship track for the last option.

Use the arrow buttons to adjust the Recording Interval (in seconds).



Additional criteria

Tick on the **Add a point when the ship's course changes more than** and enter a value (in angle degree) in order to control more efficiently the track recording as and when the course changes.

The image above displays that the ECDIS records one point every 15 seconds and a point each time the ship's course changes by more than 5 degrees.

→ **Note:** Selecting a small time interval will generate a huge track file containing lots of points that are time consuming to display. The above example is the recommended value to avoid creating huge files and without losing important ship track information.

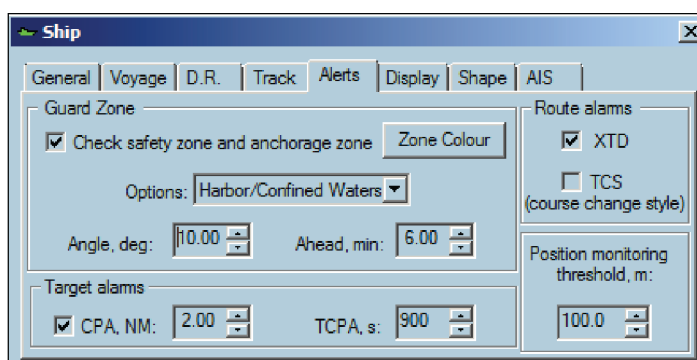
Configuring alerts

Click the **Alerts** tab to display the **Alerts** dialog.

The **Alerts** dialog enables mariners to control the activation of alarms for different events.

→ **Note:** The alert configurations are available for editing on the Monitoring station only.

→ **Note:** The alarm settings are blocked if ECDIS settings are locked. Refer to "*Security and system settings*" on page 26 for more information



Guard zone

Tick on/off the **Check safety zone and anchorage zone** to activate/deactivate this function.

A safety zone can be set in front of the ship for automatic monitoring inside the defined zone and the vessel's crossing.

The zone is defined as a cone by an angle and a distance.

Set values for angle and distance to define the cone shape of the zone.

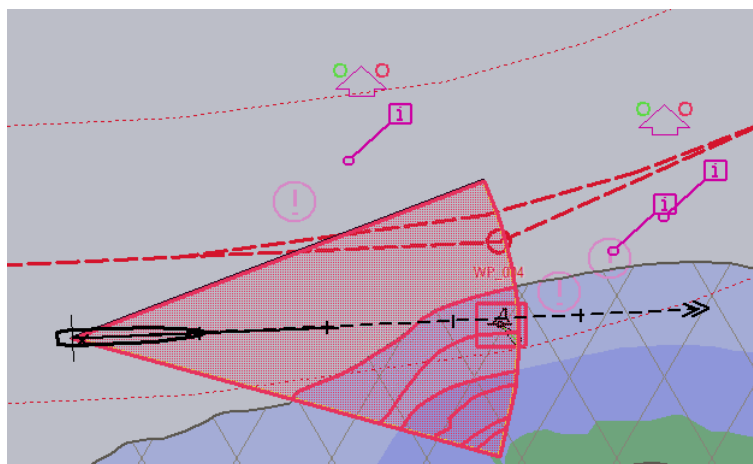
Dangers are highlighted by default and it is always highlighted when operating in the Planning workstation.

If danger highlighting is off, the warning icon is displayed on the Legend panel.



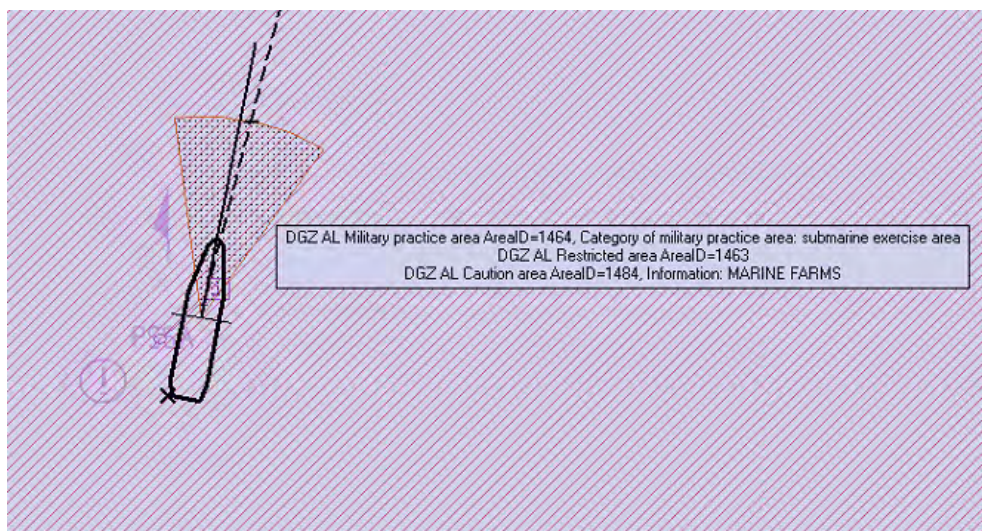
→ **Note:** Alarms are highlighted in red.

→ **Note:** Warnings are highlighted in yellow with black border.



→ **Note:** All dangers in all chart layers are highlighted. If a danger is not on the current visible layer, it is highlighted when it is in the guard zone sector.

Click inside a ship guard zone to view the list of dangers and display the detailed overview of the alarm type.



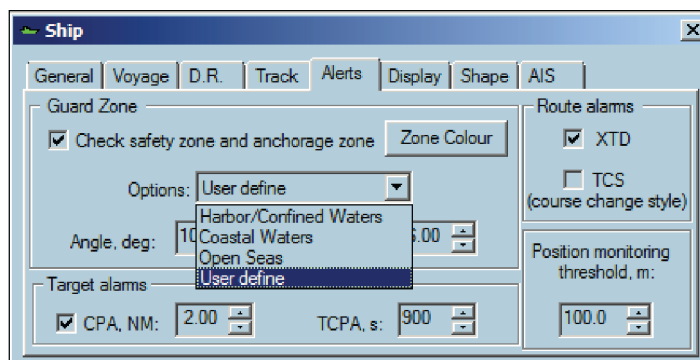
Other alarms

- CPA: Closest point of approach.
- TCPA: Time to closest time of approach.
- XTD: Cross Track Distance.
- TCS course changing style.

To enter the alarm criteria (e.g. XTD limits, the waypoint arrival limit, the first and second alarm time), refer to "*Route options*" on page 103.

NYK Guard Zone settings

The NYK group has established NYK standard values for safer navigation using ECDIS.

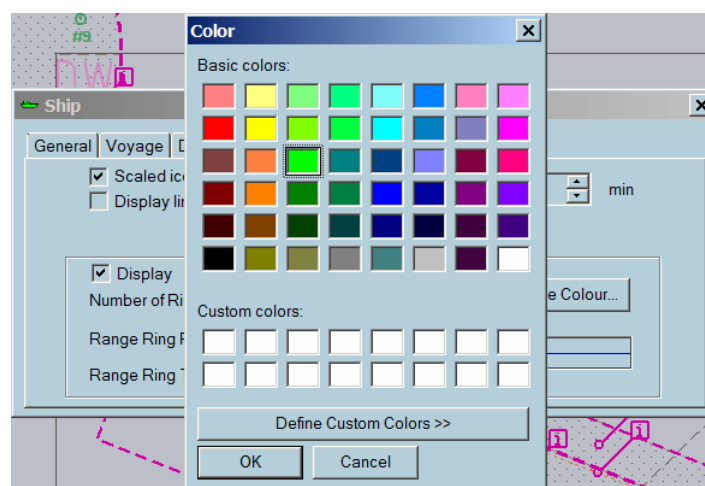


Display tab

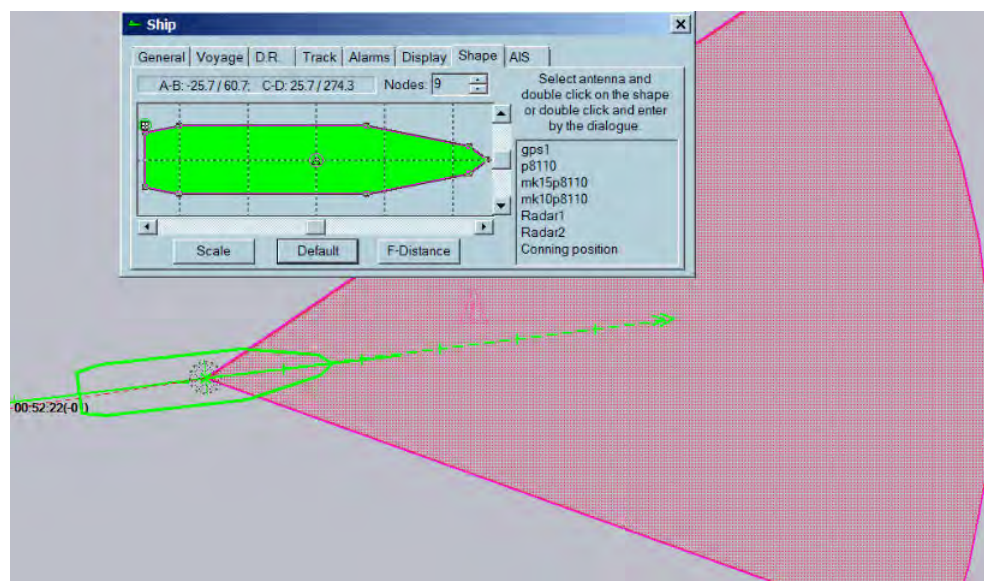
Color settings

You can define colors of the ship symbol and shape plot.

1. To set the color, click the **Day color** button. The color dialog is displayed.



2. Select the desired color and click OK to save the changes on the ship symbol color and shape plot color.

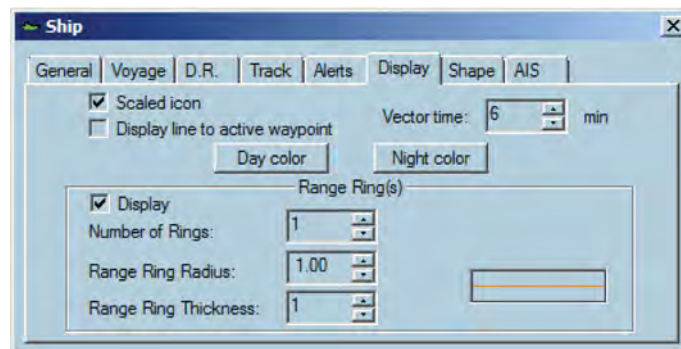


To change the night mode colors, click the **Night color** button and modify the colors.

→ **Note:** Color changes are only visible when the night mode is on.

Scaled icon

1. Tick on the **Scaled icon** check box to display the ship icon with its right scale.



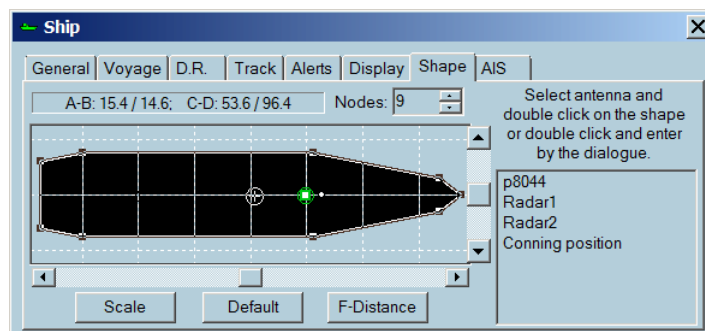
2. To **display a line to the active waypoint** tick on the proper check box.
3. Set the desired **Vector time** value. The length of both the ship's vector and the target's vector depends on the ship's speed and the vector time value.
4. Tick on **Display** to display Range circle(s) around the ship. Set values for:
 - Number of circles
 - Range circle radius
 - Range circle thickness

→ **Note:** When operating in the **Service mode**, the ship display color can be modified.

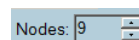
Shape tab

GPS antenna position

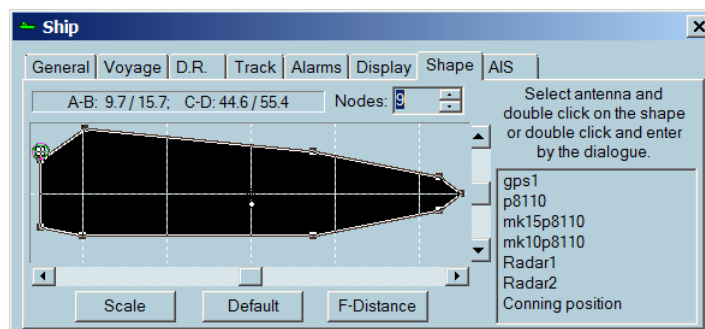
Click on the **Shape** tab to bring the Shape page to the front.



Set number of nodes manually.



To change a node location, click on the node on the shape plot and drag it. The node coordinates will change.



Click **Default** to set values to the default values.

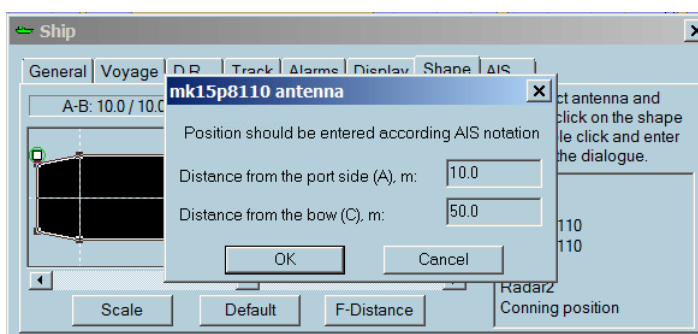
Click **Scale** to reset the scale of the window to enable the ship to fit inside.

GPS antenna

The GPS antenna is displayed as a circle with a cross inside it.

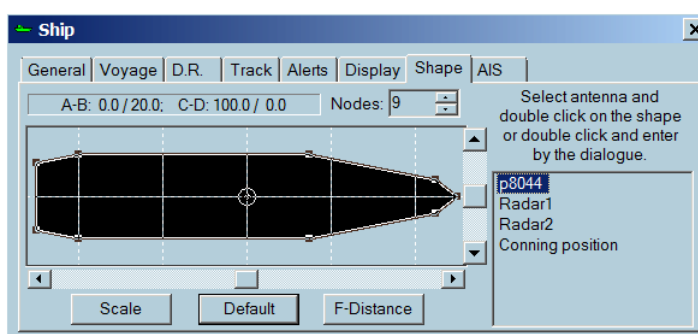
There are two ways to change the antenna position:

- Double click on the antenna's name in the list. The position settings dialog appears.



Set the position and click OK.

- Click on the antenna's name to select it.



When the item is selected double click on the desired position within the shape plot . The antenna's symbol changes its position.

The position of the antenna can be monitored within the box located at top right-hand corner of the window.

A-B: 9.7 / 15.7; C-D: 44.6 / 55.4

Where:

- **A** is the distance from the portside
- **B** is the distance from the starboard
- **C** is the distance from the bow
- **D** is the distance from the stern

Fixing a precise GPS antenna position is very important by reference to display the ship in the correct position, particularly when the chart is displayed with a precise scale and the ship at its correct scale.

→ **Note:** This operation is available in the Monitoring station mode only.

Radar antennas

Both Radar antennas are displayed as a white square. Their positions can be changed the same way as the GPS antenna.

The radar position affects the radar overlay display. To select the active antenna use the Radar tab on the console. See "*Radar*" on page 118.

Conning position

The conning position is used as the origin for VRM/EBL tool, the origin of the ship vectors, and ship guard zone. The conning antenna's symbol is a triangle. Its position can be changed the same way as the GPS antenna.

Turning

Click on the **F-Distance** button to enter the value of the distances the ship makes before turning.

Distance to start turn

Please fill in the table of distances the ship makes from the time you activate a turn til time the ship actually starts to turn. This distance is used in Active Leg tool for precise navigation in narrow waters and depend from the ship speed.

Select loading profile: **Ballast**

	Ballast	Medium	Loaded	
Speed 5 kn	70.0	70.0	71.0	m
Speed 10 kn	70.0	70.0	70.0	m
Speed 15 kn	70.0	70.0	70.0	m
Speed 20 kn	70.0	70.0	70.0	m
Speed 30 kn	70.0	70.0	70.0	m
Speed 40 kn	75.0	70.0	70.0	m

Pivot point distance from the bow
It's used as origin for XTD calculation
49.5 metr from the bow

Anchor position distance from the bow
10.0 metr from the bow

OK Cancel

This table is used in the Predictor module to calculate the future position of the ship when it turns.

For more details see the chapter "*Predictor*" on page 171.

AIS tab

If AIS is connected to the ECDIS workstation, ECDIS900 receives from the transponder the own ship's parameters set up in the AIS transponder.

The information is displayed in the AIS panel and the green icon displayed in front of the parameter indicates that the ECDIS900 setting is the same as the AIS setting for the selected parameter. If the icon is red the parameter in AIS is different from the parameter in ECDIS900.

Ship

General Voyage D.R. Track Alerts Display Shape AIS

Own AIS parameters.

Name	TANKER
MMSI	104
IMO number	77658844
Call sign	WXYZ
Navigation status	Under way using engine
Type of the ship	Tanker
Type of cargo	A: Carrying DG, HS, or MP, IMO hazard or pollutant
Dimensions, m	180 20 (A=150, B=30, C=15, D=5)
Draught, m	6.1

Update ship library

If any discrepancy occurs, ECDIS900 proposes to synchronize the data by using the data setup in AIS.

Show port list

To display the port icons on top of the chart, left-click on the **Port database** icon. Right-click on the port icon to access the ports database.



Tide and current information

Click the button **Show/Hide tide stations and ocean current** and icons showing the tide level are displayed at the tide stations locations. There are more than 2000 main tide stations available in ECDIS900.

→ **Note:** The icons are visible when the chart scale is bigger than 1/2 000 000.

Select the tide type by right-clicking on the **Tide** button when it is activated.

Below are the different modes:

- ECDIS mode (optional)
- Total tide (UKHO)



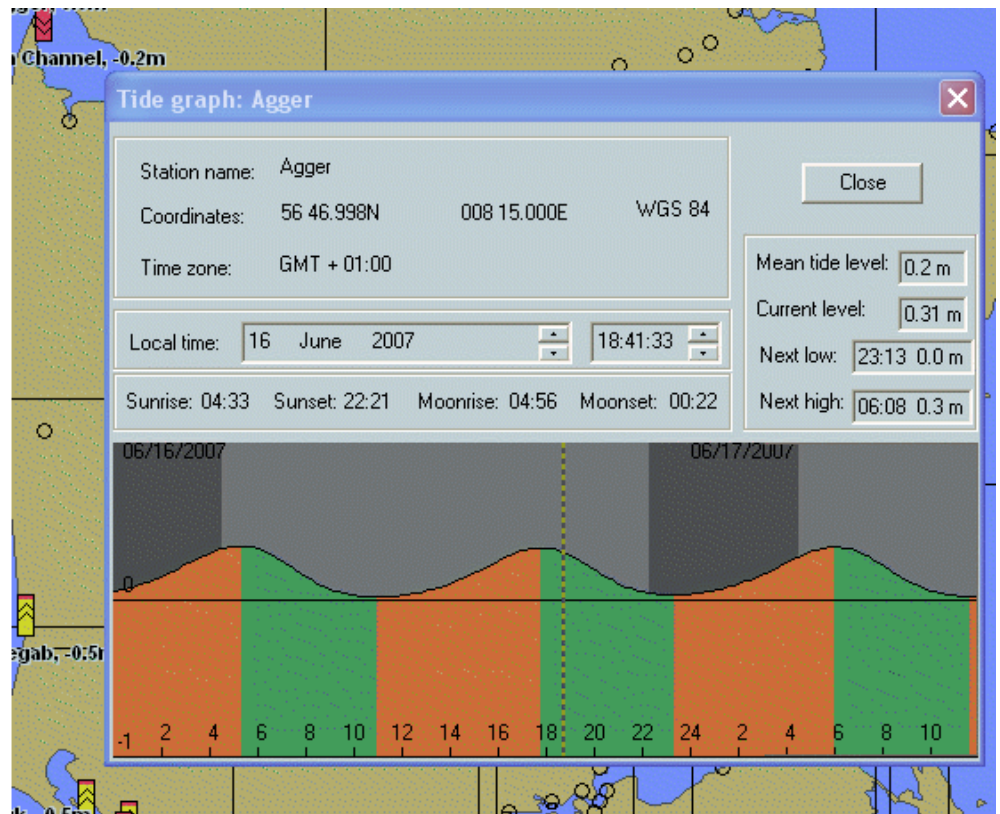
Tide

ECDIS Tide



→ **Note:** Double right-click the **Tide** button to display a window listing the tide stations available on the chart. Left-click to highlight the tide station and double-click to open the station properties dialog

The small tide icon displays the tide level at the current chart time in red and small black oriented arrows indicate rising or falling tide. Right-click on the icon to display a detailed description of the tide at the selected station. It also displays the time at which the moon and sun rise and set.



Tide date

The tide is calculated for the current ECDIS time.

Ocean current

The date is displayed on top of the chart when a weather forecast file is loaded. For more details about weather forecast see "*Weather forecast*" on page 46.

The chart date could be different from the ECDIS time displayed in the Time panel: when weather forecasts are displayed on top of the chart you can select another chart date to display a future weather forecast.

The chart date is displayed in local time. It can be adjusted in the time setting dialog or you can synchronize it with ECDIS time using the **Time synchronization** button located in the weather panel.

Total tide

This module should be installed and requires license key and activation key.

Different kinds of ports are defined:

Standard ports - These are ports where the tidal predictions are calculated from a set of harmonic constants.

Secondary ports – same as Standard port, however the observations made to collect this information generally were not as extensive as with standard ports and so the tidal predictions are of average quality.

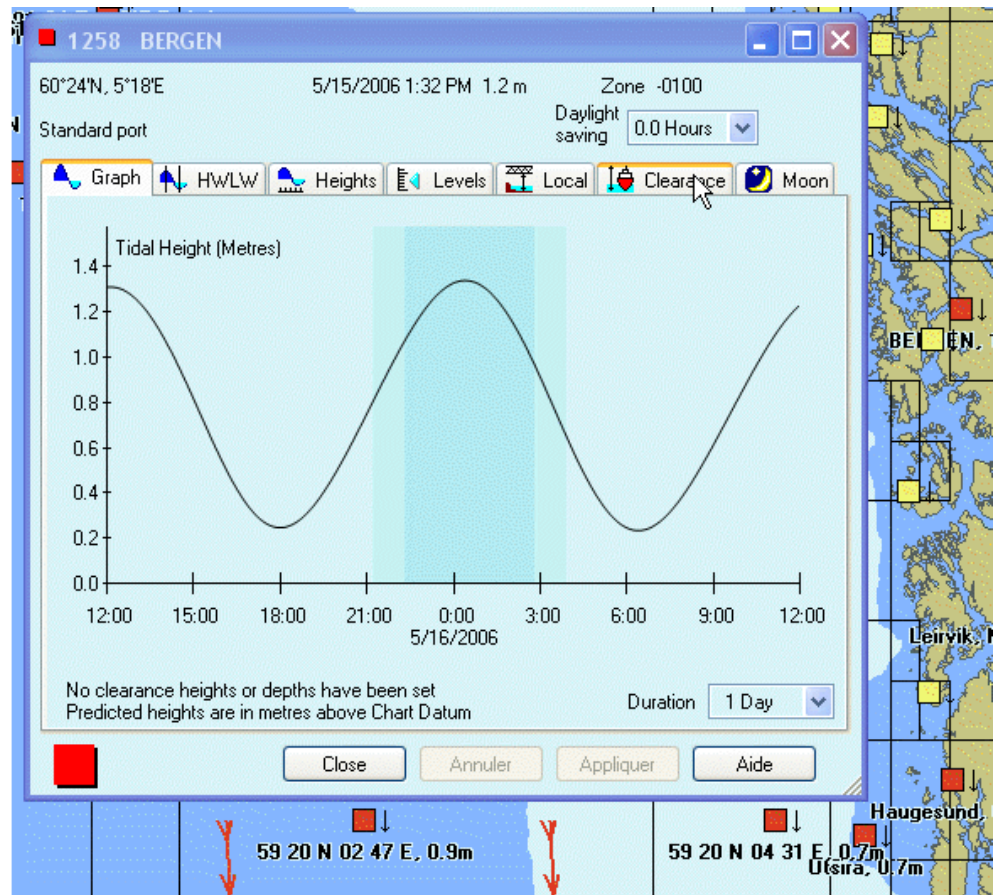
Secondary ports (non-harmonic) - These ports do not have any harmonic constants, instead their tidal predictions are calculated by taking the prediction for a reference port and applying time and height differences.

Main tide stations are represented by a red square icon, and secondary stations by a yellow one. In this case, click the proper link to open the main station window.

U Custom ports - These ports are ones that are defined by the user by manual input of a set of harmonic constants.

The chart date is displayed in local time. It can be adjusted in the time setting dialog or synchronize with ECDIS time using the button Time synchronization located in the weather panel.

Select the different view.



Weather

To access the weather module, click the **Weather** button in the toolbar or select the **Weather** tab on the console.



The weather module displays different weather layers including wind force and direction, pressure, swell, waves, typhoon history and forecasts, and temperature.

Weather forecasts may cover several days depending on the source of the data.

Weather forecast

General

The weather module is for displaying weather forecasts overlaying navigation charts.

The following file formats are supported:

- grib&grib2 for waves, current, temperature, wind force and direction, pressure, swell, etc.
- additional data typhoon&ice (proprietary formats of providers)

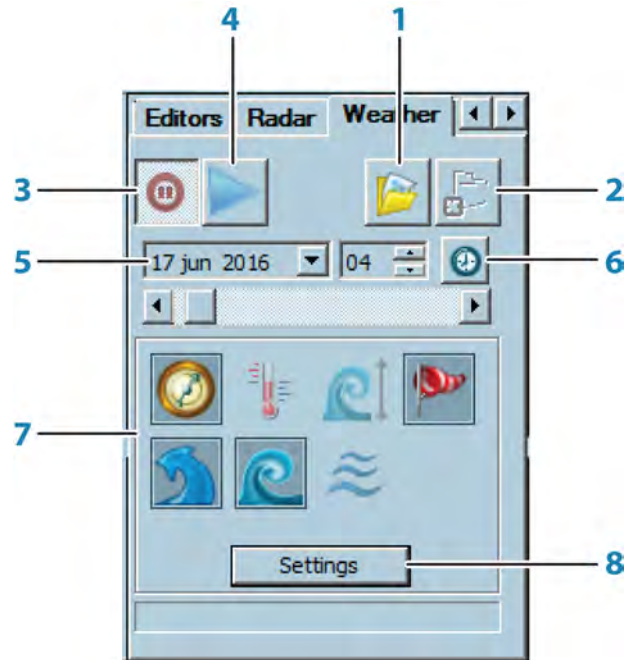
→ **Note:** Local area forecasts are 5-7 days only. The 9 days forecasts are for ocean areas.

→ **Note:** NAVICO disclaims responsibility for grib&grib2 files supplied by the providers if this data is not displayed correctly.

A weather file includes several layers with data of defined period. For instance 5 days forecasts for wind and pressure situations, with weather data every 12 hours. The ECDIS interpolates the data in time and position making it possible to display continuously over a period of time and a geographical area all data included in the file.

Weather tab

From the Console area, click the **Weather** button to display the Weather dialog.



1 Load file button

Click to display the **Select GRIB file and loading mode** dialog.

2 Unload file button

Click to unload the loaded weather file.

3 Autoloading button

Click to automatically select the files with current data to load.

4 Play/Stop animation button

Click to replay the downloaded forecast in Fast play mode.

5 Date and hour

Use this field to select a specific date and hour of the forecast.

6 Current date

Use this field to set the current date and hour .

→ **Note:** In case of historical data, the slider jumps to the end of the period.

7 Layers button

Click to enable and display the layers.

8 Settings button

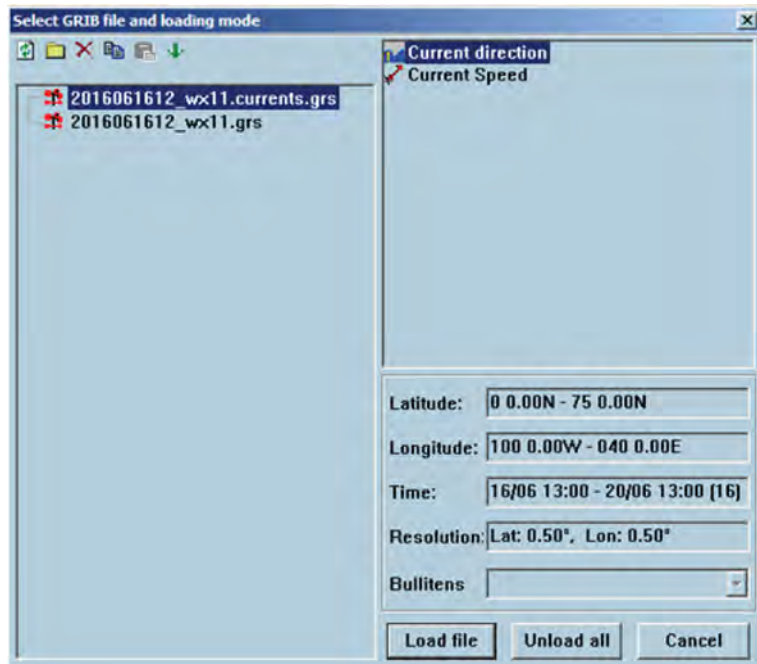
Click to display the **Settings** dialog.

Weather files management dialog

All weather files are stored in the subfolder called Weather in the folder ECDIS_Userdata and are automatically listed in the file management window.

When a file is selected the content of the file is described in the right File preview panel, with the different parameters recorded in the file.

The toolbar gives fast access to the main file management functions (refresh folders content, create/delete folder, delete, copy&paste files).



Weather layers

The following layers can be available:



current



temperature



pressure



visibility



waves



ice



wind

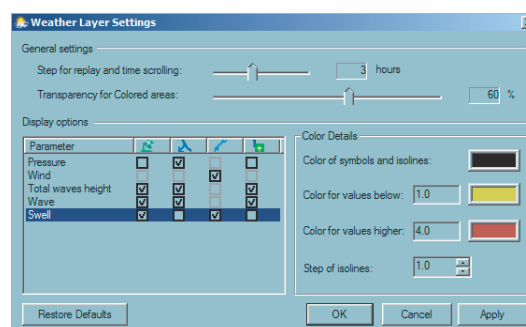


typhoon



swell

Use the settings dialog to define colors and other layer parameters.



Layers illustration

It is possible to display one or more forecast layers. Each layer has four parameters to display that can be switched on or off:

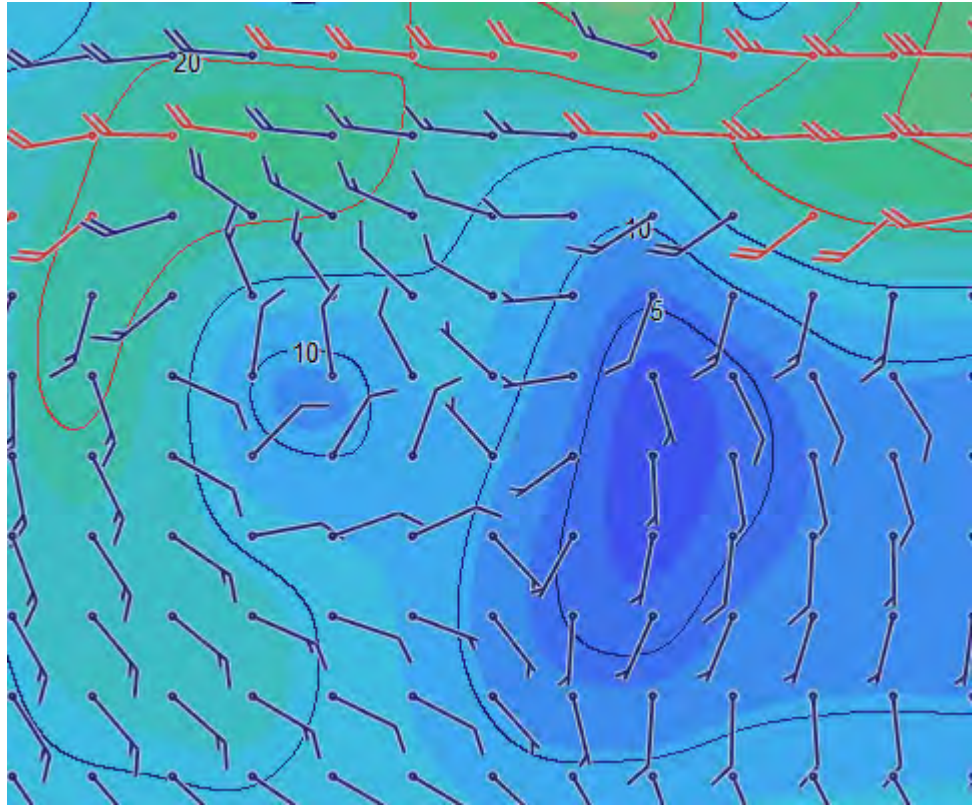
- Fill

- Isoline
- Direction
- Text info

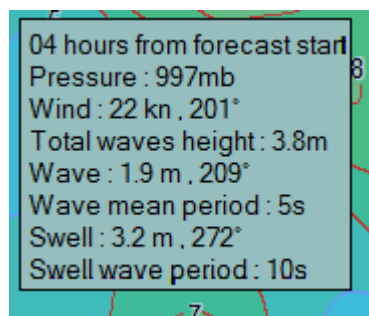
→ **Note:** No more than one layer can be filled in. Some layers have the direction parameter unavailable

Example

The following image is an example of the wind display with all parameters turned on:



→ **Note:** To see the entire text information, put the cursor on the selected location and wait a few seconds until the information window appears.



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Ship profile management

This module is specially designed to suit the pilot's needs. The pilot builds his own ship's profile database and can select the proper profile when entering a ship.

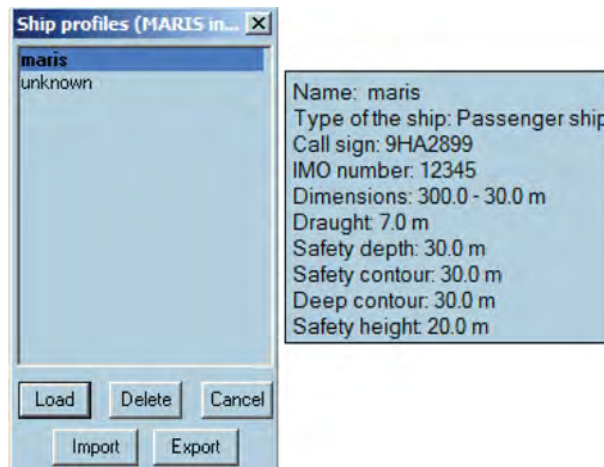
A ship's profile contains all ship and safety parameters settings including:

- Ship's name, call sign, length, width, draught etc.
- Position of GPS and Radar antennas
- Alarms settings
- Safety contour, depth, height...

Loading ship profile

Each profile is defined by the ship's name. To create a new profile manually, follow the steps below:

1. Right-click the **Ship properties** icon to display the **Ship profiles** dialog.
2. Select the **Ship name** and click the **Load** button.



Editing ship profile

To edit the ship's profile, follow the steps below:

1. Open the **Ship profiles** dialog and double-click on the ship name or select the ship name and click the **Load** button.
2. Left-click the **Ship properties** button to display the **Ship properties** dialog.
3. Modify the parameters accordingly.

Updating own ship data

It is possible to update the ship data in the ship library based on the own ship data received from the pilot plug of the AIS transponder.

When receiving own ship data for the first time after connecting to an AIS-transponder, the ECDIS900 checks if there are any discrepancies on the received data and the data (if there's any) of the same ship stored in the ship library.

If there are any discrepancies, or if the ship is not already present in the ship library, the ECDIS900 presents data and the discrepancies to the user, and ask whether the data in the ship library shall be updated.

The user has the option to select which data to be used, whether the existing data in the ship library, or data received by the AIS.

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Charts

⚠ Warning: Chart data and navigational features are intended for general guidance only. They do not replace a human navigator and should not be relied on as a sole or primary source of navigation. Only official government charts and notices to mariners contain all information needed for the safety of navigation. It is the operator's sole responsibility to use more than one navigational method to ensure the route suggested by the system is safe.

The ECDIS900 system supports vector and raster charts. The ECDIS system runs automatically in RCDS mode when raster charts are used. (See "*RCDS mode*" on page 76.)

Chart types

- ENC format are official Vector charts (see "*Electronic navigation charts (ENC)*" on page 51).
- ARCS are official Raster charts (see "*ARCS*" on page 75).

Operational area

User operational area is between 85° S and 85° N. That means there is no possibility to perform operations with routes beyond this area (close to poles).

Chart database installation

To install chart database and catalogs, click on the **Chart management** icon from the toolbar panel.

See "*Chart management*" on page 63 for more details.



Electronic navigation charts (ENC)

Official vector charts produced by National Hydrographic Offices are called ENC, Electronic Navigation Charts and delivered in S-57 format.

S-57 is a public format used for data exchange and transfer but the charts in this format cannot be used directly in ECDIS.

There are several sources providing ENC data: Primar in Stavanger distributes ENC data for North European countries and France, UKHO for other European countries, Japan HO for Japanese areas, MPA for Singapore harbor etc.

ENC are in general encrypted and chart permits are required to be able to use them.

ECDIS operates ENC under a seamless mode and automatically loads new cells when scrolling or zooming all over the world.

The ECDIS900 is compliant with IEC61174 ed4 regarding ENC chart Installation and Update from:

- Single media using multiple exchange data sets
- Multiple exchange sets across multiple media sets.

→ **Note:** The chart information to be used in ECDIS should be the latest edition of information originated by the government HOs and conform to IHO standards.

Using ENC charts

ENC chart display is done according to official Presentation library (see "*Chart display*" on page 52). The following actions are available:

- Zoom and select other scales.
- Modify the content and the layout of the chart with the Chart settings dialog (see "*Chart settings*" on page 74).
- Select another projection or enter depth values defining the safety limits (see "*Chart depths*" on page 55).
- Get more information about the chart and object with the Chart properties dialog (see "*Chart properties*" on page 59).
- Manage database (see "*Chart management*" on page 63) including installation of chart permits (see "*Permits*" on page 63) or charts (see "*Install charts*" on page 65), updating chart database (see "*Update*" on page 66), checking the last updated objects (see "*Display updates*"

on page 67), or the update history (see "*Update history*" on page 69). When errors occur during chart management a message window displays the type of error.

- Install and update ENC charts on the Planning station and copy the chart database onto a remote PC (see "*Multi ECDIS workstations in LAN*" on page 70).

Chart display

Colors and symbols

The implementation of the SENC information display has been done in accordance with IHO regulations; colors and symbols used are compliant with IHO Special Publication S52 Appendix 2 V3.4 and IEC publication 61174 Annex E.

When a symbol is picked, the broken square sign indicate its state.



Course up display mode

ENC may be displayed in two different modes, Course up or North up.

To select the display mode, right-click on the chart and check on or off the item menu Course up. North up symbol is shown in the top left corner of the chart area.

Cells borders

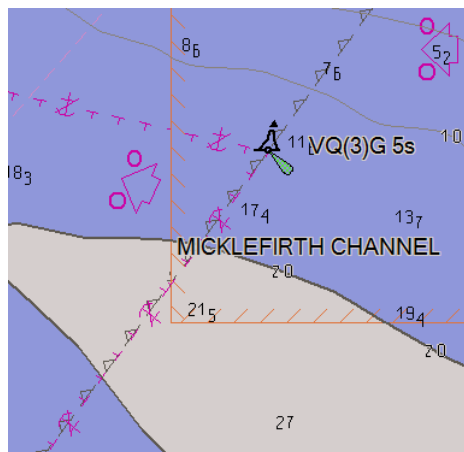
The cell boundaries are displayed on request using the dialog Chart properties. See "*Chart properties*" on page 59.

A plain grey line or a dashed line is displayed inside the chart boundary: it is the border of the Administration area. When the display is set to Display base or Standard, the area border is plain.

ECDIS draws the boundary between navigational purposes (also called Usages). For example, a boundary is shown around the total outline of all cells that belong to usage Approach.

Non-official data

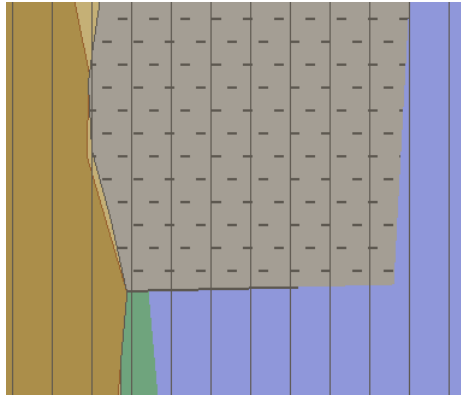
If the chart display contains an area with charts that are not official, the area boundary is indicated with a thin red line with zone of diagonal strokes inside the area.



When the non-official chart zone is displayed, the indication **Non-ENC data** appears on the Legend panel.

No ENC data

If the chart display contains an area with no charts, the area is filled with grey pattern.



When this zone is displayed, the indication **No ENC data** appears on the Legend panel (see *"Legend panel"* on page 24).

Moving around the chart

Automatic scrolling

The ECDIS900 automatically scrolls the chart in the following cases:

Route or user object plotting

To plot a waypoint or a user object outside the current S57 chart area, move the cursor in the desired direction, and the chart will automatically scroll in that direction. With a raster chart, move the cursor in the desired direction and the chart will automatically scroll in that direction until it moves outside the current chart. Left clicking on the black screen area outside of the chart border will automatically load the chart with the most precise scale.

Distance measuring

To measure the distance from one point to another point located outside of the chart, move the cursor in the required direction, outside of the chart area. Left clicking on the black screen area outside of the chart border will automatically load the chart with the most precise scale.

Waypoint move

To move a waypoint outside of the chart area, proceed in the same way as automatically scrolling the chart. With raster charts, the waypoint will appear on the next chart. Pick up the waypoint again by placing the cursor above it and holding down the left mouse button. Move the waypoint to the chosen location and release the left mouse button.

Follow the ship

Use the **Follow the ship** function for automatically scrolling the chart under the moving ship (relative motion).

For a detailed overview of the **Follow the ship** option, see *"Automatic chart selection"* on page 55.

Select area

Clicking the **Select area** icon in the tool bar and choosing a chart area name, moves and zooms the chart according to the pre-defined parameters (Scale and geographical location). Also refer to topic *"Auto centering"* on page 33.

For a detailed overview of the **Select area** option, see *"Selecting chart area"* on page 31.

Load a chart directly from Chart management dialog

Double-click on the chart name to load the chart.

⚠ Warning: Do not confuse Center the ship with Follow the ship.

Center the ship is a single command causing the ship to be centered on the display with the relevant chart area under it. The ship will then normally move away from the center (true motion). Unless the user re-centers the ship when it reaches the display edge it will move out of view.

The **Follow the ship** command causes the chart to scroll automatically under the ship (relative motion).



Manual scrolling

Use a mouse and keyboard for scrolling charts.

1. Locate the cursor near the chart edge of the chart area and a **pan** pointer will appear, pointing in one of eight directions, depending on where the cursor is located along the chart edge.
2. Left-click to scroll the chart in the direction of the pointer.
3. Double-click while pointing at the chart and the chart will be centered in that position.

You can also press the mouse wheel and drag the chart or left click and hold until the hand icon appears, then drag.

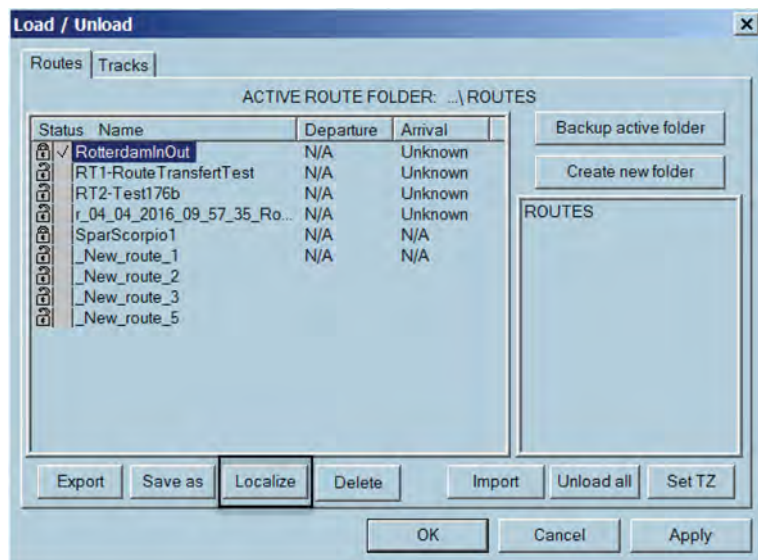
Use arrow keys to scroll the chart to north, east, south, or west. Click inside the chart area to set focus, then use the keys.

Other manual scrolling

Use the **Center on ship** function to center the chart on the ship. See "*Center on ship*" on page 33 for details.

Center on the route

Select a route from the list and click the **Localize** button. The chart is centered on the selected route. For more information about routes, refer to "*Load, unload, and delete route functions*" on page 98.



Center on the target

Open the Target table dialog and double-click on the target to center the chart on the target.



1468 targets in the table, (AIS: 1447)							
Vessel name	MMSI	CPA	TCPA	Range/Be...	Ship type	Call si...	Navigatio...
▲ AIS ID:248976000	248976000	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	At anchor
▲ AIS IPOCHARD S	518896000	N/A	N/A	N/A	Cargo ship	E5U2...	Moored
● AIS ID:244730338	244730338	3.18...	N/A	33.68nm 76...	N/A	N/A	Moored
● AIS ID:244730339	244730339	3.18...	N/A	33.67nm 76...	N/A	N/A	Moored
● AIS ID:245738000	245738000	N/A	N/A	92.50nm 40...	N/A	N/A	Under wa...
▲ AIS ID:235103595	235103595	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Moored
● AIS ID:244063556	244063556	24.7...	N/A	48.30nm 51...	N/A	N/A	Under wa...
▲ AIS ID:235103431	235103431	22.3...	N/A	40.51nm 48...	N/A	N/A	Under wa...
● AIS ID:205759310	205759310	N/A	N/A	35.31nm 19...	N/A	N/A	Under wa...
▲ AIS ID:235103305	235103305	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Under wa...
● AIS ID:235103287	235103287	N/A	N/A	141.92nm 2...	N/A	N/A	Moored

Hide targets Draw true vectors Lost targets... AIS messages... Customize table... Start AIS server...

Waypoint centering

Open the Route plan dialog. Double-click on the Name of waypoint to center the chart on the waypoint. For more information, refer to "*Route plan overview*" on page 95.

Route plan Fixed ETA function is not active.

RotterdamInOut

Distance - Time

Distance to go: 138.25 NM

Start Date / Time: 04/05/2016 22:03:50(-01) TTG: 13:52:01 ETA: 05/05 10:55:51(0)

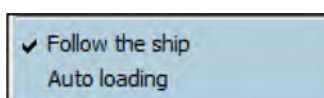
Name	LAT	LON	DIST	CRS	Leg	Radius	ROT	XTD PORT	XTD STBD
WP_001	52 01.016N	003 44.823E	4.00 NM	082.6	RL	N/A	N/A	185 m	185 m
WP_002	52 01.535N	003 51.370E	3.33 NM	100.3	RL	0.50 NM	19.1°/min	185 m	185 m
WP_003	52 00.943N	003 56.617E	6.47 NM	110.7	RL	0.50 NM	19.1°/min	185 m	185 m
WP_004	51 58.643N	004 06.428E	3.17 NM	125.3	RL	0.50 NM	19.1°/min	185 m	185 m
WP_005	51 56.840N	004 10.537E	2.09 NM	123.2	RL	0.50 NM	19.1°/min	185 m	185 m

WP properties New WP by coordinates New WP by bearing Delete WP Unlock route Activate route

Automatic chart selection

Set follow the ship

To activate the **Follow the ship** mode, right-click anywhere on the chart and select the menu item **Follow the ship**.



Operating in the Follow ship mode, the ECDIS900 automatically moves the current chart or loads new cells according to the ship's movements.

Auto loading mode

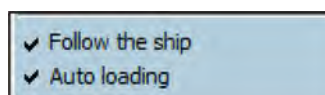
When the **Auto loading** mode is ON, the ECDIS900 automatically loads new charts and displays the chart with the best scale at the ship's current position.

To activate the **Auto loading** mode, right-click anywhere on the chart and select the menu item **Auto loading**.

→ **Note:** Activate Follow the ship function, then activate the Auto loading.

Short key

The **F3** key activates **Follow the ship** and **Auto loading** when the focus is in the chart window. If the key is not active, click once inside the chart area to change the focus.



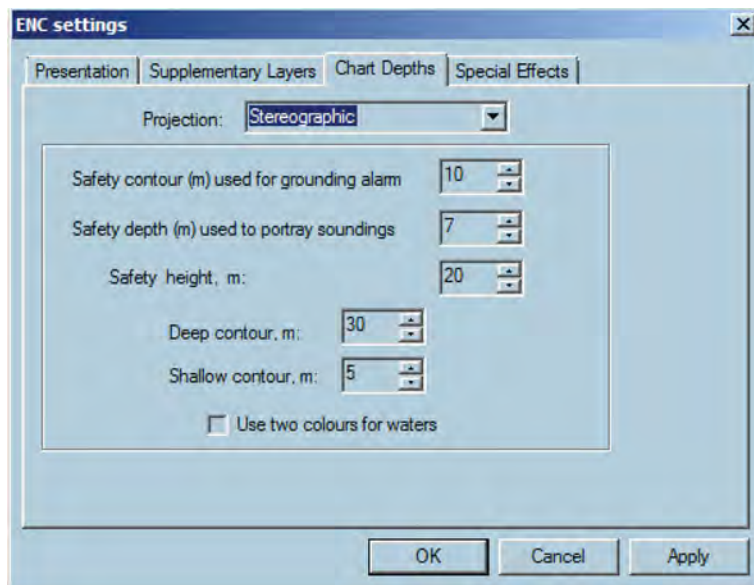
For ENC charts:

- If the Auto loading mode is OFF, the system moves the chart under the ship without changing the scale.
- If the Auto loading mode is ON, the chart scale will be changed if the system can load a chart with a scale more suitable for navigation.

Chart depths

Projection

ECDIS can display charts in different projections and guarantees the consistency between the datum used by GPS and the datum used in ECDIS for display and storage of routes, tracks and other objects.



The default projection is Cylindrical, which allows displaying a chart in a proper way even in high latitude areas.

Depths

Deep and shallow contours can be displayed in two different colors. Tick the checkbox for **Use two colours for waters** option to switch colors.

- **Safety contour**

This function is used for setting a safe depth range for the given ship. The calculated safety contour is equal to or larger than the entered value if the depth contour chosen is not available on the chart. Safety contour highlights the safe navigation waters (See the example below) on the chart and ECDIS gives an alarm if the ship is going to cross the safety contour within the time limits specified in the safety guard zone parameters. By default the safety contour is 30 m. If the safety contour specified by the mariner is not in the SENC, the safety contour shown is the next deeper contour and the mariner is informed in the Legend panel. ECDIS emphasizes the safety contour with a wide grey line on the chart.

- **Safety depth**

This is the depth, in meters, below sea level, that is considered to be safe for the ship. This is very important when the ship is approaching isolated dangers. On the chart, the soundings with a depth value lower than the Safety depth are displayed in dark grey, while the soundings with a bigger depth value are displayed in light grey color. Both soundings can be displayed or hidden by checking on or off the checkboxes for "Deep Soundings" and "Shallow Soundings" in the Presentation panels described above.

- **Safety height**

This is the height, in meters, above sea level, that is considered to be safe for the ship.

- **Deep contour:**

This function is used for setting deep-water contour highlighted in the display of ENC charts.

- **Shallow contour:**

This function is used for setting a shallow water contour highlighted in the display of S-57 charts.

→ **Note:** The safety depth must not be smaller than the safety contour value.

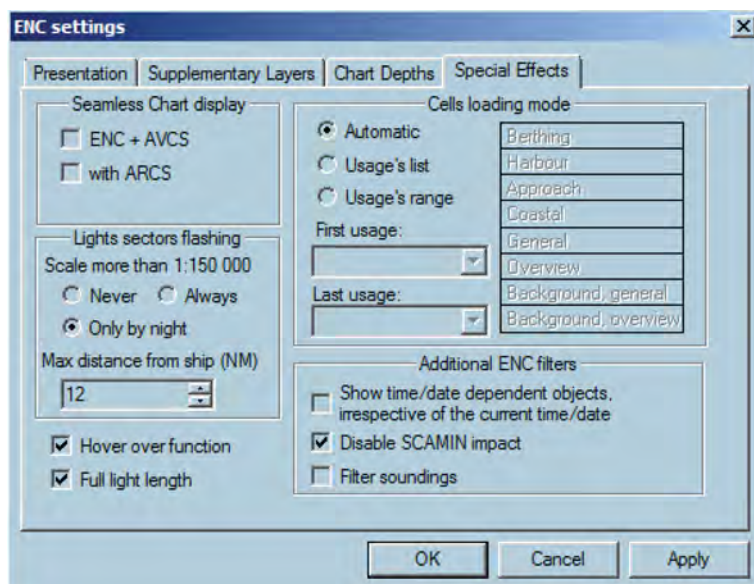
→ **Note:** Depth information provided by ENC is not adjusted by tidal height.

Chart display depends on selected depth parameters.

"Examples" on page 58 shows that one chart has three different presentations according to different safety contour and shallow contour values.

Special Effects

ECDIS can make the light sectors flashing when the ship is closer to the lights than a fixed distance.



Seamless ENC/AVCS

If AVCS charts are installed together with ENC, both type of charts can be displayed in seamless mode. This means that for the area of the screen not covered by ENC charts, AVCS charts are used to complete the coverage.

Seamless ENC/ARCS

If ARCS charts are installed together with ENC both type of charts be displayed in seamless mode. This means that for the area of the screen not covered by ENC charts, ARCS charts are used to complete the coverage.

For more information see "*Seamless ENC/ARCS*" on page 86.

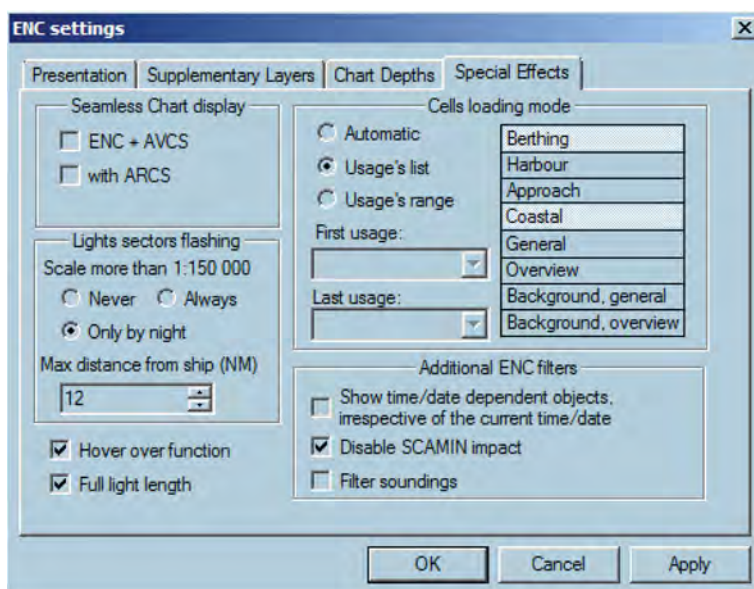
Filter soundings

For some charts the number of displayed soundings is too big, making the figures on the chart unreadable. The filter soundings function reduces the number of soundings in such a way that in case of ambiguity the shallower sounding is always used.

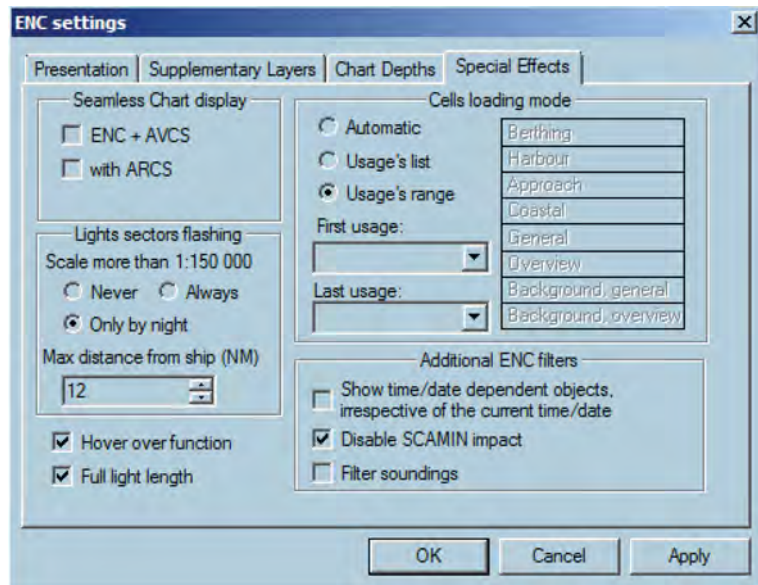
Cells loading mode

The **Automatic** mode is the default mode. When Automatic mode is activated, ECDIS900 scans the ENC database to load and display the proper cells for the scale in use.

When **Usage's list** is activated the scan of the ENC database is limited to the selected cell usages in the list on the left (Only Berthing and Coastal cells are used in the example below).



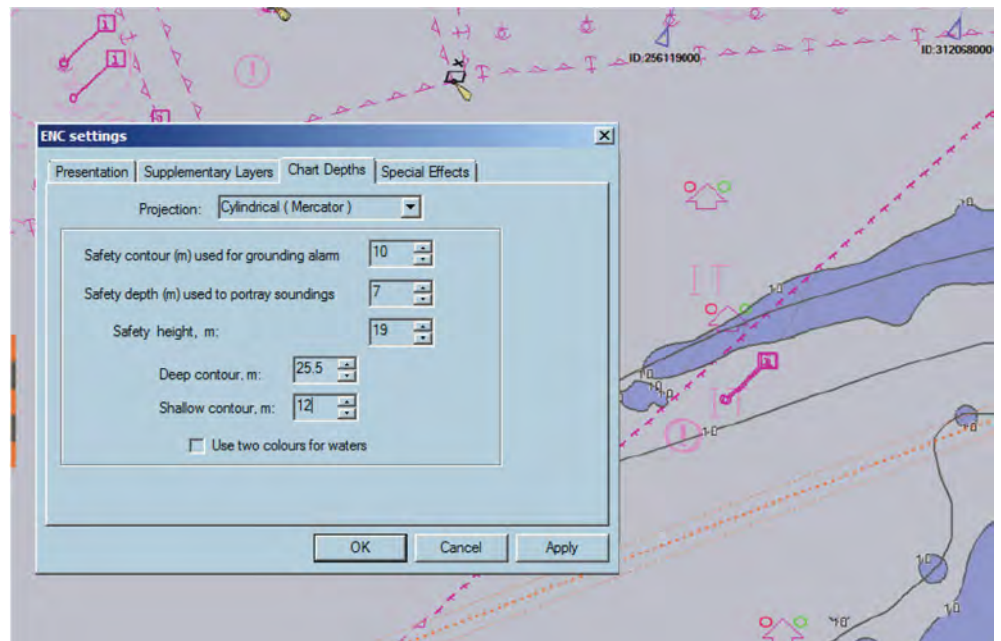
When **Usage range** is selected the scan of the cells is limited by the two usages selected by the user (From coastal to berthing in the example below).



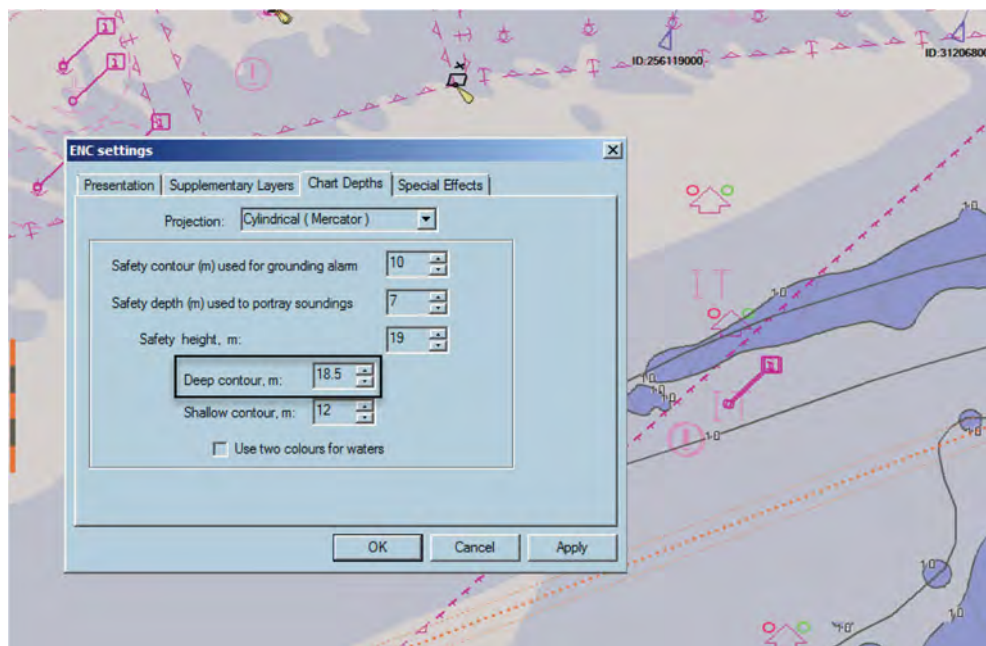
Toggle on the **Disable SCAMIN impact** to display all information at any chart scale.

Examples

Three charts are displayed with different values of depth and deep contour settings. The following shows the initial settings:



The Deep contour value is changed:



Next, the Safety contour value is changed:

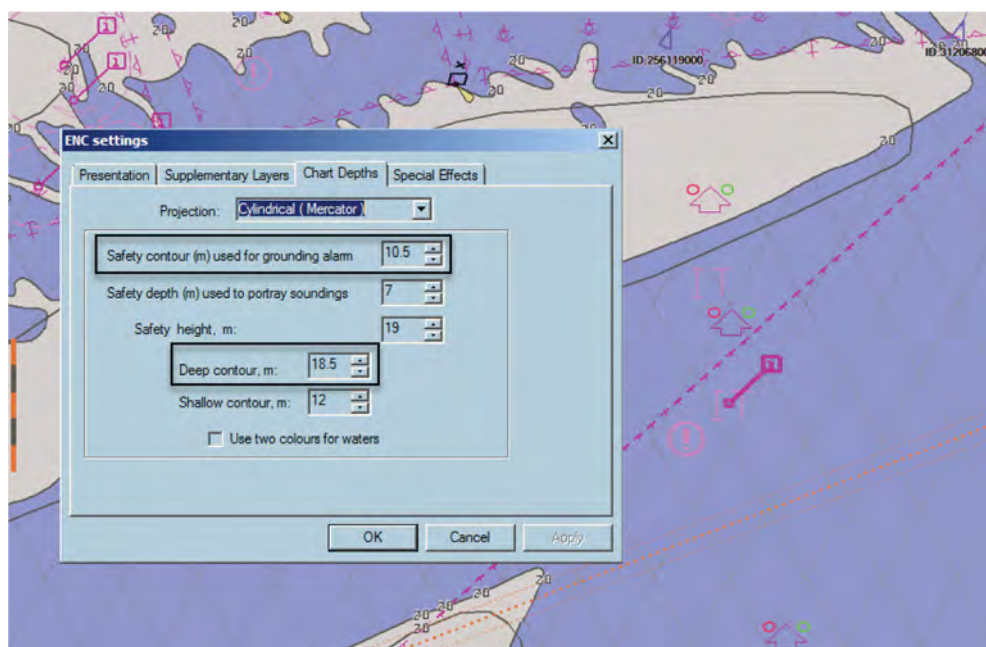


Chart properties

To view the chart cell's properties or to display information about an object of the chart, right-click somewhere on the chart or on that particular object and select Properties. Alternatively, press F4 when the cursor is on the chart.

ECDIS scans the ENC database to find all objects present under the clicked point, highlights these objects on the chart, and displays information concerning them and the cell the objects belong to.

→ **Note:** The properties of other points on the chart can be viewed, without closing the properties window, by clicking on selected points.

Cell

The **Cell** tab displays general information about that cell where the cursor is located. In particular cell boundaries, compilation scale, edition number, the version and Issue, the Issue and last update dates, etc.

Pick report at 52 31.831N and 003 00.556E

Cell Areas Navigation More Light lines History of updates Legend

Cell file name: GB2A2182.000 Depth units: metres

Internal usage: General Agency code: GB

Compilation scale: 1: 700 000 Edition number: 10

Horizontal datum: WGS 84 Issue date: 30 Oct 2015

Vertical datum: Mean high water spring Update date: 18 Dec 2015

Sounding datum: Approximate lowest as Version: 03.1

Boundaries

North: 55 40.000N South: 50 50.000N

West: 002 09.998W East: 009 37.485E

Areas

The **Areas** tab displays administrative information and area object data.

By default, category C objects are not displayed in the list. Click the **Cat C** button to make them visible.

To copy the entire list of area properties, click the **Copy** button.

Pick report at 51 55.929N and 004 13.105E

Cell Areas Navigation More Light lines History of updates Legend

Notes: NLFWNWWG.TXT Pictures: N/A Copy Expand all Cat C

Sea area/named water area

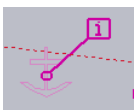
Depth area

- Depth range value 1: 10.00 m
- Depth range value 2: 20.00 m

Magnetic variation

- Reference year for magnetic variation: 2010
- Scale minimum: 17999
- Value of annual change in magnetic variation: 7.00'
- Value of magnetic variation: 0.00°

If the area has notes, the information symbol is displayed.



Navigation

The **Navigation** tab displays information about Navigation aids, lights, beacons, buoys, etc. If notes or pictures are associated with the selected cell, they are available in the appropriate drop-down lists. To open a note or a picture, select it from the list.

By default, category C objects are not displayed in the list. Click the **Cat C** button to make them visible.

Pick report at 51 58.823N and 004 06.575E

Cell Areas Navigation More Light lines History of updates Legend

Notes: NLFWNWWG.TXT Pictures: N/A Copy Expand all Cat C

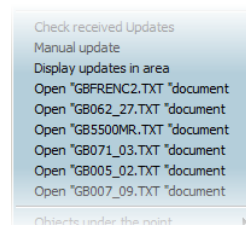
NLFWNWWG.TXT

NL500207.TXT

Position: 51 58.822N 004 06.540E

Category of light: Value is absent.

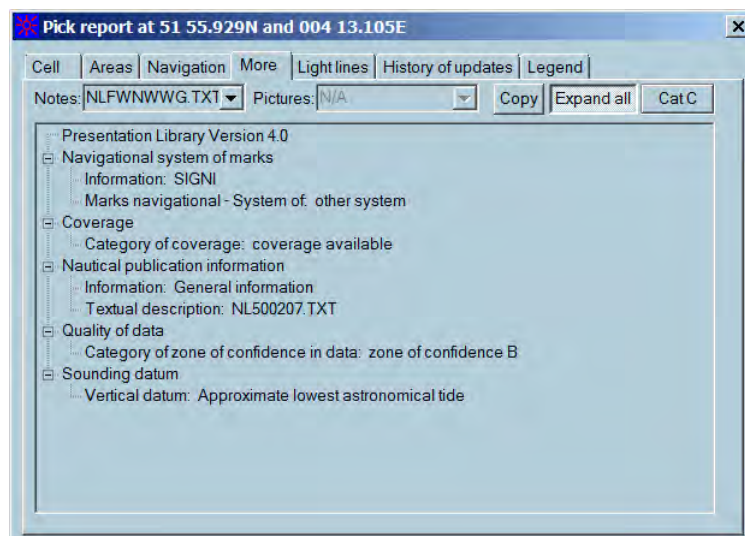
Also, you can open these files without opening the dialog. Right-click on the chart cell and select the proper file from the pop-up menu.



If no notes or pictures are in the menu, the selected cell has no associated files.
To copy the entire information of the tab, click the **Copy** button.

More

The **More** tab contains additional information about objects located under the cursor and displays the S-52 Presentation Library version.

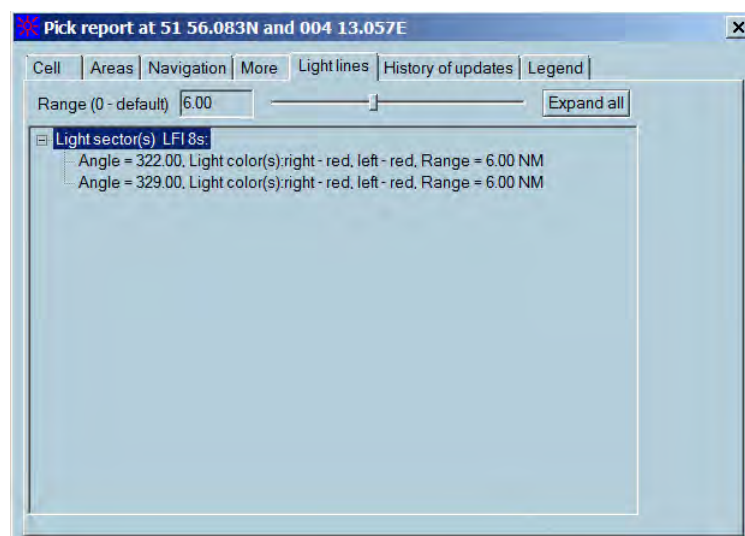


By default, category C objects are not displayed in the list. Click the **Cat C** button to make them visible.

To copy the entire list, click the **Copy** button.

Light sector lines

The **Light lines** tab displays light sector lines for a selected light.



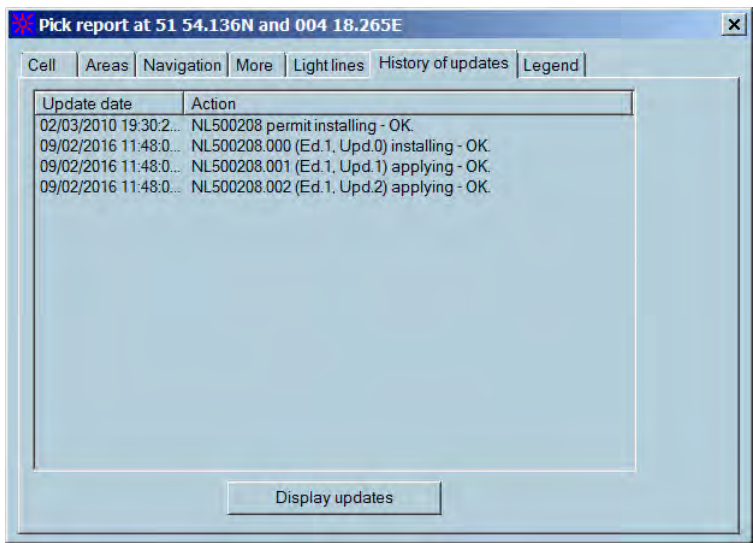
You can expand several or all sectors and set the range value. It helps to control the navigation very precisely when sailing towards the light or within selected chart sectors.

→ **Note:** These lines are displayed on the screen even if the light is not visible on the screen. If there are no lights in the selected cell, the list is empty.

You can expand several of all sectors and set the range value. It helps to control the navigation very precisely when sailing towards the light or within selected chart sectors.

History of updates

The **History of updates** tab displays the list of updates for the cell (or cells if there are more than one cell is under the cursor).



Legend

The tab contains information for any point of the chart display. The Legend panel in the Console area displays information for the ship position only. See "*Legend panel*" on page 24.

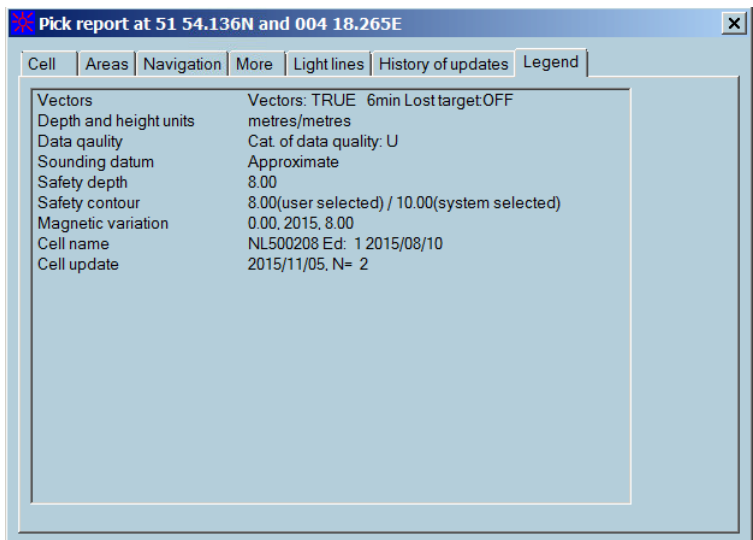
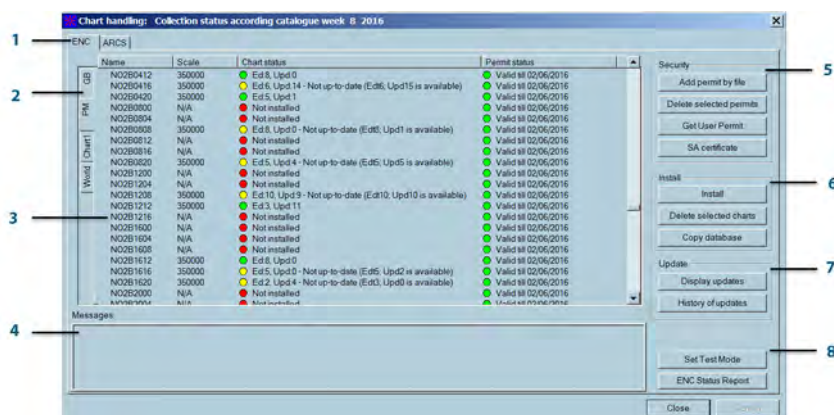


Chart management

Click the **Chart management** button to open the Chart management dialog.

→ **Note:** The chart management is available from this dialog only.



- 1 Type of charts** The horizontal tabs are for the chart types
- 2 Chart collection tab** The vertical tabs are for the chart collections. The protected collections are:
 - **PM:** Primar
 - **GB:** AVCS
- 3 List of charts** Entire list of charts and their statuses of the proper collection
- 4 Message area** The action report is displayed in the Message area.
- 5 Security buttons** The Security area contains buttons which provide work with permits and certificates.
- 6 Installation buttons**
 - **Install** opens the ENC Installation wizard dialog.
 - **Delete selected charts** removes selected charts from the list. Hold the **Ctrl** key to select multiple charts in the list.
 - **Copy database** opens dialog for copying the current collection to the remote PC.
- 7 Update buttons**
 - **Display updates** opens the Display updates dialog for the current collection.
 - **History of updates** opens the History of updates report for the current collection.
- 8 Reports and testing**
 - **Set Test Mode** switches the system to the test mode
 - **ENC Status Report** opens the report for the current collection.

ENC security

The ENC protection is compliant with the S-63 standard.

Security frame give access to the 4 following possibilities:

- Add permit by file
- Delete selected permits
- Get User Permit
- SA certificate

Permits

ENC cells are in general copy protected and therefore require permits.

→ **Note:** Some HO's deliver S-57 cells without copy protection and therefore permits are not required.

Ordering the permits

To order permits, contact your chart provider.

Add permit by file

The permits are delivered as 2 files, save the files onto a USB memory stick. Insert the USB memory stick into the USB port and select the directory containing permits files.

A message window gives information about the status of the installed permits and about eventual errors.

Permits from several providers

If ENC cells are delivered by two different providers (Primar and UKHO for example) two permit files are received on board. It is required to run the installation procedure twice, once for each permit.

New permits

When additional permits for new charts have been ordered, a new permit file is sent on board. This file contains the complete list of permits purchased by the user and must be installed as described above. The new permits are added to the old ones.

Permits and chart version

When a chart is reissued (Old version is replaced by a newest one, stored in general on the chart update CD) a new permits file is sent on board. This file contains the complete list of permits purchased by the user and must be installed. The old permits are removed and replaced by the new ones.

ATTENTION

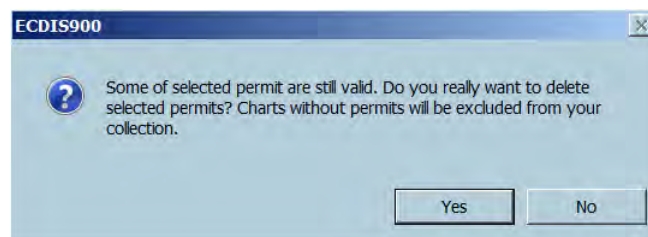
A permit is valid for a specific version of the chart:

- If the chart is too old for the permit, the user is informed and the new edition of the chart has to be installed.
- If the permit is too old for the chart, the chart cannot be installed and updated and a new permit has to be ordered.

→ **Note:** When the permit expires, the chart is still usable in ECDIS but cannot be updated and therefore cannot be used in Type approved ECDIS mode.

Delete permit

Click the **Delete permit** button to display the **Alert** dialog:

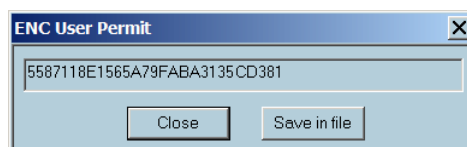


Click the **Yes** button to complete the process.

Once the permit is deleted, the chart is excluded from the list of collections.

Get User Permit

Click the **Get User Permit** button to display or save the user permit.



Use the **Save in file** button to save the permit in the local drive.

Get SA certificate

Certificates need to be installed.

1. Click the **SA certificate** button to install or display SA certificate.

2. Click the **Install SA certificate** button and browse folder to get *.crt file certificate.



- **Note:** The SA certificate can be downloaded from: https://iho.int/uploads/user/pubs/standards/s-63/S-63_SA_Certificate_Exp_2033.zip

Install charts

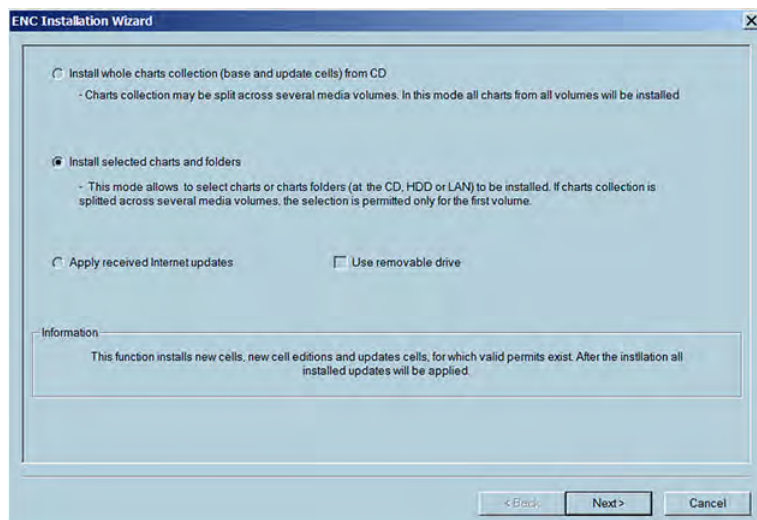
ENC charts can be installed from a DVD or an external USB memory drive from a folder located on a remote PC.

- **Note:** Before the installation make sure that the permits are installed.

All collection of charts stored on a CD can be installed at once by choosing the first option of the installation wizard.

The second option allows the user to make a selection of charts to be installed and the source of the data (CD or HD).

Make a selection of charts in the second dialog and click the **Next** button to start the installation. For more details, refer to "*Chart selection*" on page 66.



- **Note:** European ENC charts and updates that are distributed by Primar and UKHO are delivered as **Base CD** which contains the chart database issued at the time indicated on the label, and as **Update CD** which contains updates for the charts from the **Base CD**.
- **Note:** The Update CD also contains the new chart edition issued since the Base CD was printed. The new charts and the new editions of chart stored on the Update CD are automatically installed and updated during the update process.

Installation and update

After the charts are installed, ECDIS tries to find updates of the charts on the same media. If the updates are found and have a correct sequence ECDIS automatically applies the update to the charts.

For a complete installation and update of European ENCs proceed as follows:

1. Insert Base CD.
2. Click **Install**, select the charts to be installed and click the **Install** button.
3. Insert the Update CD.
4. Click the **Install** button.

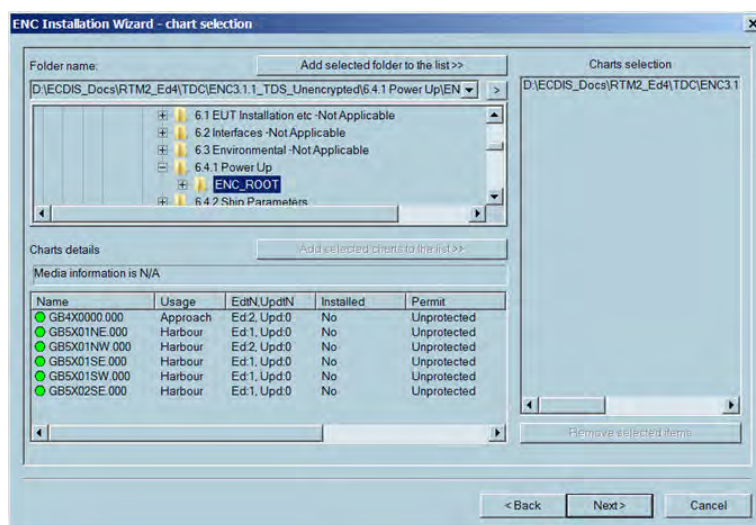
Delete charts

After confirmation, the selected charts are definitively deleted from the chart database.

Errors which may occur during installation are described in "*Encryption scheme errors in ENC*" on page 184.

Chart selection

Select the chart one by one by double clicking on the name or select a folder containing chart and click the **Add folder to the list** button.



Update

Use the **Installation Wizard** to update charts. See the "*Install charts*" on page 65 for details.

- **Note:** If a large number of charts are involved, the process may take some considerable time.

The function **See Updates** allows checking the last updated objects and the function Update history maintains a log of all applied updates (see "*Update history*" on page 69).

When **Cancellation update** is applied, the cell is removed from the collection.

Errors while update is in progress

If the updates are not correctly loaded or if an error is detected during the update procedure, the user is informed and the error message displayed in the message area.

- ECDIS rejects updates if the update issuing authority is different from the cell issuing authority.

- ECDIS rejects corrupted update files and files with wrong extension or wrong name.
- ECDIS checks that updates are applied in the right sequence. If one update is missing the next updates are rejected.

Example:

Single charts have update files with a specific order number, which is the suffix of the file: for example **Jp54nvpr.002** is the second update file for the Japanese chart called Jp54nvpr.

The file **Jp54nvpr.002** is a complement of the update information contained in the file **Jp54nvpr.001** but does not contain all update information that was included in the file **Jp54nvpr.001**.

In order to correctly update chart **Jp54nvpr** it is mandatory to first update the chart with file **Jp54nvpr.001** and then with file **Jp54nvpr.002**.

REMARKS

- An update CD-ROM contains in general all available updates for all ENC cells. ECDIS will automatically run all updates in the right order for all cells.
- Updates not relating to a cell within the set of installed cells are discarded.
- ECDIS rejects an update related to a new edition of the cell.
- ECDIS rejects an update related to an older edition to the cell.

Display updates

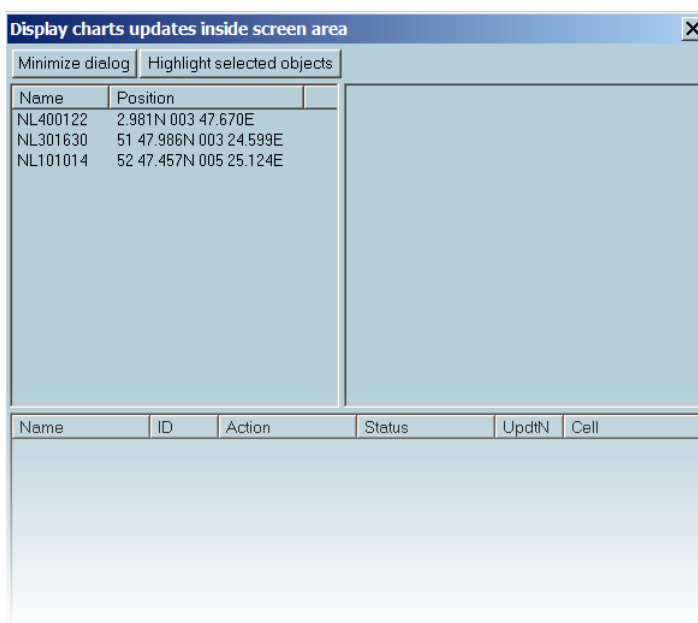
Updates are displayed for:

- A selected chart collection, when the Display updates function is called from the Chart management dialog (see "*Chart management*" on page 63).
- A selected chart area.
- Charts under a selected route.

Display chart updates inside screen area

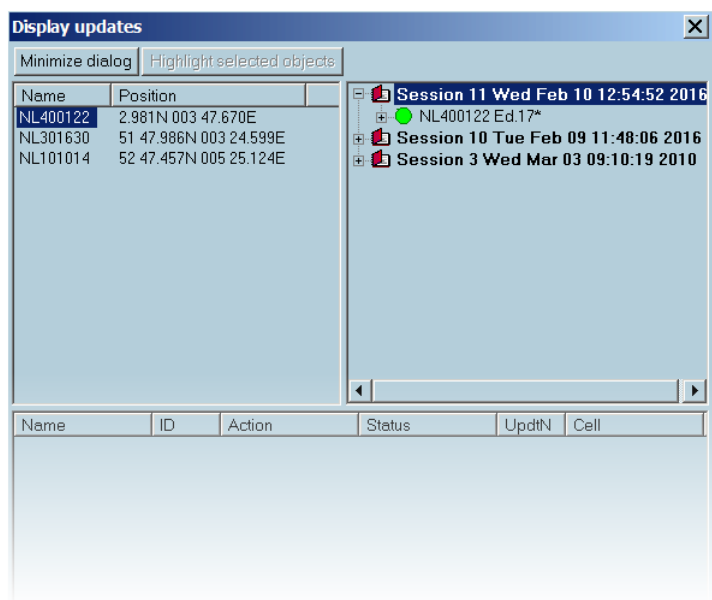
Right-click anywhere in the selected chart area and select **Display updates in area** item from the list.

A dialog similar to the one below is displayed:



The left frame contains the list of cells that were updated.

Click on the cell name to see the history of updates for the selected cell. The history is displayed as shown below:



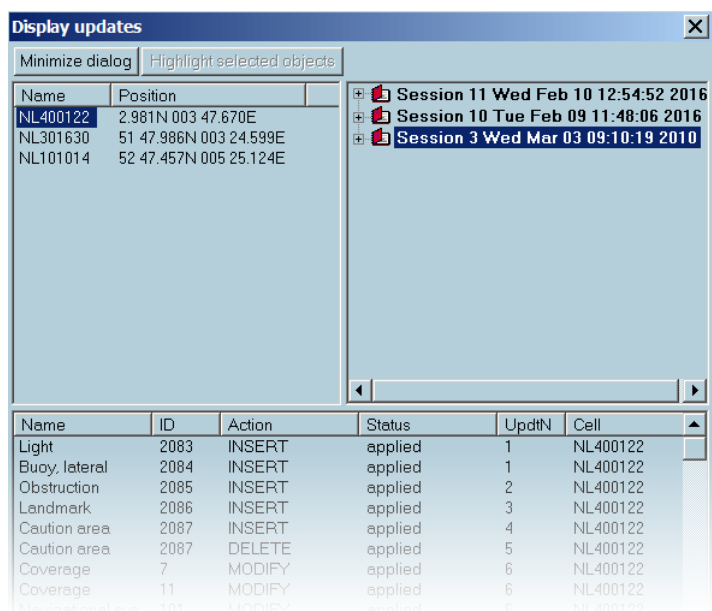
→ **Note:** If the selected session of update contains modified objects, it will be listed in the bottom frame of the dialog.

The cell names are identified as follows:

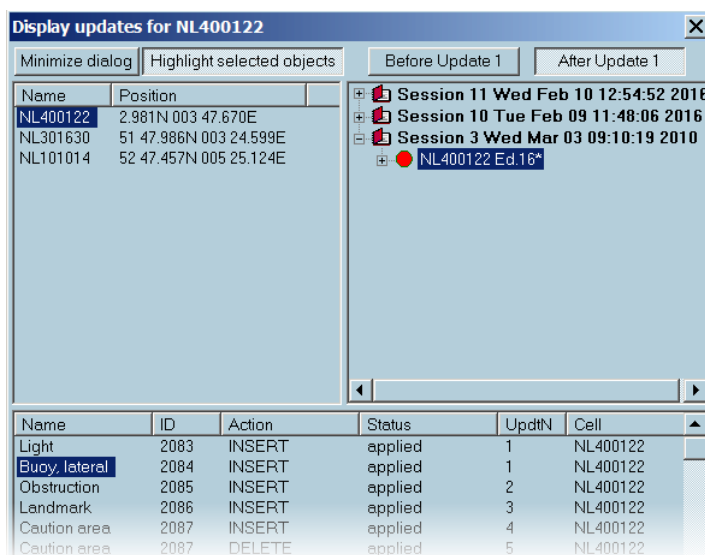
- Deleted cells are marked with red circles and a plus (+) sign.
- Newly installed cell editions are marked with an asterisk (*) sign, for example: NL400122 Ed 17*
- Old cells edition are marked with red circles.
- Current cell editions are marked with green circles.

The update names are identified as follows:

- Green circle in front of the update shows that the update review is available.
- Red icon is used when update are not available.



To expand the session list and view the session update, select the name of the modified object and click the **Highlight selected object** button. The chart is centered on the selected objects and they are highlighted.



Use buttons **Before Update ##** and **After Update ##** for switching on and off the result of the update. **##** indicates the number of selected update.

Display updates under the route

Right-click on the route and select the **Display updates under the route** item from the list.

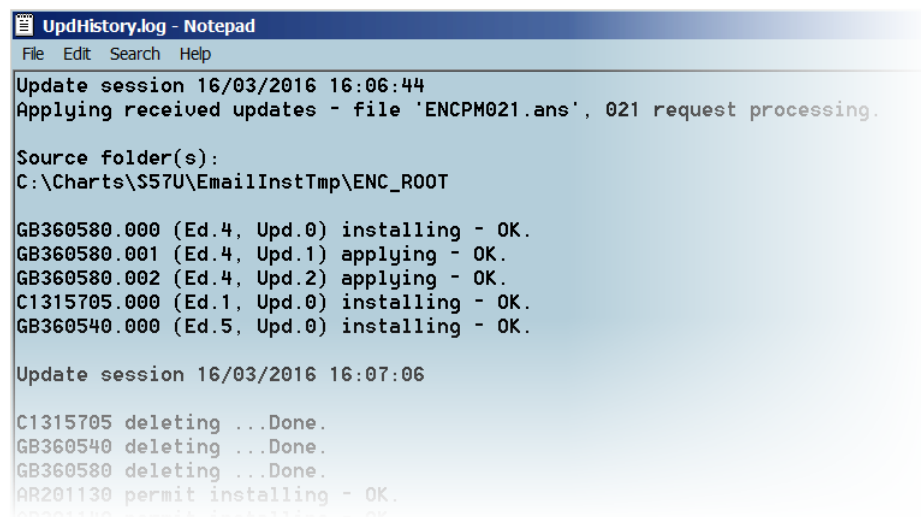
→ **Note:** To display updates inside a selected chart area, right-click on the route and select the **Display updates inside screen area** item from the list.

The list of cells contains updated cells under the route.

Update history

Update history of a collection

To display the update history of entire collection, click the **History of updates** button in the Chart management dialog. An individual cell update history is available in the ENC properties dialog.



Display the update history with information about when the updates have been applied and which cells were updated.

Cancellation update

When an ENC chart is replaced by another chart a special update file is included in the updates. After update of the ENC chart database the old chart is automatically removed from the collection.

Multi ECDIS workstations in LAN

When the chart installation and updates are done on one station, ECDIS offers the option to copy the updated database over the network, automatically updating all ENC databases in other stations connected to the LAN.

Proceed as follows:

1. Install and/or update ENC database on the planning station.
2. In Chart management dialog click the **Copy database** button.
3. The list of remote PC running ECDIS and connected to the LAN is listed in the dialog.
4. Select the PC(s) on which the ENC should be copied and click the **Copy Database** button.

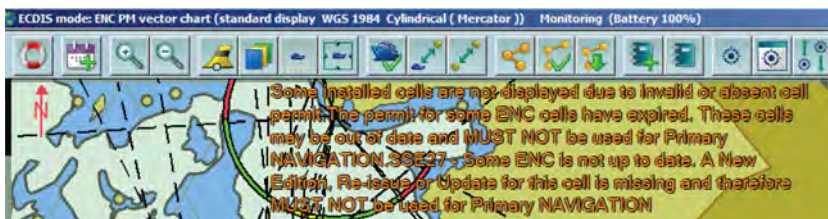
→ **Note:** Please pay attention to the ENC code of the dongles on each ECDIS workstation over the network, this function overrides the the chart permits and could generate 'Invalid chart permit' errors.

Notifications

Some important information is displayed at the top of the chart area. The user receives notifications of the following situations:

- Chart overlapping: when two cells with equal scales and usage overlap on the screen.
- Chart information is not up to date: when the displayed chart area contains charts with not up to date status. The indication is displayed while the chart status is changed or the chart is moved from the displayed chart area.
- NON ENC Data available! Refer to paper chart.
- Manual cells loading is activated!
- Some installed cells are not displayed due to invalid or absent cell permit.
- Permits of some ENC cells are expired. These cells may be out of date and **MUST NOT** be used for Primary NAVIGATION.
- SSE27 - Some ENC is not up to date. A New Edition, Re-issue or Update for this cell is missing and therefore **MUST NOT** be used for Primary NAVIGATION.
- Time dependent objects can be improperly displayed.
- S-63 test data mode is activated. To handle ENC data please switch back to navigation mode.

For more details about the time dependent objects, refer to "*S57 manual update editor*" on page 165 .



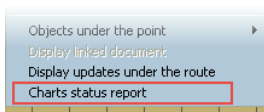
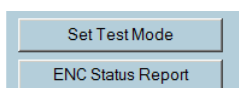
ENC status report

You can get charts status report both for a selected chart collection and for charts under a route.

Select the collection and click the **ENC Status Report** button.

To get the status report along the route, right-click on the route and select the **Chart status report** item.

The report of chart status along the route is displayed.



Report

ENC PM collection status

Vessel Name:
Identifier:
ENC Update Reference Date:
Date of Report:
Content:
Start WP:
End WP:

UNKNOWN
IMO 0
WK19 Feb 2016 : WK8/2016
22 Apr 2016 (14:29)
Filtered for route plan "RotterdamInOut"
N/A [52.016933N, 3.747050E]
N/A [52.011117N, 3.690067E]

Chart Status Summary

Chart Status:
Total:
Up to Date:
Not Up to Date:
Withdrawn:
Unknown:

Count:
18
10/18
8/18
4/18
0/18

Data collection: PM					
Cell name	Edition	Update	Issue date	Status	Permit till
NL68079B	1	0	17 Nov 2015	Up to Date	Valid till 02/06/2016
NL50209A	1	2	23 Sep 2015	Up to Date	Valid till 02/06/2016
NL101014	1	5	7 Apr 2015	Up to Date	Valid till 30/06/2016
NL50209B	1	0	29 Sep 2015	Up to Date	Valid till 30/06/2016
NL500207	1	8	26 Feb 2015	Up to Date - Not up-to-date (Edt1; Upd9 is available)	Valid till 02/06/2016
NL500208	1	2	10 Aug 2015	Up to Date - Not up-to-date (Edt1; Upd3 is available)	Valid till 02/06/2016
NL68093A	1	0	17 Nov 2015	Up to Date	Valid till 02/06/2016
NL50209C	1	1	30 Oct 2015	Up to Date	Valid till 02/06/2016

Chart collection status report

You can get a report for any chart collection which is available in the **Chart management** dialog.

1. Open the Chart management dialog.
2. Select a chart collection.
3. Click the **ENC status report** button, the report is open.
4. If the selected collection contains more than 1000 charts, the system proposes to specify prefix for reducing the number of charts.
 - Select the prefix and click the **Print selected** button to get the report for the part of the collection.
 - Click the **Print all** button to get the report for the entire collection.
5. Click the **Print** button in the report window

Charts under the route status report

This report is for licensed charts of PM and GB collections only.

1. Right-click on the route.
2. Select **Chart status report** from the menu.
3. Click the **Print** button in the **Report** window.

AIO Layer

A specific Information Layer, AIO (Admiralty Information Overlay) is available in areas covered by ENC cells present in AVCS collection.

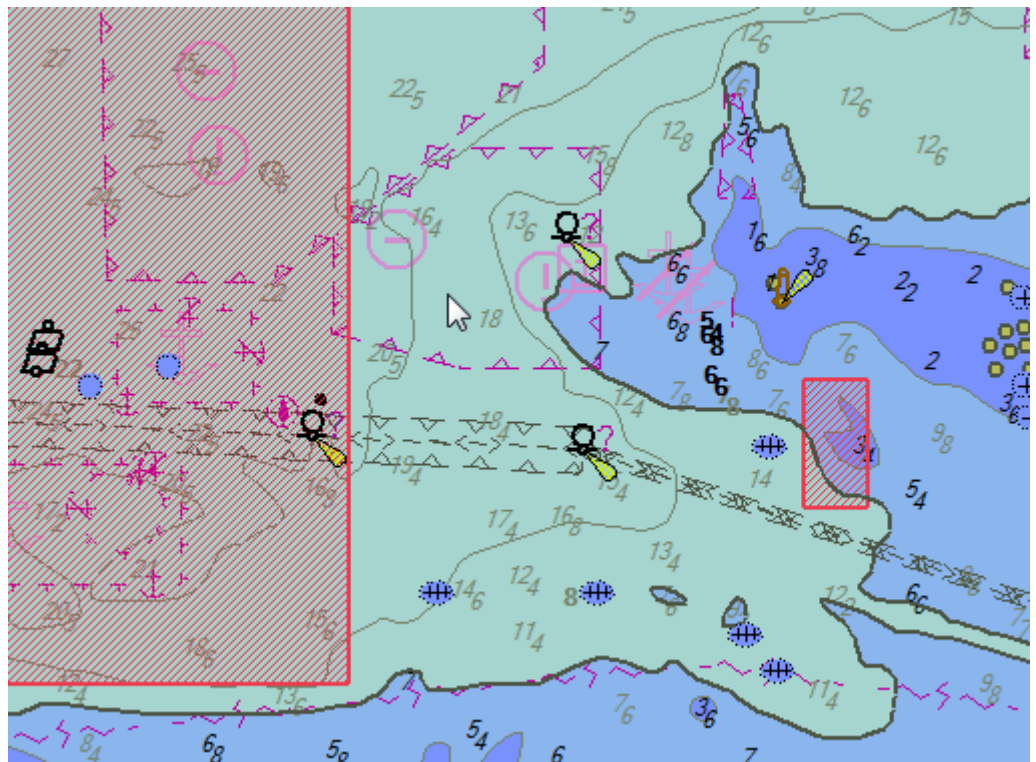
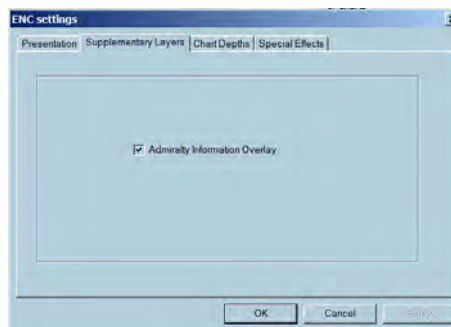
Installing AIO

This cell, GB800001, is worldwide and data will be displayed in areas covered by ENC cells present in AVCS collection

A permit is necessary to install it, and it is displayed in Chart management as others cells.

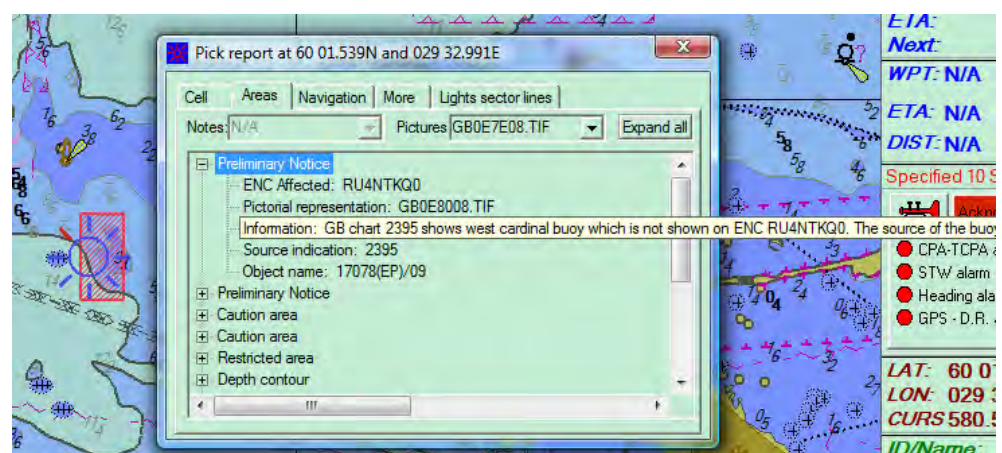
Activating AIO

AIO Data Display is activated from S57 Settings menu, tab Supplementary Layers:



Information

Right-click on red area and display T&P notice information in **Areas** tab.



Update request and response

The online update is possible when the PC is connected to Internet. This can be done in different ways:

- The ECDIS PC is connected to the LAN and a PC on the LAN is the Internet access server with the chart provider software installed.

- The ECDIS PC has the chart provider software installed and uses a modem and the connection with the Internet provider is established manually.
 - A GSM is connected to the PC with the chart provider software installed and the connection with the Internet provider is established manually.
- **Note:** It is also possible to use ARCS and ENC update services even when the ECDIS900 PC is not connected to Internet. In this case, it is necessary to use either a removable drive or a USB memory stick.

The mariners are able to update:

- Only selected charts
- All charts necessary for a specific voyage
- All charts included inside the screen area
- All charts installed on board

The ECDIS900 automatically checks the status of all installed charts and the last applied updates for each chart.

A file containing all information concerning the status of all charts and updates is created and sent via Internet to the chart server.

Response

After a few minutes the user receives an answer.

ECDIS900 automatically detects the response from the chart server and applies the update to the database after informing the user.

Chart borders

Chart borders indicate the chart status and permit status for the particular chart.

- **Note:** In case the chart is out of date or not installed, its border is displayed as dashed line. The line color corresponds to the permit status.

The chart borders displayed with solid lines have colors that correspond to their status:

- Red: the permit is expired or invalid for current HWID
- Yellow: the permit will expire in less than one month
- Green: the permit is valid
- Black: the chart does not need a permit

In the picture below the following charts are represented:

- Green solid border: up-to-date chart with valid permit
- Green dashed border: out-of-date chart with a valid permit or the chart is not installed, but its permit is valid
- Yellow solid border: up-to-date chart with a permit that will expire in less than one month
- Yellow dashed border: out-of-date chart with a permit that will expire in less than one month, or the chart is not installed and the permit will expire in less than one month.

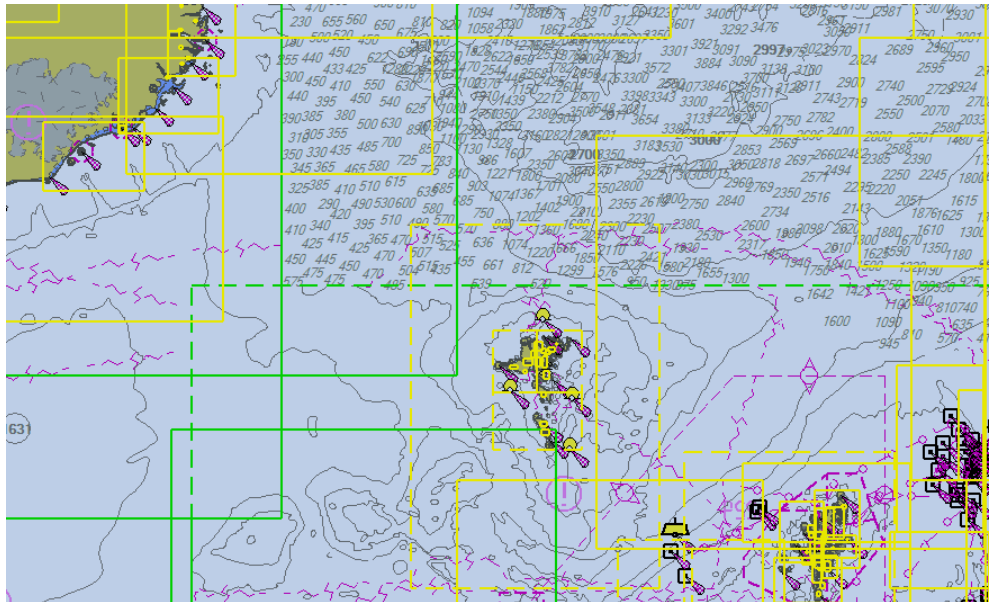


Chart settings

When an ENC chart is first displayed, the cell is displayed at the largest scale available in the SENC for the displayed area and the standard display provided. When several cells appear on the display the boundaries between cells are displayed.

→ **Note:** It is not possible to remove information contained in the display base.

To display the chart settings dialog, right-click anywhere on the chart and select **Chart settings**.

The **Presentation** tab contains configuration settings of the chart display.

The **Chart Depth** tab is used for setting the chart projection type, safety and contours values, which depend on the ship characteristics (refer to "*Chart depths*" on page 55). These values are extremely important because they will change the chart display and are used for the anti-grounding calculation.

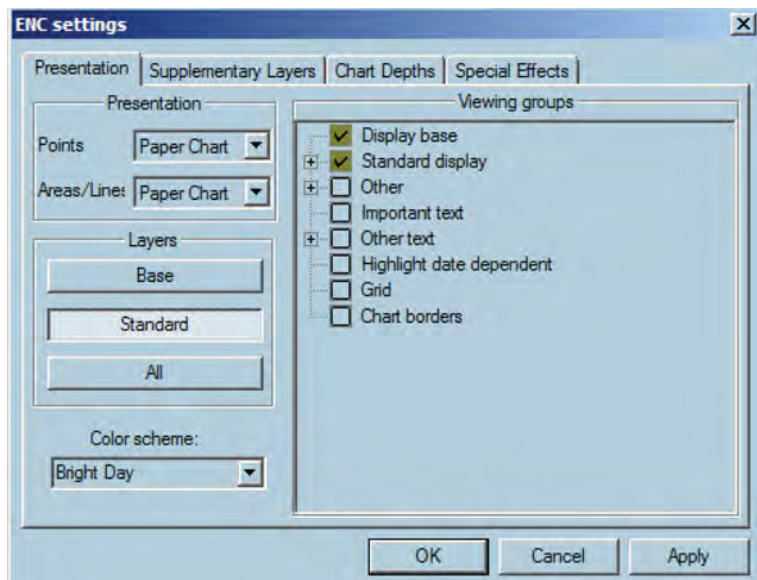
The **Special Effects** tab contains ENC/ARCS/AVCS seamless mode options, flashing lights and manual chart band usage (refer to "*Special Effects*" on page 56).

Use the **Supplementary Layers** tab to activate the AIO Data Display. For details, refer to "*AIO Layer*" on page 71.

Presentation

Standard layer configuration

The default layers configuration is **Standard**. The set of layers to show is specified in IEC 61174, ed.4.



→ **Note:** Any change of the Standard configuration triggers the alert indication. The indication is displayed on the Legend panel of Console area. For details, refer to "*Legend panel*" on page 24.

The Standard configuration specifies the set of layers only. Color scheme and Presentation parameters can be changed without triggering an alert.

Other configurations

The **Base** configuration contains layers that must always be displayed: coastline, safety contour, isolated danger, aid to navigation, recommended routes, and traffic separation schemes. It is not possible to toggle off the **Display base** item.

The **All** configuration contains the maximum of layers to display, including depth spots, cables and pipelines, ferry crossing, names, depth contours deeper than the safety contour.

Presentation settings

With the Simplified presentation symbols are displayed in a synthetic way.

In **Paper like** presentation, the presentations of floating buoys are presented in their actual colors.

Points-Areas/Line options are the following:

- Paper like
- Traditional
- Simplified

Color scheme

Click on the down-arrow and select a color scheme. Alternatively, press the hot key F8 to switch from one color scheme to another.

Viewing groups

Lists of display options, any combination of which may be switched on or off. This option, used in combination with the layer Option, allows for selecting the objects to be displayed.

Viewing group example:

Expand the **Other** option by clicking the + sign next to it and then select the check box next to **Spot soundings** to display spot soundings or deselect the check-box to remove the soundings. Alternatively, press Ctrl+C to display spot soundings or Ctrl+Shift+C to remove soundings.

ARCS

By default, ECDIS displays charts in a chart-by-chart mode. However, the option **Seamless mode** (see "*ARCS seamless mode*" on page 85) is available making it possible to display the active ARCS chart together with adjacent charts in a seamless way.

ARCS charts are scanned copies of paper charts. A displayed ARCS chart includes the same information as appears on the copied paper chart. Source information about each chart is accessible from the **ARCS properties** dialog.

Copy protection

ARCS charts are copy protected with a dongle. In order to use and display ARCS charts in ECDIS it is necessary to:

- Enter a valid ARCS PIN code when required.
- Install ARCS chart permits.
- Install the charts from the CDs and update them.

ARCS and multi ECDIS workstations

Where several ECDIS workstations are installed on board, duplicate dongles can be provided using the same ARCS license. The chart licenses and updates have to be installed and updated locally on each workstation.

Using ARCS charts

In this chapter the user will learn how to:

- Access to the Chart management dialog (see "*Chart management*" on page 76) to get all information about the chart database, to install, delete or update charts
- Install chart permits (see "*Permits*" on page 77)
- Install new charts (see "*Install charts*" on page 78)
- Update the charts manually (see "*Updates*" on page 79)
- Interpret errors that may occur during installation or update (see "*Common errors in ARCS chart management*" on page 185)
- Switch to ARCS (see "*Switching to ARCS*" on page 81)
- Zoom and change scales (see "*Zooming*" on page 82)
- Modify the layout of the chart with the chart settings (see "*Chart settings*" on page 83)
- Access to the chart properties (see "*Chart properties*" on page 84).
- Update paper charts with aid of ARCS updates (see "*Help for paper chart correction*" on page 80)
- Check the chart collection status including all applied updates references and dates of updating (see "*Chart collection status*" on page 85).

RCDS mode

When an ARCS chart is selected (right-click on the chart and in the pop-up menu click **Other charts/ARCS**), the proper chart will appear on the display and the RCDS mode is indicated in the windows title bar at the top left hand corner of the screen.

 **RCDS mode: Oslofjorden - Southern Part (3159) - European 1950 (-0.03, -0.08) Monitoring**

In addition to the name and ID of the charts, ECDIS900 displays the datum of the chart and the datum shift between this datum and WGS84.

→ **Note:** When no datum information is available for the chart, the system displays the message 'Undetermined' in the windows title.

ENC data available indicator

When a route is checked for danger, an indication is given when the route crosses an area covered by ENC data. When a route is being monitored (see "*Route monitoring*" on page 105) an alarm is given when the ship enters an area covered by ENC data.

Chart management

The ECDIS900 software is copy protected with a dongle and Personal Identification Number (PIN).

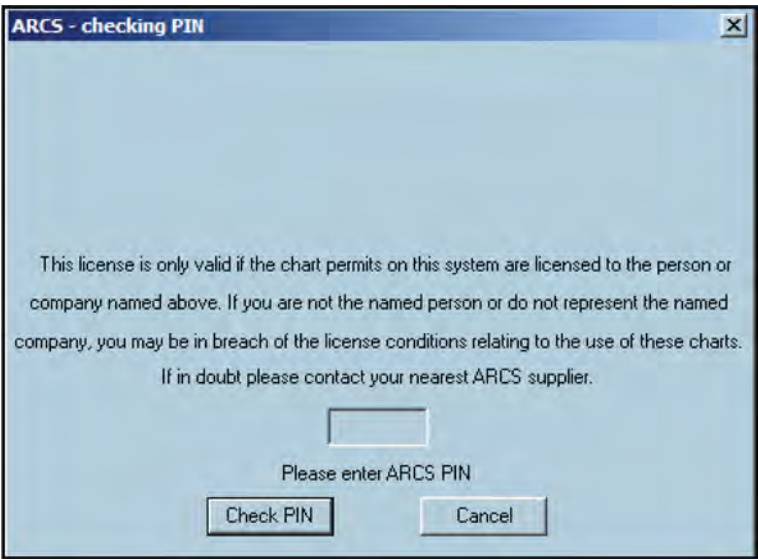
Each ARCS chart permit has a unique 40-digit code linked to a UKHO User Permit Number issued against a customer PIN.

The PIN number must be entered when asked on the first occasion ARCS charts are installed. The ARCS User License Number (6 digits) is required when ordering charts.

Entering PIN code

If the PIN is invalid, a warning appears and the mariner has to retype the PIN code.

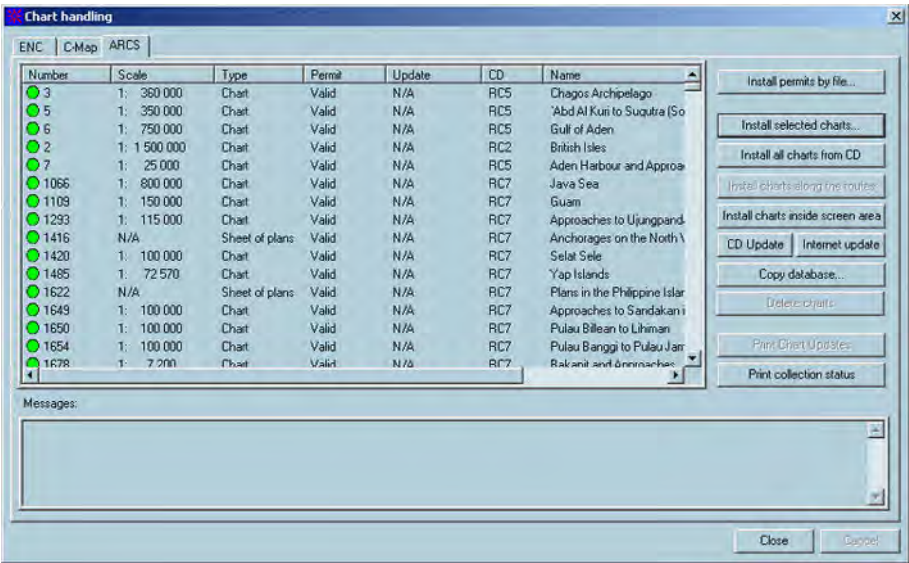
After three failed attempts, the system does not allow the user to enter the PIN again for a certain period of time.



If the problem persists, contact NAVICO support.

Chart management

Management of the ARCS chart database is carried out within the Chart management dialog. Select the ARCS tab and install permits or charts, delete charts or update the database, or access the collection status from this dialog.



Permits

To display charts in ECDIS900, it is necessary to enter a permit for each chart. Each ARCS chart permit is encrypted and linked to the licensed users **User permit number**. Chart permits can be delivered as a file containing the code for each chart or as a 40-digit text message sent by email or fax. In both cases the first step towards installing new charts is to install the chart permits.

The UK Hydrographic Office (UKHO) has eleven ARCS area CDs (with about 300 charts on each) available for users. Area chart CDs are issued free to licensed users by the UKHO distributors. These area CDs are reissued when a sufficient number of charts on the CD have been reissued as new editions or cancelled.

Until the area CD is reissued, the new edition charts are provided for the user on the weekly update CD.

In addition to new edition charts, each weekly Update CD contains the cumulative correctional data for all ARCS charts.

The only type of ARCS license available is:

- **Navigator Service.** This service is designed for commercial ships that require a fully up to date chart outfit. The user will be licensed to a specified chart holding for a defined period of time. Within this period the user will be entitled to freely access all Notice to Mariners and New Editions that relate to the licensed chart holding. At the end of the licensed period the user will have to renew the license or will no longer be able to access any of the charts.

Install permits by file

1. Click the **Install permits by file** button
2. Browse the computer to select the appropriate folder **CONTAINING** the permit files. The Navigator files are named **gb.lcn** and **gb.ncp**. The Skipper files are named **gb.scp**. The new files are automatically sent to the correct folders in the ECDIS software.

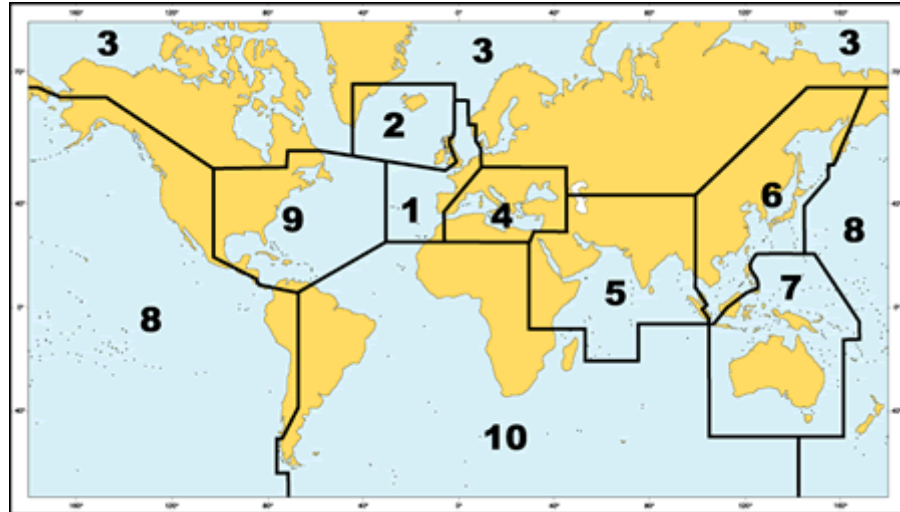
Users normally receive permit files in a folder sent by email, or on a memory stick sent by post.

⚠ Warning: Clicking the Install permits by file button installs permits. This function deletes the existing chart permit file, overwriting it with the new one and therefore should only be run the first time that permits are installed.

- **Note:** When new permits are ordered or when the permits are reissued, the files received from UKHO by email or memory stick contain all permits, the new and the old ones.

Install charts

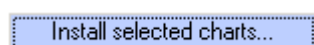
ARCS charts are delivered on 11 Area CD's (RC1 to RC11). Each Area CD covers a defined geographic area (see ARCS Area diagram). New Edition charts for all areas are initially placed on the Weekly Update CD. When a sufficient number of charts on an area CD have been replaced by New Editions, a new Area CD is released with all New Editions included.



- **Note:** At any time, up to ten per cent of the charts on an area CD may have been replaced by New Editions contained on the latest Update CD. Users should always install relevant New Edition charts from the Update CD before applying the Updates. The update CD contains the latest ARCS chart catalog plus cumulative updates for all charts in the catalog. Each Area CD and Update CD has the date on the label. Only the latest CD of either type should be retained on board and used with the system.

Install selected charts

1. Click the **Install selected charts** button and the system will list all charts on the CD-ROM along with the parameters: Number, Scale, Permits, Status, and Name.



2. Make a selection using standard windows procedures, and click **Install**.

3. Click **CTRL + Install selected charts** button to select CD in a shared drive in the LAN.
 4. The charts with a valid installed permit are displayed with a green spot in the left hand column. If the permit is not valid the spot is red. Select the chart or charts to be installed and then click the Install charts button. The charts are copied onto the hard disk.
 5. The list of charts can be sorted, either ascending or descending, for each parameter. By default, charts with a valid permit are displayed at the top of the list. To sort the list, click on the column headings. Alternative clicks will sort the list in ascending and then descending order.
- **Note:** The user may install charts without permits (or with invalid permits) and then install permits later. If sufficient disk space is available, it is recommended to install all the charts in the trading area and only purchase the chart permits needed. Chart permits for charts not normally used, or covering routes to ports of refuge or diversion, can be ordered by phone, fax or email, with immediate response in an emergency.

Install all charts from the CD

In order to speed up the installation procedure the system can install the full CD.

1. Click the **Install all charts from CD** button and the system will list all charts on the CD-ROM along with the parameters: Number, Scale, Permits, Status, and Name.
2. Highlight all the charts, using standard windows procedures, and then click the **Install** button.

Install charts along routes or inside a screen area

In order to reduce the number of ARCS charts installed on the hard disk, ECDIS900 can automatically select the charts on the loaded Area CD that intersect the loaded routes or the screen area.

1. To achieve this, before activating the **Chart management** dialog, load the routes or zoom and scroll the chart at the desired location, then click the appropriate button.
2. Click the **Install charts along the routes** button and the system will install the charts along the loaded route.
3. Click the **Install charts inside screen area** button and the system will install all permitted charts within the screen area.

Delete charts

Select a chart or charts and click the **Delete charts** button to remove the charts from the collection.

→ **Note:** When deletion is confirmed, the chart is deleted from the hard disk.

The possible errors, which may occur during the installation, are listed below. For more details about the errors, refer to "*Common errors in ARCS chart management*" on page 185.

Updates

In order to provide the navigation safety, the navigator has to update the chart collection with the latest corrections. HO issues the Update CDs with the Notice to Mariners corrections and the new charts editions each week.

Updates can be installed from the **Update CD** issued by UKHO.

Update by CD

The UKHO issues an Update CD with New Edition charts and Notice to Mariners corrections each week.

1. Insert the update CD ROM in the CD reader and click the **Apply update** button. The system will automatically update the charts that have a valid permit.
- **Note:** If there are new edition charts on the update CD for which the user has valid permits, then ECDIS offers to install the charts.
- **Note:** Information regarding the update process is displayed in the Messages area. To check if ARCS charts are up to date, the date of the last update is displayed in the Chart management dialog.

→ **Note:** If a large number of charts are involved the process may take some time.

Checking updated objects on the chart

To check what has been updated, it is possible to temporarily switch between the display of updated chart and the original chart.

1. Select the option **Display updated tiles borders** in the **Chart settings** dialog to display the borders of updated tiles.
2. Press and hold **B** to display the base chart before updating.
3. Release the key to display the updated chart.

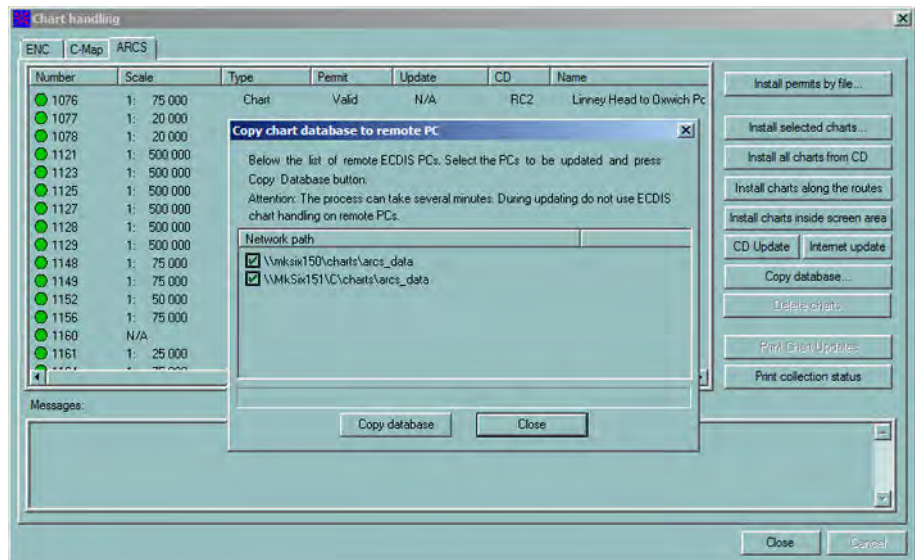
Copy database for a multi ECDIS system

As with ENC charts, when an ARCS chart installation and update is completed on one station, ECDIS provides the option to copy the updated database over the network, from one station to other stations. This transfer is optimized.

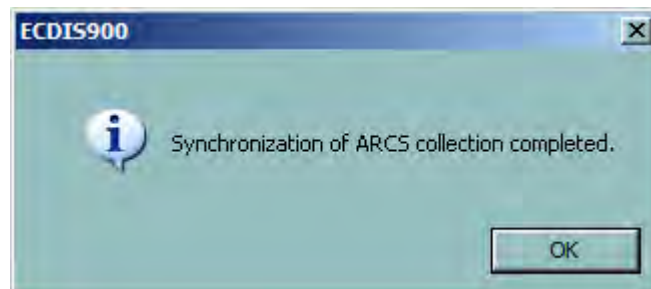
Proceed as follows:

1. Install and/or update ARCS database on the planning station.
2. In the Chart management dialog click the **Copy database** button.
3. The list of remote PC running ECDIS and connected to the LAN is listed in the open dialog.
4. Select the PC(s) on which the ARCs should be copied and click **Copy database**.

On the remote station, ARCS is deactivated in case ARCS charts are used.



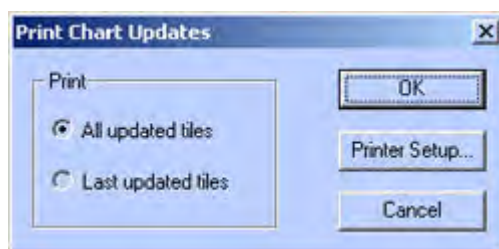
After transfer is completed, the following pop-up window is displayed:



Help for paper chart correction

In order to facilitate the correction of paper charts, updated tiles (Notes to Mariners corrections) for a chosen chart can be printed on a black/white or color printer. These tiles may be stuck on the chart in the appropriate place or used to augment the relevant NM chart correction, by showing the user how the correction should be applied by hand.

1. Click the **Print Chart Updates** button to print the paper copy of the chart updated tiles.
2. Select the tiles to be printed:

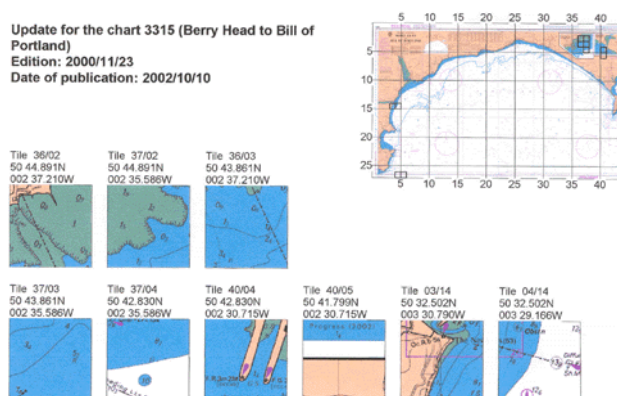


- All tiles that have been updated since the base chart was issued.
- The tiles have been updated only in the latest update procedure.

Checking the updated objects on the chart

1. Select the option **Display updated tiles borders** in the Chart settings dialog to display the borders of updated tiles.
2. Press and hold the **B** key to display the base chart before updating.
3. Release the **B** key to display the updated chart.

Example of printing

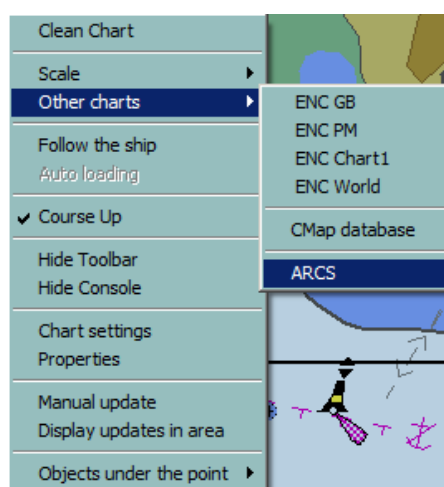


Switching to ARCS

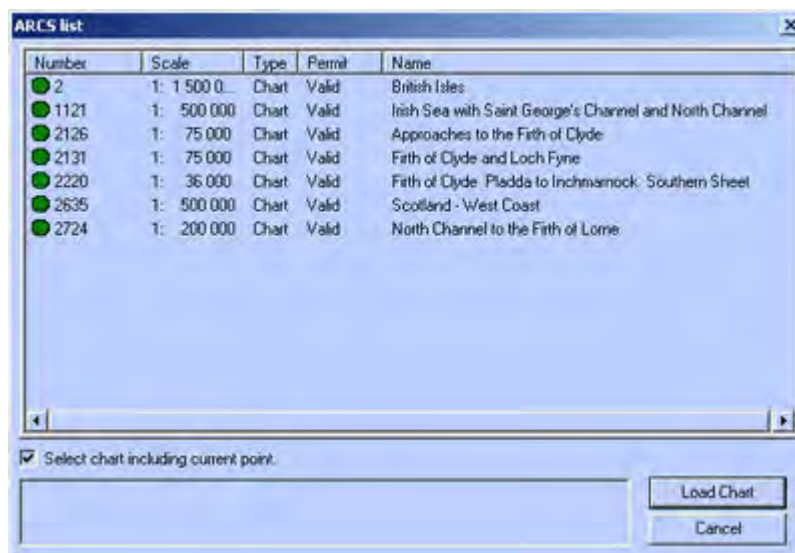
There are several ways to switch between the chart types available in ECDIS.

By selecting from the menu list

Right-click on the chart, select **Other charts**, and then select ARCS.



ECDIS lists all ARCS charts which are available at the current cursor position.



The color of the chart indicator indicates the chart permit status:

- **Green** – the chart permit is valid.
- **Yellow** – permit warning. The chart permit must be updated.
- **Red** – the chart permit is not valid.

There are two ways to select a chart to be loaded:

- Click on the chart number and click **Load chart**.
- Double-click on the chart number.

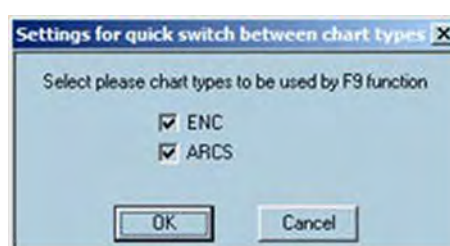
To list all available ARCS charts, toggle off the check box **Select chart including current point**.

→ **Note:** In order to facilitate the speedy selection of charts, the contents of the columns in the Chart management window may be sorted in ascending or descending order by clicking on the column heading.

By pressing the shortcut key

Press **F9** to select another type of chart. If ARCS is selected, the chart with the best scale and centered in the middle of the current screen will be loaded automatically.

To customize the way of switching chart types, press the **Ctrl + F9** keys to open the set up dialog where you can select the chart to be used.



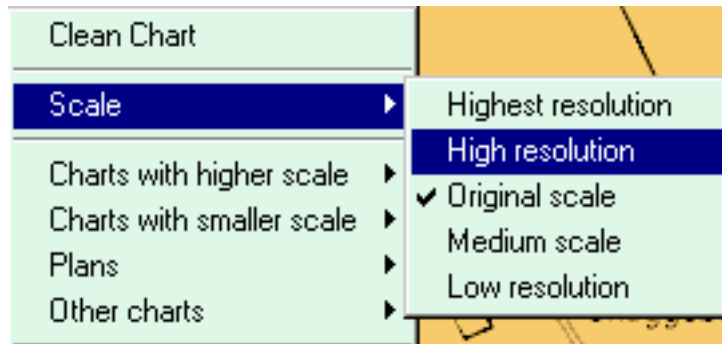
Switching from the Chart management dialog

Double-click on the chart number to load the ARCS chart directly from the **Chart management** dialog.

Zooming

ARCS charts are produced in their original scale, such as 1:50,000.

The ECDIS900 will always open a chart at its surveyed scale. (Original scale).



- The user can zoom out to show half the chart area on the screen (medium scale) and out again to show the whole chart in overview (low resolution).
- The user can also zoom in to display the chart at High resolution (Original scale * 2), Highest resolution (Original scale * 4).
- A warning will appear on the screen when the chart is displayed at any scale other than the original scale. **Only the original scale should be used for navigation.**

Zooming can be achieved by using the two proper toolbar buttons, or using the **F1** key to zoom in and **F2** key to zoom out.



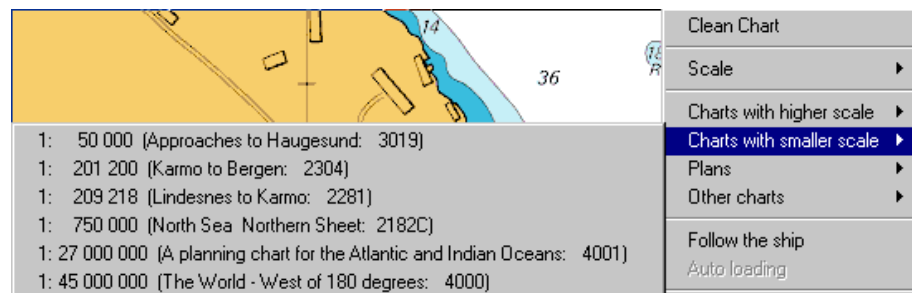
When operating ARCS in seamless mode, zooming is achieved by selecting a new chart from the catalog.

Choosing a new ARCS chart By menu

To select another ARCS chart or a plan included on the current chart, move the cursor to an appropriate point on the chart and right-click to bring up the menu.

Locate the cursor on either Charts with higher scale or Charts with lower scale to display the list of available charts.

ECDIS scans the chart catalog to find all available charts containing the point where the cursor was located and displays these charts.



To move to a plan, click Plans and a menu of available plans relating to the current chart will appear. Select a plan and the system displays it.

By dialog

To load any other ARCS chart, not containing the point clicked on, locate the cursor anywhere on the chart, right click, locate the cursor on Other Charts, select ARCS and toggle off the check box Select chart including current point as described in the previous paragraph.

By mouse

In chart-by-chart mode, locate the cursor outside the chart and double-click. ECDIS scans the catalog to find all available charts containing the point where the cursor was located. The best scale chart is loaded and displayed.

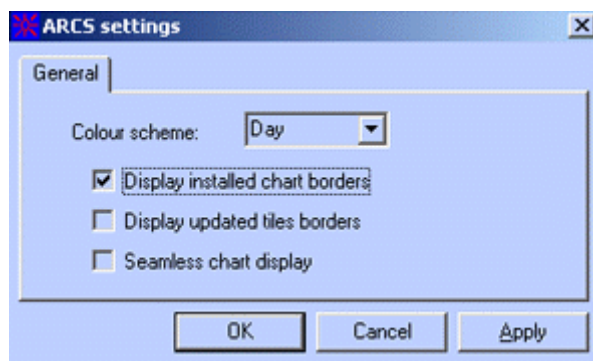
In seamless mode, double-click on the inactive chart to make it active.

By hotkeys or buttons

Press **+** or **-** to load the chart containing the center of the screen with higher or lower scale. Alternatively, right-click on the zoom in zoom out buttons to achieve the same result.

Chart settings

To change the color scheme, select the relevant item in the color menu.



Toggle the box **Display Chart Borders** to highlight the charts available on the hard disk.

→ **Note:** Clicking on the borderline of the chart displays information about the chart.

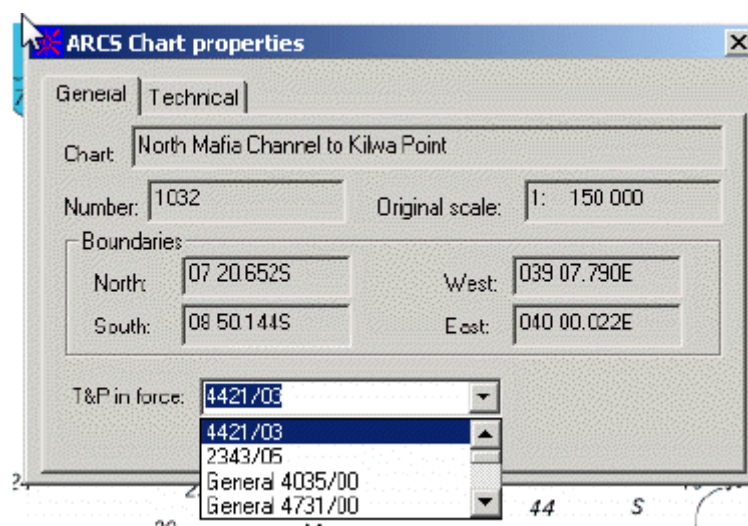
Tick the **Display updated tiles borders** box to highlight the tiles which have been updated since the original chart was issued.

Toggle the box **Seamless chart display** to switch on the seamless mode.

Chart properties

The **ARCS Properties** dialog provides information about the paper chart used to produce the electronic chart and also gives direct access to the notes included in the paper chart.

The properties dialog box for an ARCS chart has 2 tabs: General and Technical.



The General page displays general information about the paper chart used to compile the loaded ARCS chart.

Temporary and Preliminary Notices

The Temporary and Preliminary Notices to Mariners still in force are issued every week by the British Admiralty and are copied from the ARCS update CD to the hard disk each time ARCS charts are updated in ECDIS900.

There are two types of T&P notices:

- General, applying to an area
- Specific, linked to one specific ARCS chart.

To access, after update, the list of T&P still in force, right-click on the ARCS chart and select Properties.

Select the T&P in the pop up menu located at the bottom of the window and a text window displays the text of the NtM.

Tip: For each chart, the list includes the specific notices that apply to the selected chart only plus all general T&P Notices.

The **Technical** page displays additional information about the chart and gives direct access to the chart notes.



The notes belonging to the current charts are listed in the ARCS notes menu. Selecting one of the notes opens a window and shows the notes.

ARCS note							
Tidal Levels referred to Datum of Soundings							
Place	Lat N	Long W	Heights in metres above datum				Datum and Remarks
			MHWS	MHWN	MLWN	MLWS	
Mumbles	51°34'	3°58'	9.3	6.9	3.1	0.9	5.00m below Ordnance Datum (Newlyn)
Swansea	51 31	3 55	9.5	7.2	3.2	1.1	5.00m below Ordnance Datum (Newlyn)
Port Talbot	51 35	3 49	9.6	7.3	3.3	1.0	5.20m below Ordnance Datum (Newlyn)

Chart collection status

In Chart management dialog, click the button **Print collection status** to get the current chart collection status.

The two files are displayed in Notepad:

- The file **ARCS_status.txt** contains the state of the chart collection. The first part contains license details, hardware ID, User Permit and PIN code. The second part contains all installed charts description: chart number, chart title, permit diagnostic, chart original scale, source CD, update CD date, permit expiry date, permit and chart encryption number. The third part contains the all installed permits descriptions: expiry date and encryption number.
- The file **ARCS_Hndl.log** records all chart management operations: operation type, date and time of the operation, the CD identification for chart installation and updating, the chart list with successful result, the chart list with failure result.

→ **Note:** Both of the above files are saved in the folder \ECDIS_UserData\Chart_log. If a problem occurs with chart management, send these files to the Technical Support team.

ARCS seamless mode

When ARCS seamless mode is active, ECDIS displays the current active chart together with adjacent charts (where possible) as detailed below:

Only ONE chart active at a time, the surrounding charts are shown in the same datum and at the same scale as active one but are shadowed.

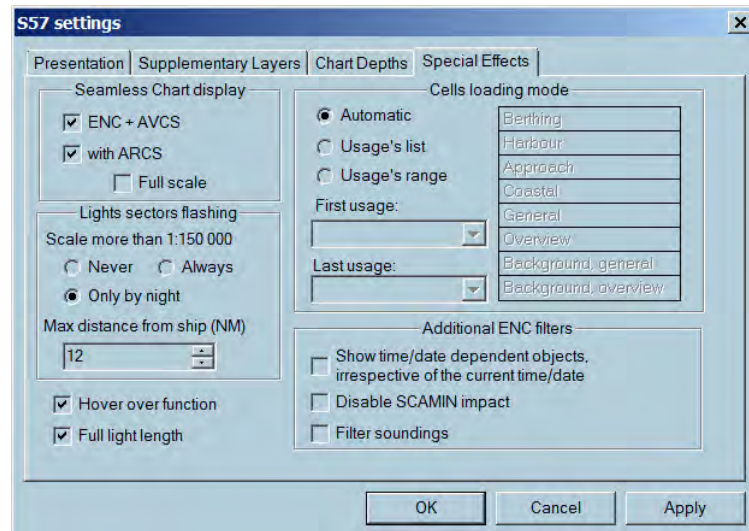
→ **Note:** Whilst the surrounding charts are displayed at the same scale, this may not be their natural scale. The surrounding charts shown could be built from several different scale charts zoomed to the scale of the chart in use. In some cases the charts will not merge exactly. It should be understood that the surrounding shadowed charts are displayed for information only and should not be used for navigation.

When ECDIS needs to fill in a part of the screen with another chart, the search starts with charts of the same scale and then if no chart with the same scale is available the search is extended to charts with higher and lower scale.

The system stops searching if there is no chart available at a scale between 1/4 and 4 times the active chart scale.

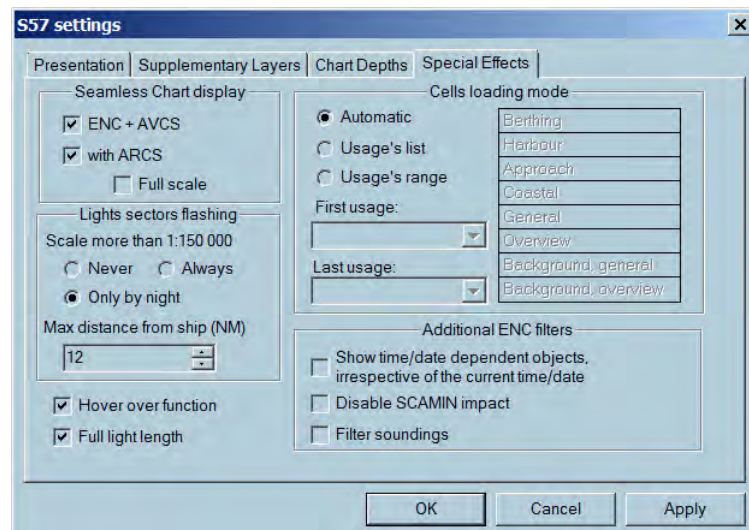
The user should click on a shadowed chart to get all information about the chart and double-click on a shadowed chart to activate it.

To switch on the seamless mode tick the **with ARCS** check box in the Seamless Chart display group. The default state is **Simple scale**. To get the best scaled ARCS displaying for the chart area, tick on the **Full scale**.

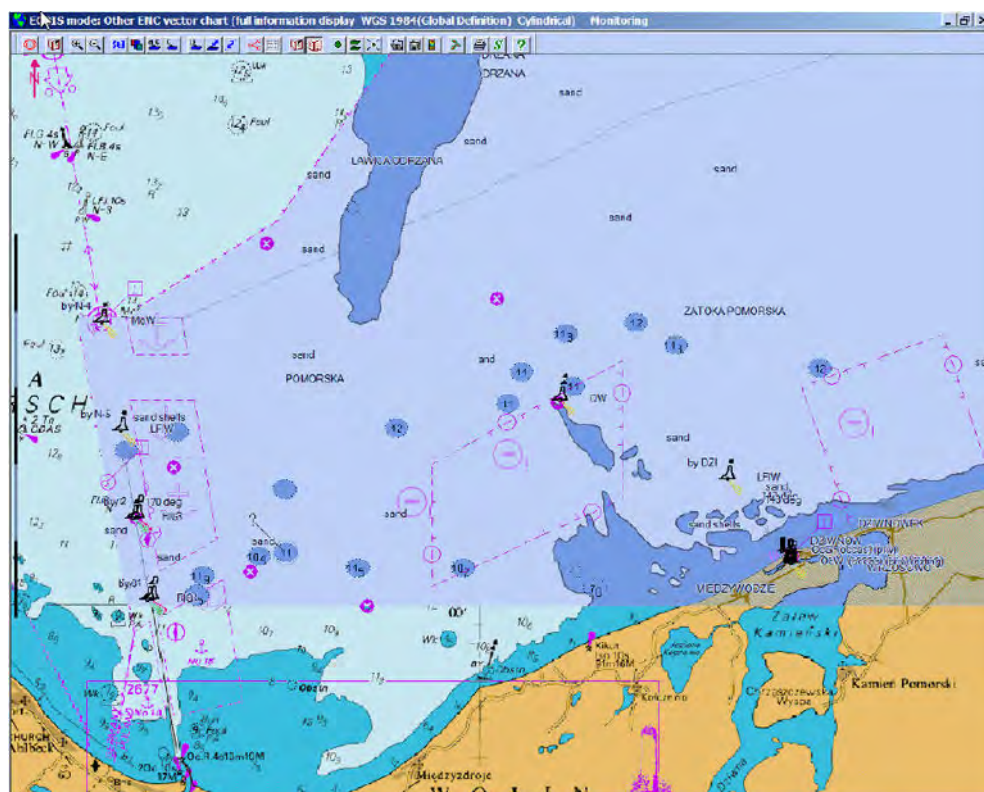


Seamless ENC/ARCS

It is possible to display the best chart coverage for the area using all available chart collections. In general the ENC, AVCS and ARCS can be displayed at the same time if **ENC +AVCS** and **with ARCS** are ticked on.



If ARCS charts are installed together with ENC, the chart on the screen can be displayed in seamless mode, meaning that for the area of the screen not covered by ENC charts, ARCS charts is used to complete the pictures.



Display strategy

When ENC cells do not cover the whole screen, ECDIS900 looks for an ARCS chart with the closest scale within the limits of 4 times the current scale. ARCS chart is then eventually shifted according to its datum and zoomed according to the scale in use.

If no ARCS chart is found, the general ENC background chart is used to complete the coverage.

See "ARCS seamless mode" on page 85 for more details.

RCDS mode and route checking

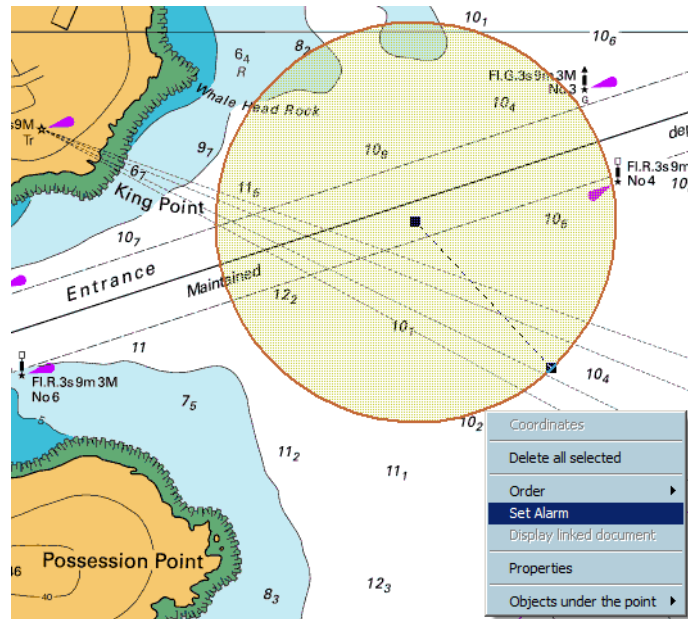
Alarm object

The object editor (OE) is used to plot user data on the charts: simple point, lines or areas. For more details see "Editors overview" on page 148.

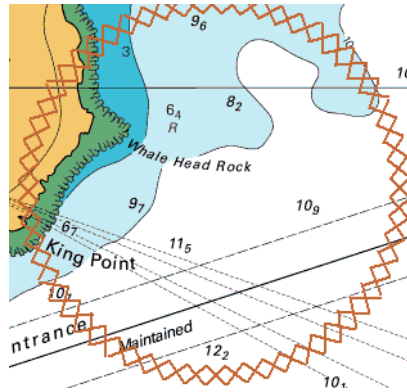
An alarm object is a geographical area which triggers an alarm when the ship sails into it or when a planned route crosses it.

Define alarm object

Right-click on the object outline plotted on the chart, and click **Set alarm** in the pop-up menu.



The object outline changes to red to underline that it has become an **alarm object**. The width is one pixel and the area is not filled.



Where the alarmed object is a point, this is surrounded by a red rectangle.



Monitoring user alarm

When the ship's guard zone intercepts an alarmed object, an alarm is triggered. The alarm is displayed as long as the alarmed object remains inside the ship's guard zone.

→ **Note:** The guard zone depends on time and speed.

Route planning user alarm

In RCDS mode route checking against chart data is not possible, but the function **Check route** checks the planned route against user defined alarms and notifies when an alarmed area is violated.

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Routes

Warning: Routing functions are intended for general route guidance only, and are not intended to be precisely followed or relied on as the operator's only reference source. It is the operator's sole responsibility to review the suggested route against official publications and situational awareness.

A route is defined as the chosen path between two ports. A route consists of a start waypoint, an end waypoint, and a number of turning waypoints in between.

The segments between waypoints can be either **Great circle** or **Thumb line legs**.

There are several ways to create a route:

- Directly on the chart using graphic tools
- By keyboard using the route plan window
- Selecting existing waypoints
- Importing route from different ECDIS systems
- By downloading from GPS.

ECDIS provides the user with a variety of facilities for route planning and route monitoring.

Once the route is created, it can be saved on a hard disk for further use along with other routes. The route can be edited and modified, unloaded or deleted, locked, and the safety of the route can be checked against dangers that may be present along the segments.

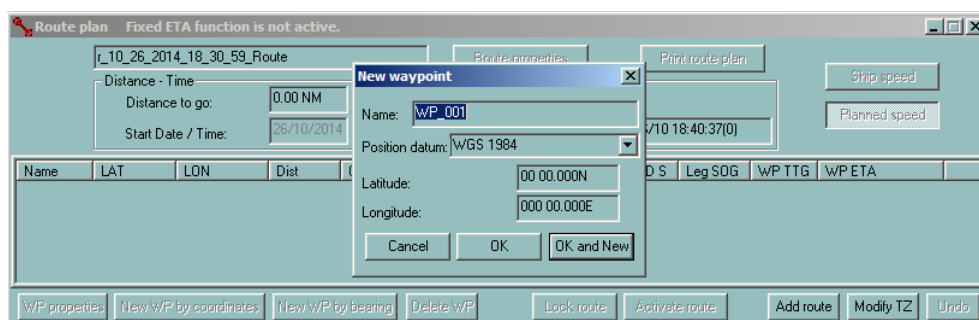
The **Route properties** dialog contains general information about the route and some options for alarm settings, turning radius, default SOG and type of passage plan.

Several planned routes can be loaded, edited and displayed at the same time but only one route can be activated and used to monitor the vessel's position.

The active route is displayed on the chart by as pecked red line.

Creating route using keyboard

1. Select the icon **Route plan** in the toolbar.
2. Enter first waypoint position in the dialog box.
3. Click the **OK and New** button and enter the second and subsequent waypoint positions.
4. Click the **OK** button to complete the route.
5. Change the name of the route in the **Route plan** dialog box.



→ **Note:** If only one waypoint is entered, the route is cancelled.

ECDIS accepts the delimiter **space**, period (.) or comma (,) in the inputs.

The following strings for the latitude are compliant: 12 12.23N or 12 12 23N or 12,12,13N or 12,12 13n.

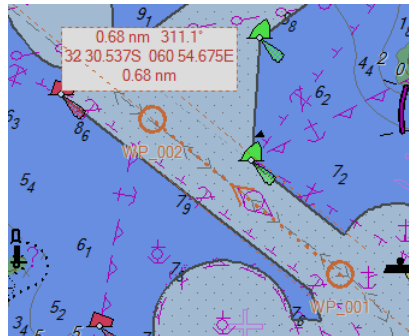
Creating route using mouse

A route can be created graphically using the **New route** tool on the toolbar or directly by keyboard entry of the waypoint coordinates in the Route plan window.



Create a route graphically

1. Click the **New route** tool on the toolbar and then click on the chart at the point where the route should begin. A waypoint (WP 001) indicated by an orange circle is placed at this point.



2. Double-click to set the end point of the route. The **Route name** dialog appears.

Route name

Please enter a name for the new route

r_05_12_2016_19_43_03_Route

Please enter a destination for the new route

Unknown

OK

3. Type the route name and destination (or leave it as is) and click **OK**. The new route is added to the list and can be unload, download, edited, etc. at any moment.

Displayed information

1. Click on the chart at the first turning point along the route. A waypoint (WP 002) is placed at this point.
2. To set the information that should be displayed for the route, right-click the route and open the Display tab

Route

General Display Information

☐ Display waypoint name

☐ Display turning radius

☐ Display course/distance

Rename the waypoints

3. Then tick on the necessary parameters to display.



The screen covers a limited part of the chart. When a new waypoint has to be plotted outside of the screen area in view, ECDIS gives the user the possibility to scroll and zoom without deactivating the New route tool:

- With ENC charts, right-click on the chart to select another scale from the drop-down menu. Move the cursor outside of the chart area to scroll the chart in that direction.
- With raster charts, right-click on the chart to load another chart located under the cursor. Move the cursor outside the chart area or click outside of the chart borders to load another chart located under the click.

To zoom and scroll the chart during waypoint plotting, it is easier to use the short keys **F1** and **F2** to zoom in and out and the keyboard arrows to move the chart.

New waypoint and local time

ECDIS automatically calculates time zone for each waypoint. The time zone for a selected waypoint can be changed in the Waypoint properties dialog (see "*Waypoint properties*" on page 113).

Download from GPS

A route can be downloaded from a GPS. The downloading process is controlled in the **Sensor monitor** application and could be performed from the Sensor monitor as well as from the ECDIS route menu.

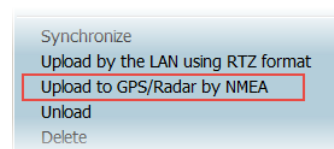
Different types of routes can be downloaded from the GPS:

- A complete route
- A working route that has an active waypoint as the start waypoint

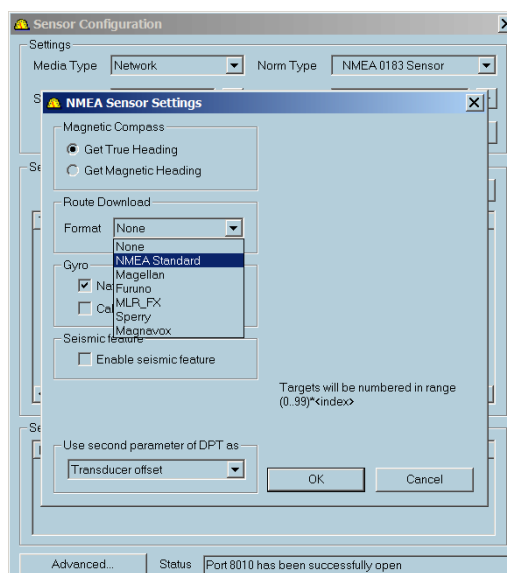
The downloaded routes are automatically stored in the ECDIS route database with a default name:

- When a working route is downloaded, the route is loaded automatically in ECDIS.
- When a complete route is downloaded into the ECDIS routes database it is stored in the current route folder. The route should be given a name and then stored/used accordingly.

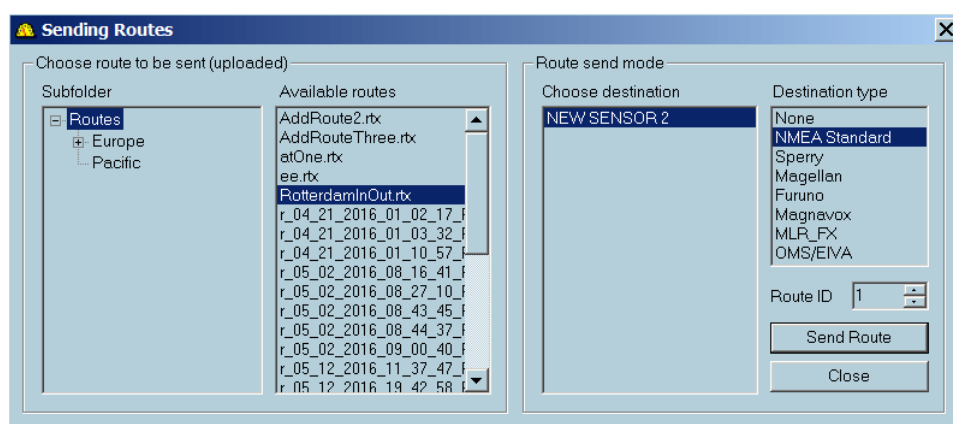
To use the route menu, right-click on the route to be uploaded and select **Upload to GPS/Radar by NMEA** from the list.



You can also open to the **Sensor Configuration** dialog and set the route download format as **NMEA Standard**.



To send a route, select the Routes menu in the **Sensor monitor** toolbar and click the **Send route**.



Modifying a route

A route may be modified in several ways, but cannot be modified whilst **locked** or **active**.

Move a waypoint

- To move a waypoint on the chart, locate the cursor over the waypoint, click and hold and then drag the waypoint to the new position.
- To move a waypoint via the keyboard, see *"Waypoint properties"* on page 113 or *"Route plan overview"* on page 95.

→ **Note:** In case of a mistake, it is possible to go back a step. Right-click on the route and select the menu item **Undo**. The waypoint is put back at the original position.

Move a selection

- To move a selection of waypoints, locate the cursor on one of the selected waypoints, click and hold and then drag the selection to the new position.

Insert a waypoint

- Right-click on the route leg where the new waypoint is expected.
- Select Insert new mark on the pop-up menu.

To insert a waypoint via the keyboard, see *"Route plan overview"* on page 95.

Append a waypoint

- Locate the cursor on the last leg. Right-click and select **Append new waypoint** from the drop-down menu. A new waypoint will be appended to the end of the route. Move the

cursor to the desired position. The new segment will display the appropriate length and heading.

- To stop adding new waypoints double-click on the last waypoint entered.

Delete a waypoint

- Locate the cursor on a waypoint that is to be deleted, right-click and select the menu item **Delete**.
- Alternatively select the waypoint by clicking once on it and press the **Delete** key.
- To delete a waypoint via the keyboard, see "*Route plan overview*" on page 95.

→ **Note:** **Undo** can be used to recover a route.

Split a route

- Locate the cursor on a leg, right-click and select **Split** on the pop-up menu. The leg disappears and two independent routes are created. Note that the two new routes are given different names.

Reverse a route

- Locate the cursor on any route leg, right-click and select **Reverse** in the pop-up menu.
- The direction of the route will now be reversed and an arrow displayed on each leg shows the direction of the route.

→ **Note:** The Reverse function also renumbers the waypoints.

Lock/Unlock a route

- Locate the cursor on a route leg, right-click and select **Lock** on the pop-up menu.
- Locking and Unlocking the route is also possible in the "*Route plan overview*" on page 95 and in "*Route properties*" on page 93.

The route will now be protected from unauthorized alterations.

→ **Note:** Keyboard modifications in the Route plan window are also impossible when the route is locked.

Undo

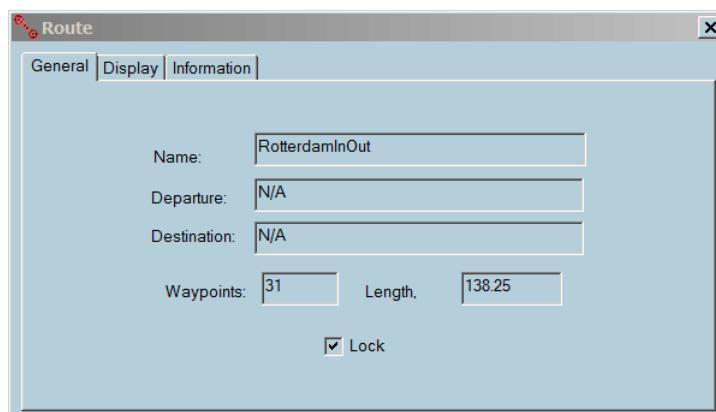
- **Undo** function is applicable only for route modification. All modifications made to a route can be undone except for the function **Split the route**. Press several times to undo several modifications made to the route.
- Access **Undo** by right-clicking on the route and selecting the **Undo** from the pop-up menu.

→ **Note:** When the function **Undo** is activated several times the modifications made to the selected route will be cancelled one by one.

Route properties

For route properties, locate the cursor on any leg of the route, right-click and select **Properties** from the pop-up menu. Alternatively, move the mouse on top of the route and press F4 several times to access the route **Properties** dialog.

General tab



The screenshot shows a window titled "Route" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. Inside the window, there are three tabs: "General", "Display", and "Information". The "General" tab is selected. The dialog contains the following fields and controls:

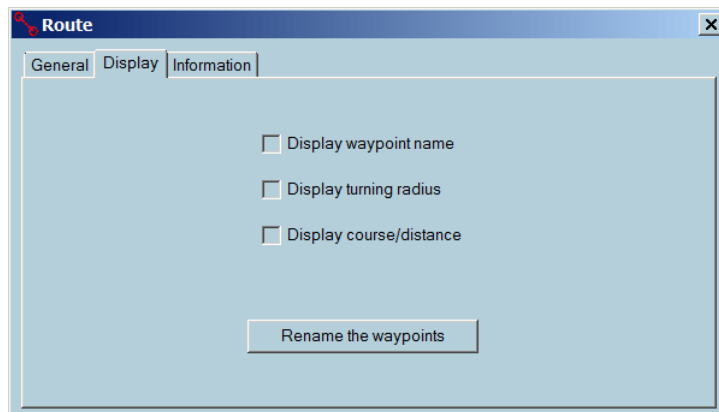
- Name:** A text box containing "RotterdamInOut".
- Departure:** A text box containing "N/A".
- Destination:** A text box containing "N/A".
- Waypoints:** A text box containing "31".
- Length:** A text box containing "138.25".
- Lock:** A checkbox that is checked, with the label "Lock" next to it.

- **Name:** name of the route that can be edited
- **Departure:** name of the departure port
- **Arrival:** name of the arrival port
- **Waypoints** number of waypoints
- **Length** the overall length of the route
- **Lock** toggle to lock or unlock the route. Locking the route will protect it from unauthorized editing.

→ **Note:** Entering the port names is important, as this information will be transferred to the AIS for use as part of the static data broadcast by VHF.

Display tab

The tab contains settings of the information displayed on the chart.



- **Display waypoint name** Toggle on/off to display the waypoint name.
- **Display turning radius** Toggle on/off to display the turning radius along with the WP symbol.
- **Display range/bearing** Toggle on/off to display the range and bearing on the segments.

→ **Note:** In the case of the GC leg, several courses are provided at intervals along the leg to allow the Navigator to closely follow the GC leg.

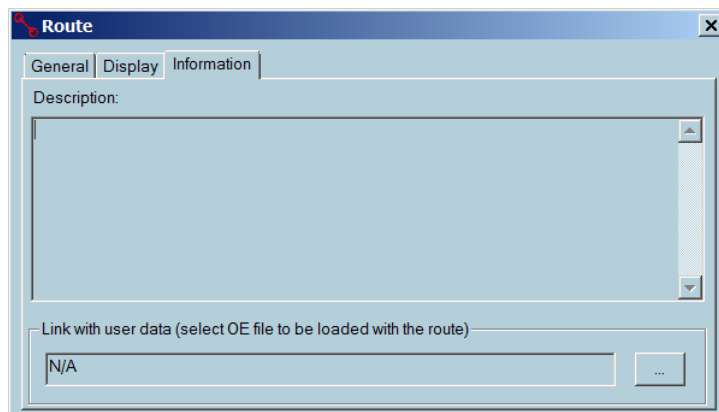
Turning radius

To activate the display, toggle on the **Display turning radius** checkbox in the Display tab. It is also possible to change the turning radius of a waypoint by clicking **+** and **-** short keys when the mouse cursor is on top of the waypoint.

Rename the waypoints

Renumbers the waypoints after a waypoint has been added to or deleted from the route. The **Information** tab allows entering additional information about the route.

Information tab



Link with OE file

Create a file with Object editor tools including points, line, areas, or text. Link the file with the current route.

Loading a route

When the route is loaded and activated the OE file linked with the route is automatically displayed.

When the OE file is loaded with the route, all objects of the file are defined as user alerts. For example, if the ship enters an area, defined in the OE file loaded with the route, an entering zone alarm is triggered.

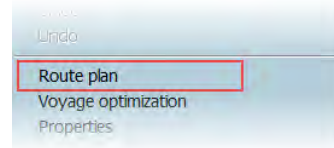
See more details in *"Properties of OE objects"* on page 156.

Unloading the route

The OE file is automatically unloaded when the route is unloaded.

Route plan overview

Right-click on the route leg and select **Route plan** from the list.



Alternatively, press **F6** to get the route plan. If several routes are loaded, press **F6** several times until the **Route plan** dialog for the selected route is displayed.

The 'Route plan' dialog box displays the following information:
- Title bar: Route plan Fixed ETA function is not active.
- Fields: RouteNorge, Distance to go: 5.80 NM, Start Date / Time: 28/10/2014 09:37:40(-01), TTG: 00:31:35, ETA: 28/10 09:09:15(0).
- Buttons: Route properties, Print route plan, Ship speed, Planned speed.
- Table of waypoints:

Name	LAT	LON	Dist	Crs	Leg	Radius	ROT	XTD P	XTD S	Leg SOG	WP TTG	WP ETA
Bergen	60 23.180N	005 18.405E	0.65 NM	322.00	RL	N/A	N/A	185 m	185 m	11.00 kn	N/A	N/A
WP_002_3	60 23.690N	005 17.600E	1.63 NM	284.64	RL	0.20 NM	53.1°/min	185 m	185 m	11.00 kn	00:03:32	28/10 08:41:12(0)
Karven	60 24.100N	005 14.430E	1.54 NM	242.11	RL	0.20 NM	53.1°/min	185 m	185 m	11.00 kn	00:08:51	28/10 08:50:03(0)
Hjelteskjeret	60 23.380N	005 11.680E	1.14 NM	230.90	RL	0.20 NM	53.1°/min	185 m	185 m	11.00 kn	00:08:25	28/10 08:58:28(0)
Strongi	60 22.660N	005 09.890E	0.83 NM	175.56	RL	0.20 NM	53.1°/min	185 m	185 m	11.00 kn	00:06:14	28/10 09:04:42(0)

- Bottom buttons: WP properties, New WP by coordinates, New WP by bearing, Delete WP, Unlock route, Activate route, Add route, Modify TZ, Undo.

The **Route plan** dialog box displays information concerning the waypoints, the legs, and the route. You can edit waypoints or route information, simulate the voyage or print a document.

Double-clicking on a waypoint name centers the chart on the selected waypoint. Right-clicking on the waypoint name allows you to move the selected waypoint in the list or to set the waypoint as the pilot waypoint. You may change the waypoint's position, type of leg, XTD Port, XTD Starboard, or the ROT.

Other values like the distance to go, TTG, range and bearing are calculated and therefore not allowed to modify.

There are three ways to modify values:

- Clicking the **Waypoint properties** button to access editing dialog.
- Clicking on a value in the list and edit this value in the dialog.
- Clicking the column title of an editable value to change all values like the SOG, turning radius, XTD in the column at the same time.

→ **Note:** When the route is locked the buttons are disabled and fields cannot be edited. Unlock the route to make the components editable.

→ **Note:** Modifications carried out in the route plan dialog box are immediately displayed on the chart and the changes can be graphically checked

To select multiple waypoints, press and hold the **Ctrl** key and click on the desired waypoint. When several waypoints are selected, the following values can be modified for all selected points in one action:

- Radius
- ROT
- XTD
- SOG



Change type of leg

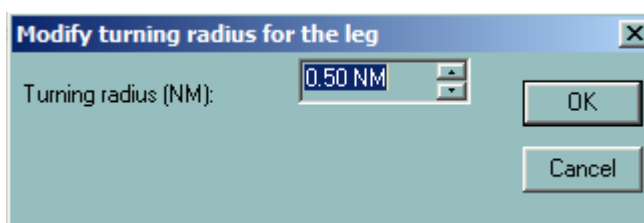
A leg is defined by two waypoints and the leg type is stored in the properties of the first waypoint.

Click on the leg type value RL (Rhumb Line) to change to GC (Great Circle) and vice versa.

Set a new turning radius

Click on the Turning Radius for the chosen leg and enter the new value in the pop-up dialog box

The Turning Radius value may also be entered in the Waypoint Properties dialog.



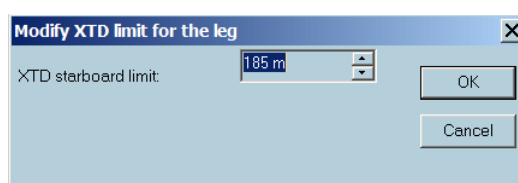
→ **Note:** When the Turning radius is changed, the ROT is also changed according to the selected speed and vice versa.

→ **Note:** To change the turning radius value for all legs, click in the title Radius.

Set XTD

Use the same procedure as for **Set new turning radius**.

By default, the XTD value is entered in the Option dialog panel Route.



→ **Note:** Click in the title XTD to modify XTD for all legs.

Set SOG

Use the same procedure as for Set new turning radius.

By default the SOG value is entered in the Route Properties dialog box.

→ **Note:** Click the title SOG to modify SOG for all legs.

Set ETA

Click on the ETA value of the leg and enter a new ETA. Then the leg SOG will be re-calculated.

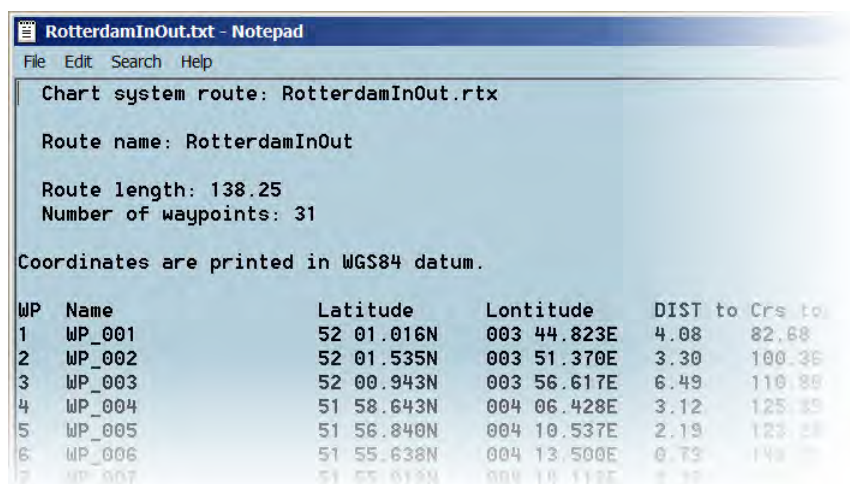
→ **Note:** Click on the title ETA to enter a new ETA for the last waypoint. In this case the SOG will be recalculated and constant for all legs.

Print

1. Click the **Print route plan** button

2. The route plan is transferred to the text file similar below:

Print route plan

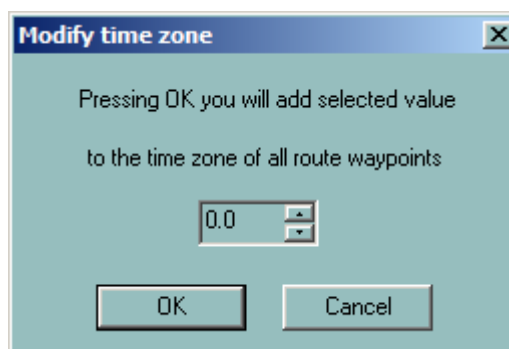
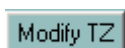


It is possible to modify the text file before printing.

→ **Note:** The text file can be stored in a local or shared drive/folders for future reference.

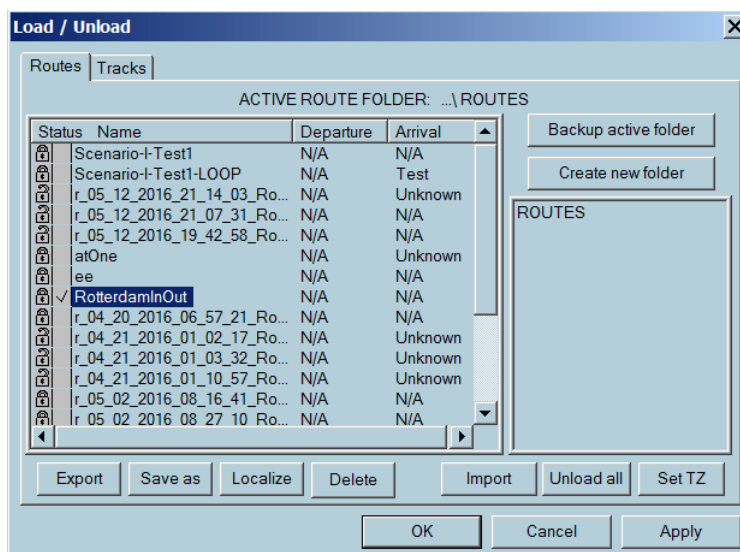
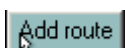
Modify Time Zone

1. To modify the time zone to the selected waypoint, click the **Modify TZ** button
2. Set the value and click the **OK** button to save.



Add a route

1. Click the **Add route** button
2. Select the route and click **OK**.



The selected route will be added to the current route.

→ **Note:** It is not possible to select multiple routes in this operation.

Set Date/Time

To change the date and time, adjust by typing in the correct date and time in the correct input field.

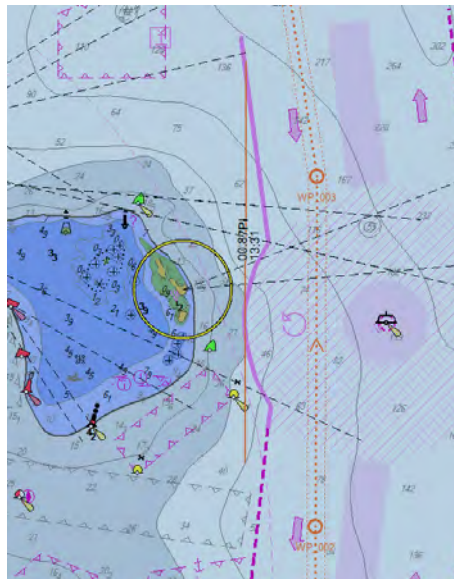
Start Date / Time:	28/10/2014	10:52:10(-01)
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Parallel index

To create a route parallel index, right-click on the route and select the **Parallel index** from the list.

It's possible to draw line parallel to the selected route leg. Distance from the leg (in NM) and time of creation are clearly displayed in the label of the line. This line is part of navigational editor and therefore it is possible to edit the change the position and length at any time.

Parallel index is recorded in the logbook.

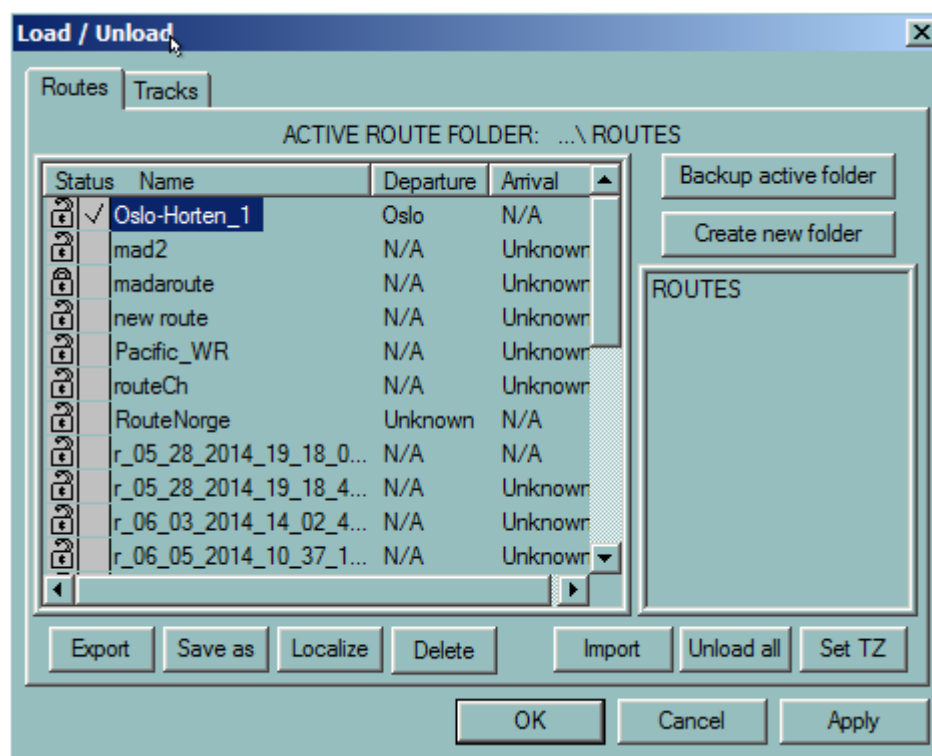


Load, unload, and delete route functions

To load/unload routes or tracks click on the **Load/Unload objects** button in the toolbar.

Click on the **Routes** tab to display the list of routes.





The list of route names may be sorted in ascending or descending order by clicking on the column headings.

Use the **Create new folder** button to save the routes in a specified folder.

Use the **Backup active folder** button to save a back-up data of your routes into a specified backup location.

You load a route by ticking on the checkbox beside the route name and clicking the **OK** or **Apply** button.

You unload the route by ticking off the checkbox beside the route name and clicking the **OK** or **Apply** button. Select the **Unload All** button to unload all routes from the chart.

Use the **Save as** button to save the selected route into a different filename or location.

Use the **Export** button to download the selected route.

Use the **Import** button to load an existing route from a different folder location.

→ **Note:** Error messages with the reason appear if importing a route fails.

Use the **Delete** button to remove the selected route from the list.

Use the **Localize** button to center the chart on the selected route.

You lock/unlock the selected route by clicking on/off the **Padlock** icon beside the route name.

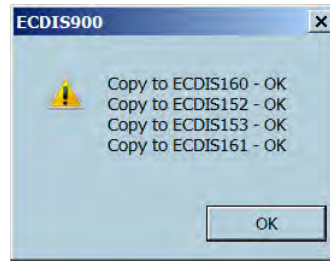
→ **Note:** Locked routes cannot be deleted.

Synchronize a route between workstations

To synchronize an ECDIS workstation with another station, right-click on the route and select **Synchronize** from the list.



A dialog with the list of available ECDIS workstations, is displayed:



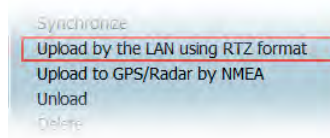
Click the **OK** button.

→ **Note:** Route plans can be downloaded from any workstations once synchronized.

Upload routes over the LAN

The .rtz format is used for import and export of routes. The route can be stored on a local or shared drive/folders.

To upload the selected route over the LAN, right-click on the route and select the **Upload by the LAN using RTZ format** from the list.



The route is broadcast to all stations of the system.

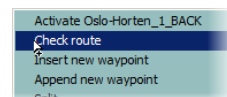
→ **Note:** The route reception must be confirmed on each ECDIS workstation.

Check a route

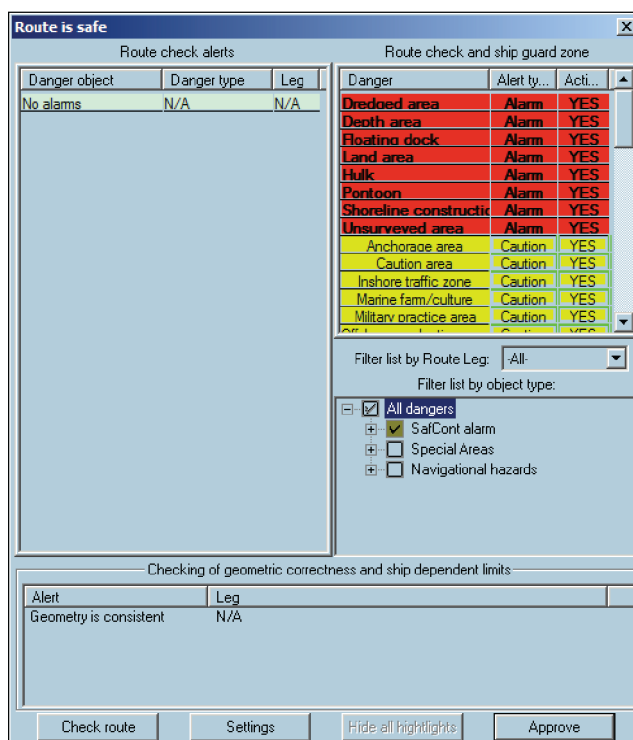
Use the **Check route** function to check the routes against dangers of the chart and against user defined objects when vector charts are in use.

When raster charts are used, only user defined objects are being checked.

To activate the **Check route** function, locate the cursor on a route leg, right-click it and select **Check route** from the list.



The function checks the route against all charted dangers that may be present along the route legs. It scans the vector database, including manually updated objects and user data objects loaded on the chart, and calculates the dangers inside the safety passage defined by the XTD values and according to the settings: safety contour and height. It also checks ship guard zone dangers. A list of dangers is then displayed in the window.



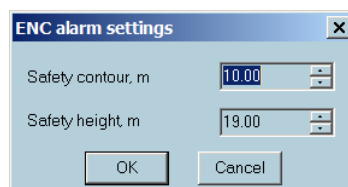
The top right frame contains a list of route check and ship guard zone alerts. The status of alarm alerts cannot be changed. The status for warning and caution alerts can be changed by single-clicking the appropriate Active cell in the list.

The second frame on the right side of the window contains the entire list of danger object types and the user can filter the **Special Areas** and **Navigational hazards** alerts. The **Safety contour alarms** cannot be filtered out.

Routes can be checked leg by leg. You can select the leg for checking in the **Filter list by route leg** drop-down list.

The bottom frame contains results of the route geometry checking.

To change the Guard zone settings, click the **Settings** button.



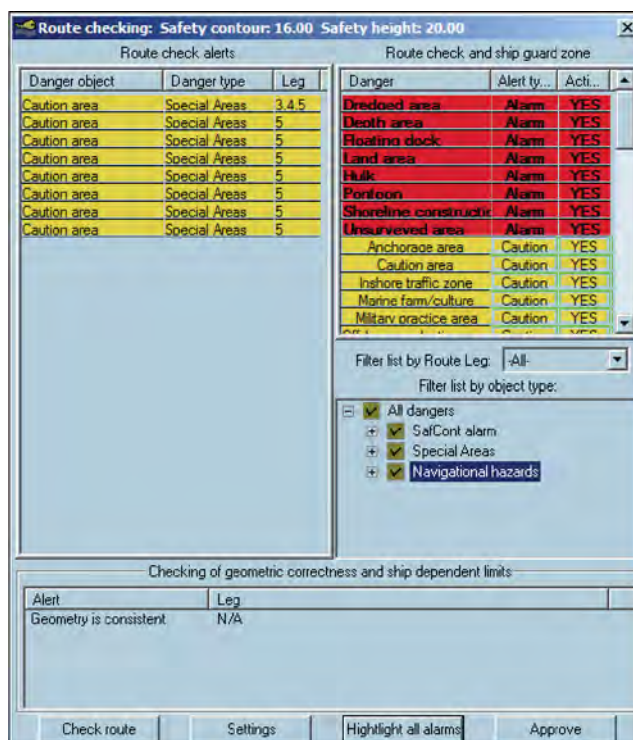
Adjust the settings in the Guard zone window as required.

In case the checking result contains one or more danger objects, the Guard zone settings are displayed in the caption of the window and the objects are listed in the left frame.

An alarm is red highlighted. Warnings and Cautions are yellow highlighted.

→ **Note:** Selected objects from the **Filter list** are considered as warnings.

Hover the cursor over the item to display Additional information about the danger in the tooltip.



If Special areas is not ticked on, the caution alert is generated in the alert list and displayed on the Alert panel. Otherwise, the Special area alert is considered as a warning.

The Navigational hazards are considered as a caution.

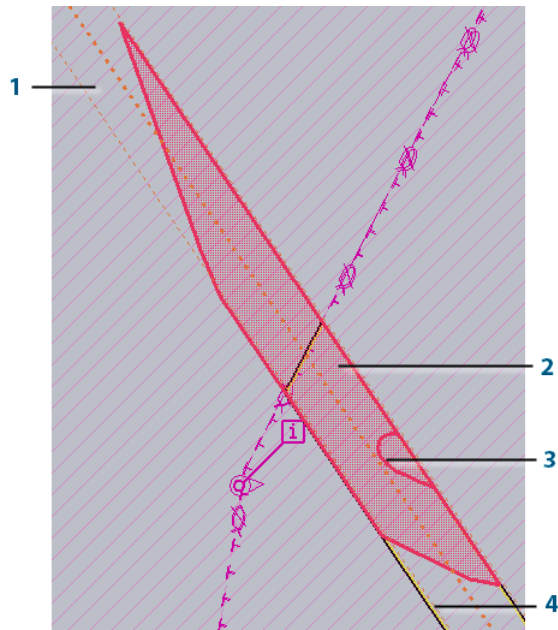
- **Note:** To approve danger, click on the danger in the list. The approved **alarm** changes the highlight color to green, an approved **warning** changes the color to gray. Clicking on an item makes the chart centered on the selected danger. An intersection of danger with the route safety corridor is highlighted too.
- **Note:** It is possible to approve the route without approving displayed dangers. The warning message is displayed in this case.

Danger object	Danger type	Leg	
Restricted area	Special Areas	1,2,30	
Depth area	SafCont alarm	3	
Restricted area	Special Areas	3	
Depth area	SafCont alarm	3	
Depth area	SafCont alarm	3	

- **Note:** It is recommended to check all dangers and edit the route before approval.

Danger highlighting

The system highlights dangers when the Check route function is performed. All dangers listed in the Check route dialog are highlighted along the route.

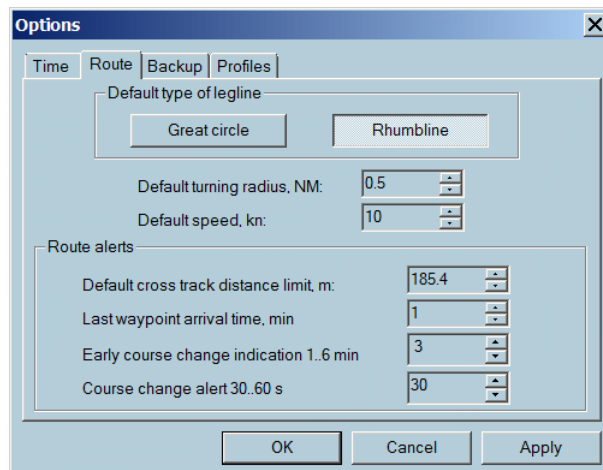


- 1 Route without dangers
- 2 Danger area
- 3 Danger contour
- 4 Warning contour

Route options

The user sets and stores the default values for route and waypoint parameters in the **Route options** dialog box.

To view or make changes to the route parameters, click on the Options icon on the main toolbar and then select the **Route** tab.



- **Default type of legline:** Select either **Great circle** or **Rhumbline**.
- **Turning radius (NM):** default value for route creation.
- **Speed (kn):** default speed value for route creation.

Route alerts:

- **Cross Track error (m):** Toggle up or down to set the appropriate value or input it via the keyboard.
- **Waypoint arrival distance (NM):** Toggle up or down for the appropriate value or input it via the keyboard.

- **Early CC indication (min):** when approaching the active waypoint, an indication is triggered when the ship arrives at between 1 and 6 minutes from the waypoint (at the current speed). The time is set by the user.
- **CC indication(s):** The second indication is given between 30 and 60 seconds before arrival to the active waypoint WOP.

For a complete description of waypoint arrival criteria see *"Waypoint arrival warnings and alarms"* on page 115.

Route status report

You can get status report for ENC charts under the selected route. See *"Charts under the route status report"* on page 71 for details.

Route import and export functions

Route format

A route can be saved in the most common **.txt** format.

When a route is saved as a text file, the following standard format is used:

- Name of the route
- Name of the waypoint:
 - Latitude
 - Longitude
 - Planned speed for the leg
 - Type of the leg (1 Rhumb line, 2 Great circles)

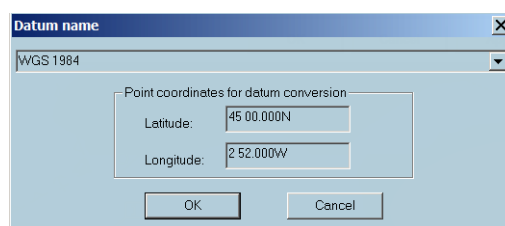
Importing route formats

ECDIS900 can import routes with different route formats:

- XML format (with route file extensions .rtz)
- ECDIS900 format (with route file extensions .rtx)

The system can also import other route formats from the previous ECDIS900 version (with route file extensions .rtu) and other manufacturers' routes like Sperry, MaxSea, Transas, and others.

→ **Note:** Routes are stored in ECDIS using WGS84 datum. When a route is imported, it is important to select the datum that has been used for the route creation so that the ECDIS is able to calculate the exact coordinates of the waypoints. If the datum is not correctly selected, the waypoints are shifted.



New route

Click on the **New Route** icon to create a new route and to plot waypoints on the chart with the mouse.



The waypoints can be plotted on the chart with the mouse or entered by keyboard in the route plan window which is activated by clicking the button **Route Plan**.

For a detailed overview of the route management, see *"Routes"* on page 89.

Route plan

Click on the **Active route plan** button to display the Route planning window of the active route.



→ **Note:** If an uploaded route is not active, the route plan is opened in the **Create new route** mode.

Short key

Press the **F6** key to access to the route plan of loaded routes. Press several times to change the selected route.

For a detailed overview of the Route planning window, see "*Route*" on page 89.

Route monitoring

A standard ECDIS installation includes a Monitoring workstation located on the ship's bridge and a Planning station on the chart table.

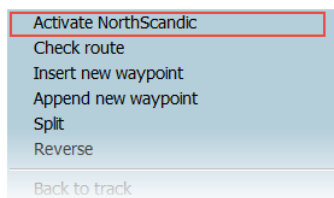
→ **Note:** The ECDIS software can run in either Monitoring mode or in Planning mode. The current mode is displayed in the title bar in the caption of the chart window. The route activation is available in the **Monitoring mode** only.

Activating a route

When activating a route, the user designates it as the route to be navigated. The ECDIS changes the route legs to pecked lines, highlights the next waypoint and switches the monitoring mode on.

To activate a route and switch on the route monitoring function on the Monitoring workstation:

- Load the route to be activated.
- Right-click on one of the legs of the route.
- Select **Activate route_name** from the pop-up menu.



Alternatively, a route can be activated from the Route plan window with the button

Activate route.

→ **Note:** When an OE file is linked with the route, the file is automatically loaded and all alerts of the file are activated.

Display

Only one route can be active at any time. An active route is displayed differently than other routes on the chart inasmuch as the segment path is drawn dotted and the active waypoint flashes making it more prominent on the screen.

Active route and planning station

When a route is activated on the Monitoring station, all Planning stations connected to the LAN receive and display the same active route. Then all ECDIS workstations display the same active route but only the Monitoring workstation can actively handle it.

A new route activation

A new route can be activated even if another route is already active. When the new route is activated the previous active route will be deactivated.

Active route and Planning station

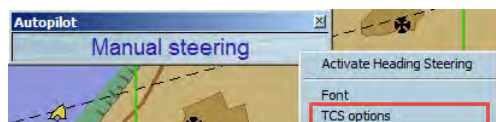
When a route is activated on the Monitoring station, all Planning stations connected to the LAN receive and display the same active route.

Route geometry checking

→ **Note:** To be activated, the route has to be geometrically correct.

The geometrically correct route has leg length that is sufficient to make two neighbor turns with no intersections. Turn radius value is defined in the Route tab of the Options dialog. Turns are displayed for all Waypoints, except for the first and the last ones.

Acceptable range for the turning radius can be modified in **TCS options** dialog. To open the dialog, right-click on the Autopilot console and select TCS options. Set Maximum radius and Minimum radius values for a turning radius.



Rate of Turn (ROT) can also be changed manually in Route planning. See *"Set a new turning radius"* on page 96 for details.

Route checking in ENC chart mode

When activated, the route is automatically checked against the dangers of the ENC database, including manually updated objects and user defined dangers. If any leg is dangerous, the dangers are listed in the Route checking window and highlighted on the chart.

Route monitoring

When a route is activated, route monitoring is automatically switched on. The ECDIS900 continuously calculates and displays data about the vessel's approach to the active waypoint (see *"Active waypoint information"* on page 111), ETA to the selected waypoint (see *"Waypoint ETA information"* on page 114), and, on request, the calculated speed to sail to reach a particular waypoint at the fixed ETA (see *"Fixed ETA function"* on page 114).

The ECDIS triggers alerts for waypoint arrival or XTD out of limits (see *"Alerts"* on page 106).

→ **Note:** The Wheel over Point (WOP) is calculated according to the turning radius value entered by the navigator. It is extremely important to enter this value during route planning.

To select an active waypoint manually, right-click on the chosen waypoint on the chart or select the waypoint in the route monitoring plan.

Alerts

When the XTD or Waypoint arrival alerts are active the ECDIS900 will trigger an alert each time the alert parameters are met. A route alert can be classified as alarm or as indication. The type depends on user settings.

Setting route alerts parameters

- In the ship properties dialog under the **Alarms** tab tick on the boxes to activate the XTD alarm (see *"Configuring alerts"* on page 39).
- In the waypoint properties dialog set the appropriate XTD parameters (see *"Waypoint properties"* on page 113).
- In the Route tab of the Options dialog, the waypoint arrival indication and distance values are preset (see *"Route options"* on page 103).

Route monitoring plan

When the active route is locked it cannot be edited. You can only change the planned speed for the remaining legs.

The active waypoint line is displayed in red, the selected waypoint line in blue.

To modify the route it is necessary to deactivate the route and then unlock it before editing.

Route plan

Fixed ETA 12/05/16 17:53:17(+05) is set for WP_009. Speed - 11.06 kn

UnitedRoute

Route properties

Distance - Time

Distance to go: 1.43 NM

Start Date / Time: 12/05/2016 22:43:40(0)

TTG: 00:02:34

ETA: 00:00:00

Name	LAT	LON	DIST	CRS	Leg	Radius	ROT	XTD P.	XTD M.	XTD S.
WP_005	42 19.944N	070 59.428W	N/A	N/A	RL	1.00 NM	9.5°/min	185 m	185 m	185 m
WP_006	42 19.824N	070 59.138W	N/A	N/A	RL	0.50 NM	19.1°/min	185 m	185 m	185 m
WP_007	42 19.802N	070 58.906W	N/A	N/A	RL	0.50 NM	19.1°/min	185 m	185 m	185 m
WP_008	42 19.730N	070 58.550W	N/A	N/A	RL	0.50 NM	19.1°/min	185 m	185 m	185 m
WP_008	42 19.616N	070 58.195W	0.11 NM	219.6	RL	0.50 NM	19.1°/min	185 m	185 m	185 m
WP_009	42 19.466N	070 58.484W	0.43 NM	235.1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

WP properties

New WP by coordinates

New WP by bearing

Delete WP

Upload route

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Distance to go

The **Distance to go** in the console is measured from the ship to the last waypoint.

ETA

The ETA shown in the console area and in the Route plan dialog box is calculated using either the current (actual) Ship speed for the remaining distance or the Ship speed for the current leg and the Planned speed (inserted by the user in the Leg SOG column) for the remaining legs.

To insert the planned speed for each remaining leg, left-click on the relevant Leg SOG cell and set the SOG value.

When the **Ship speed** is toggled on in the Route plan dialog box, the ETA calculation is made using the ship speed to the final waypoint.

When the button is toggled to **Planned speed**, the ETA calculation is made using the ship speed for the current leg and the planned speed value for each remaining legs.

→ **Note:** In the picture above, planned speed values are used to calculate ETA.

Waypoint ETA

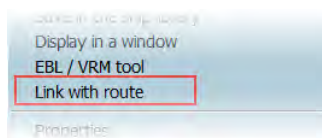
The console panel **WP ETA** displays the ETA at the selected waypoint.

- Select the appropriate waypoint number.
- Toggle on Planned speed or Ship speed for the calculation of ETA.

Target linked to a route

One AIS target can be linked to a route.

1. Right-click on the target to open AIS target menu.
2. Choose the option **Link with route**.



3. Select the route. A yellow square points out the target and the route is displayed in green.



Target is linked to the route. The route plan can be displayed as it is for the own ship. The same values are given, Bearing, Range.... TTG and ETA are indicated for planned speed.

The route is unlinked by **Deactivate linked route** of the Target menu or when target arrives to the last waypoint.

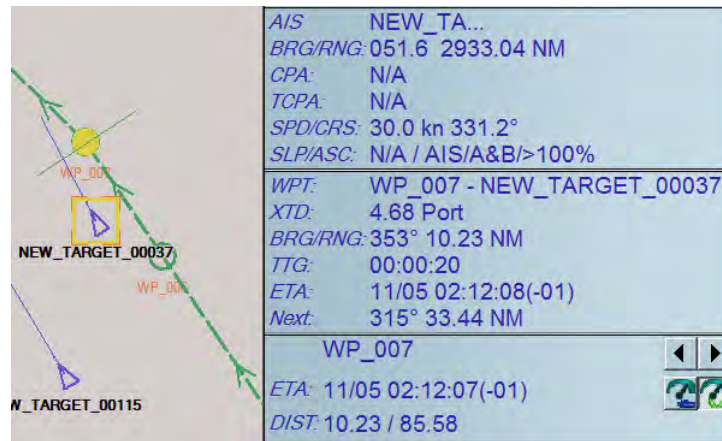
→ **Note:** Route plan cannot be used as activated route for Own ship.

3 windows are dedicated to target route information.

Target consoles

Three consoles display target data.

- Target (when target selected)
- Target waypoint
- Target waypoint ETA (when selected target linked to a route)



Target

(VTC STAR selected)

Target-Waypoint

(Activated WP_002)

Target-Waypoint ETA

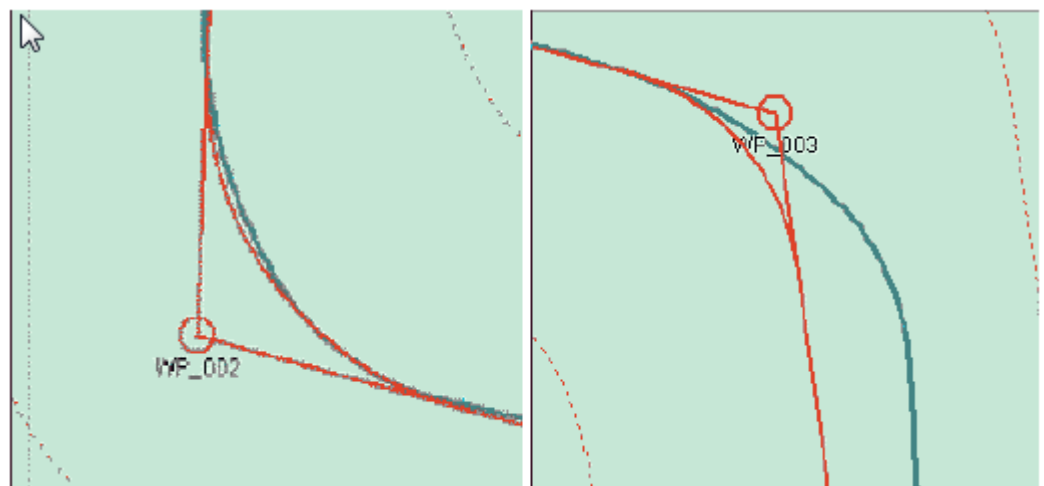
(Selected WP_003)

Route planning and turning radius

The turning radius of a ship depends on design, loading and environmental characteristics. The user must carefully select the appropriate turning radius taking these parameters into account.

The ECDIS can be linked to the ship's autopilot to automatically alter course at each waypoint. The amount of helm ordered by the ECDIS900 will vary according to turning parameters set in the system.

The helm ordered and rate of turn value NEVER exceed the limits defined by the user. To complete a prescribed turn at a waypoint it is essential for the turning radius to be set into the system accurately.

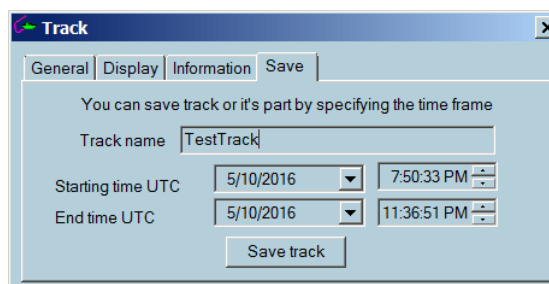


- **Note:** The picture on the left shows that the turning radius is good and ECDIS900 is able to follow the planned route during the turn.
- **Note:** The picture on the right shows that the turning Radius is not correct and ECDIS900 is not able to follow the planned route.

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Saving tracks

To save a selected track, right-click on the track and select the **Properties** item from the list. Select the **Save** tab and enter the desired track name, date and time.



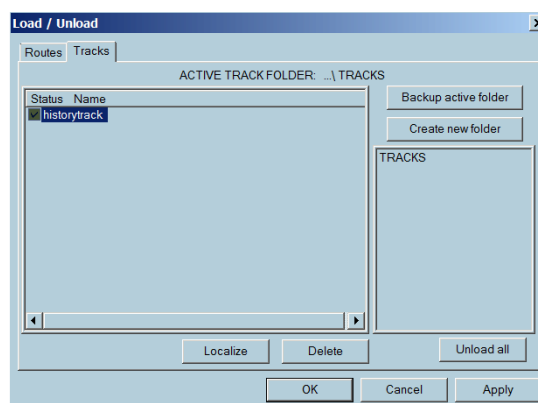
Click the **Save track** button to store the track in the database.

→ **Note:** The saved track can be downloaded anytime for reuse.

Load, unload and delete tracks

To load/unload routes or tracks, click the **Load/Unload objects** icon.

The list of tracks may be sorted in ascending or descending order according to the name or date.



Use the **Create new folders** button to arrange and group tracks in specific folders. A track can be copied from one folder to another.

Loading a track

To load a track, select the track name, tick on the check box and the **Apply** button.

To center the selected track on the chart, select the track name and click the **Localize** button.

→ **Note:** To load multiple tracks, tick on multiple checkboxes of the desired tracks and click the **OK** or **Apply** buttons.

Unloading tracks

To unload a track(s), select one or more tracks from the list displayed by either clicking on the name or in the check box and then click either **OK** or **Apply**.

→ **Note:** Unloading can also be performed by clicking right on the actual track line and clicking Unload in the pop-up menu.

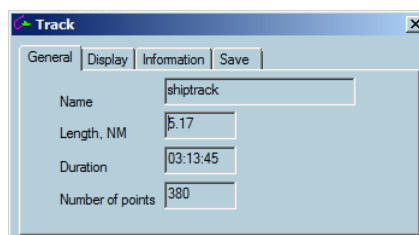
Deleting tracks

To delete one or more tracks from the database, select the track name and click the **Delete** button.

→ **Note:** Unloading the current track is not possible. The current track must first be disabled from track recording before it can be unloaded.

Modifying track properties

To modify the track properties, right-click the track and select **Properties** from the list. A dialog similar to the one below is displayed:



Modify the track name, the date and time the track was recorded and the number of points recorded along the track.

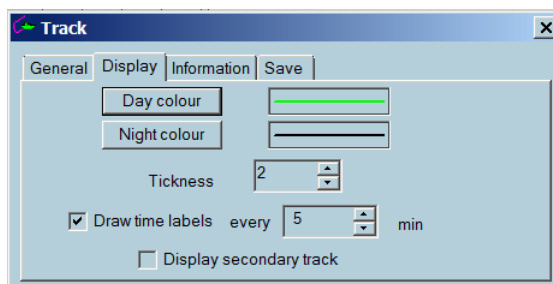
Duration is a time used to sail the length of the track.

Adjusting the track display colour

Use the **Day colour** or **Night colour** buttons to change the day/night track display colors.

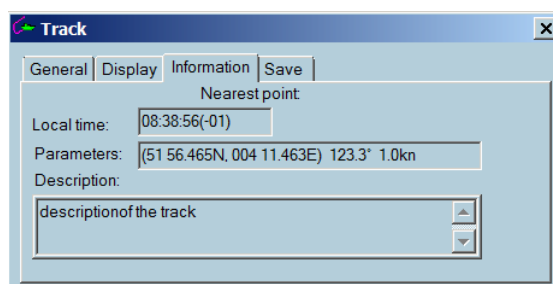
You adjust the thickness of the track line by adding numbers in the **Thickness** field.

Tick on the **Draw time labels** to display time markers along the track. The markers are automatically adjusted according to the chart scale.



You can add a detailed description of the track in the **Information** tab.

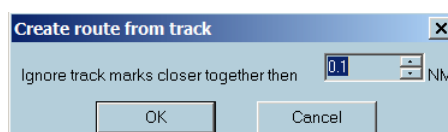
The **Information** tab also displays the ship's speed and course at the recorded point of the track which is the closest one from the clicked point.



Creating routes from tracks

The ECDIS900 enables mariners to create a route from any track.

1. Select the track from which a route is to be created and select **Create route from track** from the pop-up menu.
2. Enter the recommended number, similar to the example below, to minimize the number of waypoints and to have a minimum distance between two waypoints:



3. Click the **OK** button to save the changes.

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Waypoints

Active waypoint information

Active waypoint information are displayed in the **Route monitoring** console.
To display the Route monitoring dialog, refer to "*Console Options*" on page 27.



- **WPT:** The active waypoint name
- **XTD:** Cross Track Distance
- **BRG/RNG:** Bearing/Range to the active waypoint
- **TTG:** Time To Go to the active waypoint
- **ETA:** Estimated Time of Arrival
- **Next:** B/R for the next leg

Bearing to the active waypoint on a Great circle route leg

The displayed value of bearing to the active waypoint is changed in line with the position of the vessel. The ECDIS900 calculation includes following a great circle to the active waypoint.

Selecting waypoints

- Click once on a waypoint to select it. The waypoint is then highlighted.
- To add a waypoint to a selection click on the waypoint with the **Ctrl** key held down.
- To de-select a waypoint from a selection, click the selected waypoint with the **Ctrl** key held down.
- To add a complete route to a selection, click on one waypoint of the route with the **Ctrl** and **Shift** keys held down.
- Click once on a waypoint to select it. With Shift key down click on another waypoint: all waypoints of the located between the 2 clicks are selected.
- Using together with **Ctrl** the selection with the **Shift** key allows building complex selection of waypoint from existing routes.

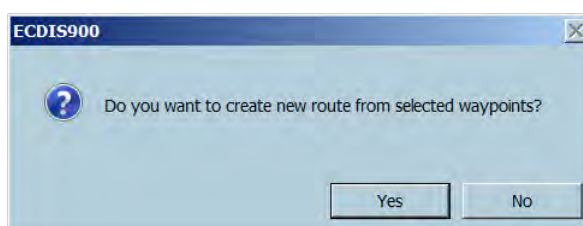
Click the **Delete** key to delete a selection. Move a selection as described in the "*Modifying a route*" on page 92 or create a new route from the selection.

Selecting waypoints

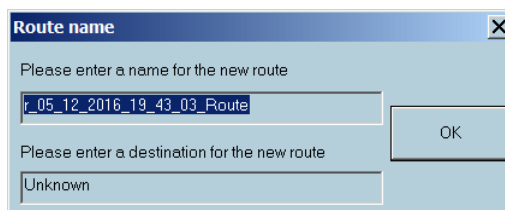
You can create route from a set of selected waypoints. A new route may be created from one route as well as from several routes.

Use the **New route** button from the toolbar.

1. Load one or several routes
2. Select waypoints
3. Click the **New route** button and click **Yes** to create a new route.

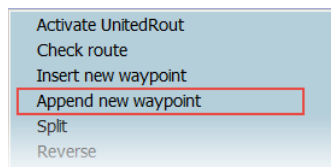


4. Enter a name for the new route and click **OK**. The newly created route is displayed and selected in the chart area.



A dialog box titled "Route name" with a close button (X). It contains two text input fields. The first field is labeled "Please enter a name for the new route" and contains the text "r_05_12_2016_19_43_03_Route". The second field is labeled "Please enter a destination for the new route" and contains the text "Unknown". An "OK" button is located to the right of the second field.

5. To continue plotting waypoints, right-click on the route and activate the **Append new waypoint** menu item.



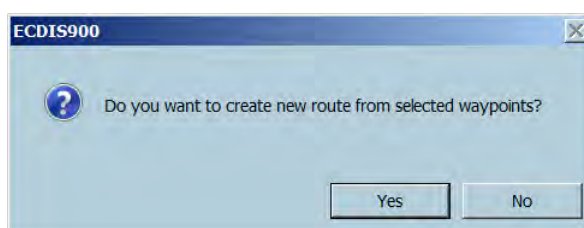
Create a route using several routes

You can create a new route using waypoints of several routes.

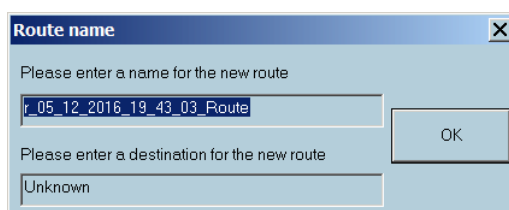
1. Load or create several routes.
2. Select waypoints on the routes. Hold **Ctrl** when selecting waypoints and **Ctrl** and **Shift** if you want to select entire route.



3. Click the **New route** button from the toolbar
4. Confirm, that you create the route

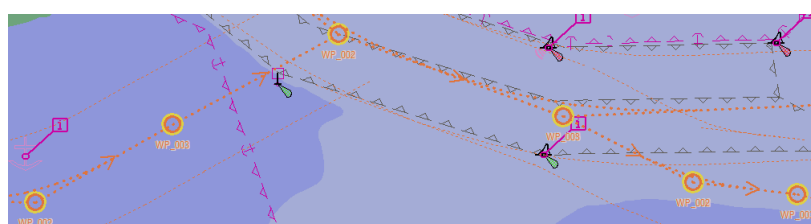


5. Enter the new route name and click OK



A dialog box titled "Route name" with a close button (X). It contains two text input fields. The first field is labeled "Please enter a name for the new route" and contains the text "r_05_12_2016_19_43_03_Route". The second field is labeled "Please enter a destination for the new route" and contains the text "Unknown". An "OK" button is located to the right of the second field.

The new route is ready with all waypoints selected.



Waypoint properties

Locate the cursor on a waypoint, right-click and select **Properties** from the pop-up menu. Alternatively, move the cursor over the waypoint and press F4 several times to access the waypoint **Properties** dialog.

The properties dialog displays two tabs: **General** and **Information**.

The screenshot shows the 'Waypoint WP_002' dialog box with the 'General' tab selected. The 'Name' field contains 'WP_002'. The 'Latitude' field contains '42 30.720N' and the 'Longitude' field contains '065 40.735W'. The 'Time zone' is set to '4.0'. There are three checkboxes: 'Display name' (checked), 'Display description' (unchecked), and 'Lock' (unchecked). The 'Leg parameters' section includes 'PortXTD limit, m' (185.2), 'Starboard XTD limit, m' (185.2), 'Use turn radius for ROT calculation' (checked), 'Turning radius, NM' (0.5), and 'Rate of turn, deg/min' (19.0985). There are two buttons: 'Rhumbline' and 'Greate circle'. The 'Fixed ETA function parameters' section includes 'Date', 'Time', and a 'Fixed ETA' checkbox.

In the General tab the waypoint's position and relative parameters can be adjusted.

- **Name:** It is possible to edit the value manually.
- **Latitude:** It is possible to edit the value manually.
- **Longitude:** It is possible to edit the value manually.
- **Time Zone:** To set the time zone of the waypoint if different from the system calculated TZ.
- **Display name:** Toggle to display or not display the name on the chart.
- **Display description:** Toggle to display or not display the description on the chart.
- **Lock:** Toggle to lock or unlock the details of the waypoint.

The Information tab contains information of the nearest forecast station and linked files.

Plotting a waypoint outside the screen

Scroll

Scrolling the chart is achieved by moving the mouse outside of the chart area in the direction of the desired scroll or by pressing the arrows key on your keyboard.

Change scale

At any time during the route creation process, it is possible to zoom (in or out) or to change the scale of the chart by right-clicking anywhere on the chart and selecting the desired scale. It is also possible to use the short keys F1 and F2 to zoom in and out.

→ **Note:** The scale menu depends on the type of chart in use.

Load another type of chart

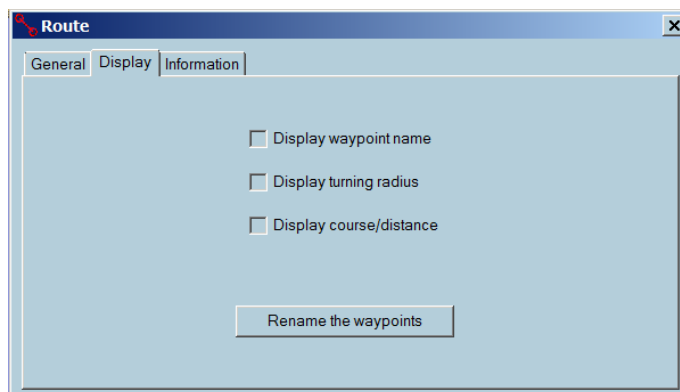
Press **F9** to switch from ARCS to ENC when plotting the route.

Rename waypoints

By default, ECDIS numbers waypoints consecutively. (WP_001, WP_002, etc)

If a new waypoint is inserted between two existing waypoints or a waypoint is deleted, it is useful to renumber the waypoints from WP_001 again.

To renumber the waypoints shown in the route plan dialog box, click the column title **Name**. Alternatively, it is possible to renumber the waypoints in the Route properties dialog box by pushing the button **Rename the waypoints**.



- **Note:** The function **Rename the waypoints** is applicable only to waypoints with numbers which were set by default: WP_001, WP_002 etc. All manually renamed waypoints are ignored by this function. If you want to name waypoints, do it when the route has been approved.

Delete a waypoint

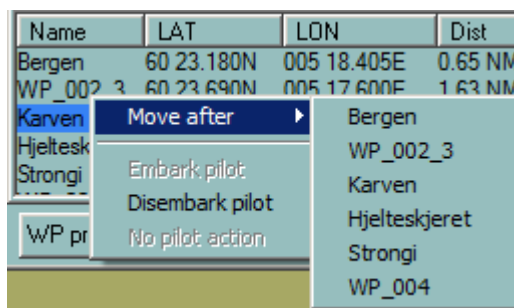
1. Select a waypoint in the list by clicking on its name.
2. Click the **Delete waypoint** button or press the **Delete** key from your keyboard.

Delete WP

- **Note:** A route is defined by at least two waypoints. If the route contains less than two waypoints, the route is deleted and the route plan window closed.
- **Note:** The selected waypoint will be deleted immediately. Use the **Undo** button to recover a deleted waypoint.

Move a waypoint in the list

1. Right-click on the waypoint's name and select the menu Move after.



2. Then select the destination waypoint and the waypoint will be moved after the selected waypoint.

Waypoint ETA information

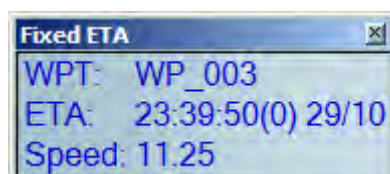
The panel WP ETA displays the ETA value for any waypoint selected by the user. The required waypoint is selected by clicking the small arrows on the RHS of the panel.

Select between Ship Speed and Planned speed by clicking the two buttons located under the arrows.

- **Note:** If the panel is not displayed, the user can make it visible by clicking the button Option and checking on the box WP ETA in the console configuration panel.
ETA for an active waypoint is always calculated using the ship speed.

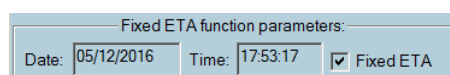
Fixed ETA function

The console **Fixed ETA** displays the selected waypoint number, the ETA required by user, and the speed to be maintained to reach the selected waypoint on time.

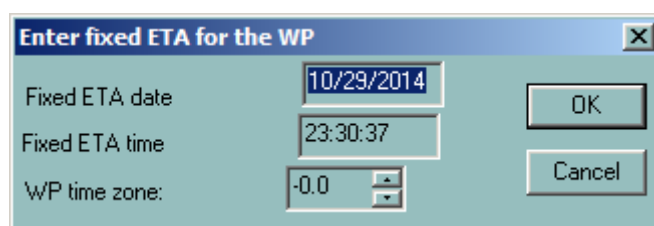


The Fixed ETA function can be used for any waypoint after the active waypoint. There are two ways to select the waypoint and enter the ETA:

- Right-click on the waypoint and select Properties. Check on the box Fixed ETA, and enter the ETA value.



- In the route plan click on **ETA of the selected waypoint** and enter the ETA value.



Waypoint arrival warnings and alarms

→ **Note:** These alerts are triggered if the TCS option is ON. See "*Configuring alerts*" on page 39 for details.

When a waypoint is crossed, the following alerts are triggered:

Time (default)	Alert	Alert type	Description
3 minutes before the WOP (Wheel Over Point)	Early course change	Warning	Does not require acknowledgement
30 seconds before the WOP	Course change	Warning	Ship starts turning onto the new course, does not require acknowledgement
WOP is reached	Course change	Alarm	Require acknowledgement
30 seconds after the WOP is passed	Back up navigator	Alarm	In case the Course change alarm was not acknowledged

You can define the timing of both the Early course change and the Course change. See "*Route options*" on page 103 for details.

After the turning is ended, the passed waypoint is deactivated while the next waypoint becomes active.

→ **Note:** When the **Course change** alarm is not acknowledged, the system considers the ship is out of control.

When the last waypoint is reached, the **End of track alert** is triggered.

Change active waypoint

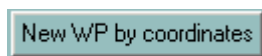
The active waypoint is selected automatically when the ship arrives at the waypoint. But at any time, the current waypoint can be changed manually.

There are different ways to select another active waypoint:

- Right-click on the waypoint of the route to be activated and select **Activate** in the list
- In the route plan waypoint list, right-click on the name of the waypoint and click **Activate**.

New waypoint by coordinates

1. Press the **New WP by coordinates** button.



2. The dialog box appears.

 A dialog box titled "New waypoint" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. It contains the following fields:

- Name:** A text box containing "WP_010".
- Position datum:** A dropdown menu showing "WGS 1984".
- Latitude:** A text box containing "42 19.616N".
- Longitude:** A text box containing "070 58.195W".

 At the bottom are three buttons: "Cancel", "OK", and "OK and New".

Change the latitude and longitude if necessary then click **OK** to enter the new waypoint.

3. Click **OK and New** to enter more than one new waypoint. The waypoint(s) will be added after the previously selected one and the details for the route will be updated accordingly.

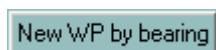
It is not possible to enter a new waypoint before the first waypoint with this method. To add a new waypoint at the start proceed as follows:

- Select the first waypoint.
- Press the **New waypoint by coordinates** button and enter the name and coordinates for the new waypoint.
- Right-click on the first waypoint and select the menu **Move after** and select the number of the newly created waypoint.

→ **Note:** When a new waypoint is created, a default number is set for it. In order to have a consistent list of numbers for the waypoints, it is necessary to renumber the waypoints by clicking once in the column title called **Name**.

New waypoint by bearing

1. Press the **New WP by bearing** button.



2. The input dialog box appears.

 A dialog box titled "New waypoint" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. It contains the following fields:

- Name:** A text box containing "WP_008".
- Bearing to new waypoint:** A spin box containing "0.0".
- Distance to new waypoint:** A spin box containing "0.0".

 At the bottom are three buttons: "Cancel", "OK", and "OK and New".

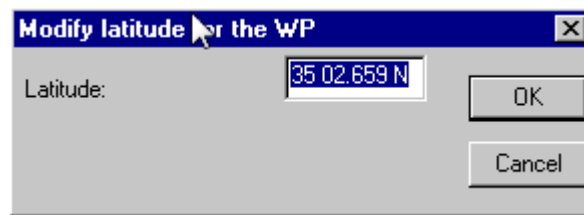
Input the range and bearing then press **OK** to enter the new waypoint.

3. Press **OK and New** to enter more than one new waypoint. The waypoint(s) will be added after the previously selected one and the details for the route will be updated accordingly.

→ **Note:** When a new waypoint is created a default number is given. In order to have a consistent list of names for the waypoints it is necessary to renumber the waypoints by clicking once in the column title called **Name**.

Set a new waypoint latitude/longitude

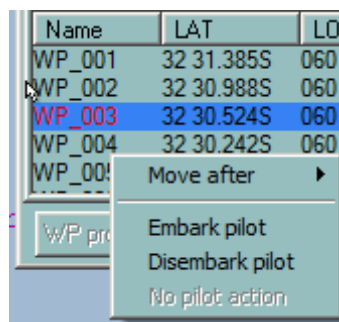
1. Click on the latitude and modify the value.



2. The longitude modification is performed the same way. Click on the longitude value in the list and input the proper longitude.

Set a waypoint as a Pilot waypoint

To set waypoints of embarking/disembarking a pilot, right-click on the waypoint name and select the proper item.



The waypoint name becomes red colored.

To cancel this waypoint property, select the **No pilot action** item.

Center the chart display on the waypoint location

Double-click on a waypoint's name to center the chart on the waypoint location.

This function allows a graphical checking of the positions of the waypoints and legs.

Interface

There are two ways for the ECDIS900 to interface with radar:

- Connection to the ARPA radar via serial line
- Connection directly to the radar transceiver with the radar kit that delivers the radar target table and the radar video

All acquired targets are displayed on the electronic chart and the ECDIS900 manages the CPA/TCPA alarms.

Targets

The targets are displayed on the chart with special symbols. On request, the name of the target and the past track can be displayed, the track can be saved on the hard disk and the manual target can be deleted. The target Properties display all information about the actual target and the target list contains the list of tracked targets.

The prediction tool allows calculating the future position of the targets.

To remove the target icons from the display, press the **F8** short key.

Radar antenna position

To set the exact position of the Radar antenna, refer to the **Shape** parameters from the **Ships properties** dialog. See "*Shape tab*" on page 42 for more details.

→ **Note:** The targets' positions are calculated from this reference point.

DSPNor Radar kit

DSPNor provides the radar video in Asterix format and ECDIS900 can display the radar video as overlay in ECDIS. The DSPNor Radar kit does not provide any tracking facilities, all targets are acquired directly on the Radar console.

Target display

Target symbols are small circles with a speed vector, the vector length is being dependent on the speed of the target.

In case of CPA/TCPA alarms, the target's icon flashes.

Show and hide

Target icons may be hidden or shown.

- Press the short key **F5** to show or hide targets.
- Alternatively press the button **Hide target** in the target list.

→ **Note:** The target on CPA/TCPA alarm is always displayed on the chart.

Show and hide name

To display or hide a target's name, right-click on the target icon and select **Show name** or **Hide name** on the pop-up menu

Show and hide past track

The target's track is continuously recorded in memory.

To display or hide a track, right-click on the target icon and select **Show past** track or **Hide past** track on the pop-up menu.

Save the track

To store a target's track in the route database on hard disk right-click on the target icon and select **Save track** from the pop-up menu.

To load/unload a recorded target track, see "*Load, unload and delete tracks*" on page 109.

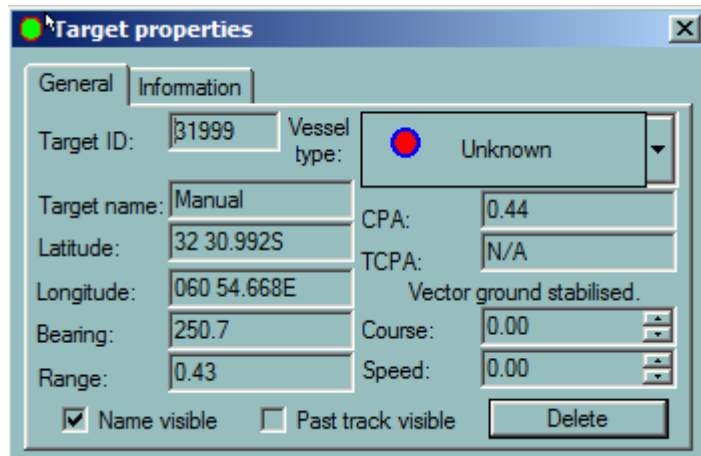
Delete a target

To delete a target, right-click on the target icon and select **Delete** on the pop-up menu.

→ **Note:** Only manually created targets can be deleted.

Target properties

To view a target's properties, right-click on the target and select **Properties** from the list.



Target properties	
Target ID:	31999
Vessel type:	Unknown
Target name:	Manual
Latitude:	32 30.992S
Longitude:	060 54.668E
Bearing:	250.7
Range:	0.43
CPA:	0.44
TCPA:	N/A
Vector ground stabilised.	
Course:	0.00
Speed:	0.00
☒ Name visible ☐ Past track visible	
Delete	

- Target ID: Unique identity of the target
- Target name: Target name
- Latitude: Latitudinal position
- Longitude: Longitudinal position
- Bearing: Bearing of the target from the ship
- Range: Range of the target from the ship
- Vessel type: Type of target
- CPA: Closest point of approach of the target to the ship
- TCPA: Time of closest point of approach of the target to the ship
- Course: Course of the target
- Speed: Speed of the target

Manual target

You can create manual targets and keep their dead reckoning. These manual targets are managed the same way as normal targets acquired from the ARPA.

1. To plot a manual target, click on the **Set target** button on the toolbar
2. Place the cursor at the desired position and click. Targets will be drawn to the same color code as described above.
3. With the **Target properties** dialog box adjust the target latitude and longitude values, if necessary, and set its course and speed, if applicable.

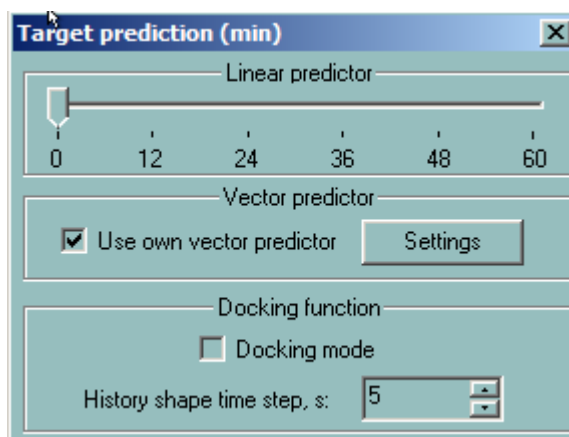


Target prediction

To predict the position of the ship and any targets, press the **Target prediction** button on the toolbar.

The **Target prediction** dialog contains a time slide bar (in minutes).



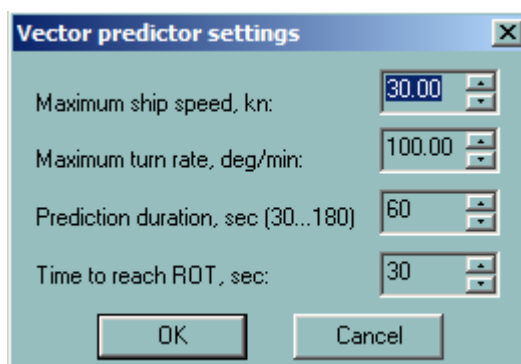


Move the slider to move the ship along its scheduled course by the corresponding time margin.

Use own vector predictor

Linear predictor calculates future positions according to current course and speed. The screen shows the predicted positions.

Press the **Settings** button to adjust the values if needed.



Target list

To display the list of the tracked targets click on the **Target list** button.

- Double-click on the target name will center the chart on the target.
- Double-click on the CPA title sorts out the targets by CPA values.
- Double-click on the TCPA title sorts out the targets by TCPA values.

ECDIS900 acquires targets via serial line from ARPA radar connected to the system. In addition, ECDIS receives by serial line the targets from AIS when AIS is interfaced to ECDIS.

Center the chart and access properties

- Double-click on the target name to center the chart on the target.
- Right-click on the target's name to access to target's properties.

Show and hide targets

Press **Hide target** to hide the targets. All targets are hidden except the target on CPA/TCPA alarms which will always be displayed.

Relative vector

Press the **Draw relative vector** button to display the targets with relative vector. The relative vector is displayed with a dotted line to make differentiate itself from the absolute vector.

AIS server

This function is dedicated to Norwegian Pilots and allows connecting to the AIS server providing AIS traffic around Scandinavia.

Create a sensor called Client AIS Server using the Sensor Monitor application, and start and stop the display of AIS data in ECDIS using the button **Start** or **Stop AIS server**.

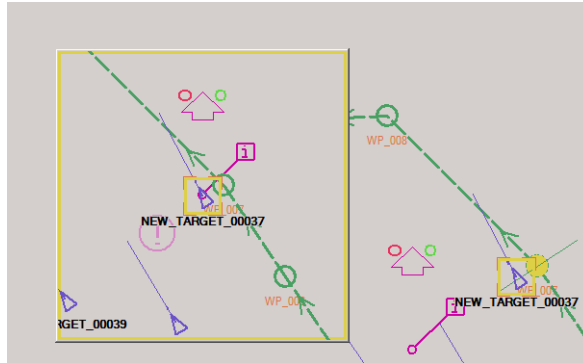
Target window

Right-click on the target (ARPA or AIS) and select **Display in a window** from the list.

A floating window centered on the target and automatically following the target is displayed.

It is possible to drag the window and different scale may be selected by right-clicking inside the window. The window is closed by double clicking inside the window or selecting the **Close** menu option.

→ **Note:** This feature is available on vector charts only.



SIMRAD Radar kit

Components

SIMRAD Radar kit includes hardware and software components.

Hardware, software and set up are described in the **Radar Kit Installation manual** delivered together with the Radar Kit.

Software components include the following applications:

- Extractor/Tracker (VarpPCI.exe).
- Sensor Monitor (Sensor Monitor.exe).
- ETS Agent (ETSAgent.exe).
- PCI Board Adjustment (SetupETS.exe).
- Remote PCI Board Adjustment (RemoteSetupETS.exe).
- Oscilloscope (Oscilloscope.exe).

→ **Note:** The SIMRAD Radar kit provides the ability of combining Radar operations with the ECDIS and is fully approved by IEC 61174 for overlay function.

The Sensor Monitor processes the navigational information from the ship's sensors and sends it to Extractor/Tracker. In case the Extractor/Tracker does not react at the heading change, check the SMonitor.ini file.

DSPNor Radar kit

The DSPNor Radar kit includes hardware and software components. Hardware, software, and set up are described in the installation guide of DSPNor.

Radar overlay

The Radar kit sets the radar picture as a layer between appropriate layers of the ENC as per regulation.



To suppress the overlay of the radar video on top of the chart, press the **F5** key and select the **No overlay** option from the list.

The Radar panel contains buttons and menus which provide the following functionality:

- Select radar source
- Activate radar overlay option
- Adjust the ship's position and compensate eventual gyro drifting

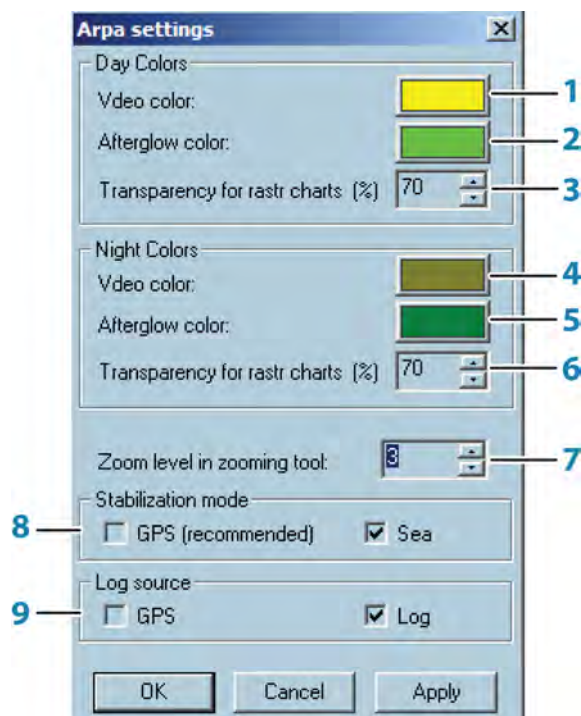


Display settings

To show the Radar picture on top of the chart, click the **Overlay** menu.

The Radar picture does not hide any chart information and is displayed in a transparency mode. According to the regulations, the Radar picture is displayed between two chart layers, and essential chart information (land contours, lights, and buoys, etc.) is displayed on the top of the Radar picture.

To adjust the radar parameter and display options, click the **Settings** button.



- 1 Color to show radar overlay in day mode
- 2 Color to show afterglow in day mode
- 3 The brilliance of the radar overlay, covering the black areas on the raster charts in day mode (in percent to specified color)
- 4 Color to show radar overlay in night mode
- 5 Color to show afterglow in night mode
- 6 The brilliance of the radar overlay, covering the black areas on the raster charts in night mode (in percent to specified color)
- 7 The rate of magnification in zooming tool
- 8 Stabilization mode for the Extractor/Tracker
- 9 The source of speed information for Extractor/Tracker

The specified colors are used in vector charts exactly as is. In raster charts the specified color will be used for drawing the transparent radar video overlay over the white areas of the chart. The color used for drawing the video over the black areas of the chart will have the specified percentage of brilliance relating to the specified color (30% by default).

To modify the referenced color, press the colored button, and the dialog with 3 sliders for Red, Green and Blue components adjustment will appear. Use the Apply button to see the result of modifications without closing the dialog.

The stabilization mode and speed sources could be adjusted in case when not all ordinary sensors are available. The recommended combination is GPS stabilization and Log speed source.

Tools

Several tools activate the functionality connected with the cursor:

Manual position offset

GPS adjustments: Overlapping the radar picture on the chart allows controlling the accuracy of the GPS position. For example, when a buoy displayed on the chart and its radar echo do not match it is probably due to the ship's position calculation accuracy.

To adjust the position of the ship use the tool **Ship position offset**.

Click on the radar echo on the chart, then drag the mouse and click on the corresponding chart object.

Then the GPS is shifted and the values of the shifting are displayed in the position panel.

To release the shifting values, right-click in the position panel and activate the **Clean position offset** option.

Gyro drift

When the radar picture is slightly rotated compared to the chart, the drifting of the gyro is probably the cause of the problem. To adjust the gyro in ECDIS900 enter the corrective value of the heading with the small arrows. The radar picture will be rotated accordingly and the gyro shifting value displayed in the Heading panel.

Zooming tool

- Press the referenced button and the cursor is changed to prompt for the zoomed area selection.
- The square zooming window appears when you left-click in the chart area.
- The window represents the zoomed area below the central point.
- The zooming rate can be specified in **ARPA Settings** dialog, ranges 2 – 6.

The zooming window can be dragged using the mouse, and zoomed content will be updated after fixing the window at a certain position for a short period.

The radar video in zooming window is updated synchronously with the radar antenna rotation. The zooming window disappears automatically if not moved in 15 seconds. Also, it can be closed manually by pressing the referenced button on the Radar property page a second time.



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Alert management

Overview

The ECDIS900 system provides alerts and indications to inform about critical or non-critical failures, and other events. Alerts are indicated on each ECDIS workstation and are synchronized with BAMS (Bridge Alert Management System).

The ECDIS900 is connected to the BAMS by serial line and the alert management procedure in the ECDIS900 is facilitated by the centralized alert management. This includes:

- Remote display of alerts with their status on the BAMS display.
- Remote silencing of the alert sound signal from BAMS.
- Remote acknowledgement of selected alerts of category B from the BAMS.
- Limitation: category A alerts (safety contour alerts for instance) cannot be remotely acknowledged from the BAMS.

Display of alerts and priority

The alerts are displayed in the ECDIS console area in priority order. That is, the highest priority alert is displayed at top of the list.

The display priority order of the alerts depends on the alert priority and of the state of the alert. The list is presented in the following order:

- **active** emergency alarms
- **active - unacknowledged** and **active - silenced** alarms
- **active - unacknowledged** and **active - silenced** warnings
- **rectified - unacknowledged** alarms
- **active - acknowledged** alarms
- **active - acknowledged** warnings

Display notifications

When an alert is triggered, an alert message is displayed in the alert area located in the console and the danger is highlighted on the chart or in the console area.

Alert symbols

Level	Basic symbol	Priority and classification	Description
1		Alarm	Requires immediate attention and action of a bridge team to prevent the alarmed situation and hold safe ship operation. Escalation is an alarm from non-acknowledged warning.
2		Warning	Requires immediate attention of a bridge team to make the team aware of conditions which may become hazardous. For example, approaching to a critical point.
3		Caution	Indication of a condition which requires attention, but does not require action. For example, AIS target display capacity is about to be exceeded. The caution is marked with a yellow square. This alert goes on and off while the indicated condition exists. Acknowledgment is not required.

By default a sound signal accompanies an alert message that is not acknowledged and the pulse frequency of the flashing of the alert button is 1 Hz.

The following sound patterns are used:

- Alarm: 3 beeps each 10 seconds; the alarm can be silenced once without acknowledgement for the 30 seconds.
- Warning: 2 beeps each minute.

Alarms and warnings are accompanied by an appropriate audible signal pattern emitted by a buzzer located in the front frame of the monitor or in a panel.

Silencing alarms and warning

Alarms and warnings category A and B can be silenced from an ECDIS workstation and/or from the BAMS.

Silence mode is available for any alarm **ONLY once** and no longer than for 60 seconds. After that, the alarm must be acknowledged.

To reduce the noise disturbance in harbor and berthing conditions, activate the Harbor mode which stops triggering alerts. To activate Harbor mode press the **CTRL + H** keys.

Alarm symbol	Warning symbol	Alert state	Indication
		Active, Unacknowledged, Not silenced	- Flashing symbol and description text - Relevant audible signal generated
		Active, Unacknowledged, Silenced	- Flashing symbol and description text - Silenced horn

Acknowledging alarms

To acknowledge an alert, double-click on the alarm message or click the **Acknowledge** button after selecting the alarm message.

Alternatively, click the **Return** button to acknowledge all alerts.

The following icons indicate the current state of alerts.

Alarm symbol	Warning symbol	Alert state	Indication
		Active, Acknowledged	- Steady symbol and description text - Silenced horn
		Rectified, Unacknowledged	Flashing symbol and description text

→ **Note:** Alerts do not disappear automatically even if the reason of the alert is no longer there.

It is not required to acknowledge caution alerts.

→ **Note:** If the alert symbol is flashing, then the alert is not acknowledged.

Acknowledgement from BAMS

Alerts category A and B can be acknowledged from an ECDIS workstation but only alerts category B can be acknowledged from the BAMS.

Escalation from Warning to Alarm

In the ECDIS900, there is only one warning that is escalated to alarm when not acknowledged, and that is the **Anchor watching** warning. The interval for escalation is two minutes and cannot be changed.

Warning escalation counting

In the ECDIS900, the escalation timer for the warning is fixed and set up at 2 minutes.

Every 2 minutes, when the warning is active, the escalation counter will be increased with one unit and sent to the BAMS. When the warning is triggered the first time, the escalation counter is 0.

Rectification of the alarm conditions

When the alarm condition is rectified for an alarm that is not acknowledged, the visual presentation of the alarm stays as it is but the audible signal stops.

This applies to all alerts except CPA/TCPA alarms. When the CPA/TCPA alarm condition is rectified, the CPA/TCPA alarm disappears from the list and the audible signal stops.

De-activation of the alert function

In the ECDIS900, there are some functions that can be de-activated while the associated alert reporting function remains operational.

For example; when a route is active and an XTD alarm is active, if the route is de-activated the XTD alarm disappears from the list of alerts.

ECDIS in network

When several ECDIS workstations are connected in a network, acknowledgement of an alarm is synchronized. That is, when an alert is acknowledged on one PC, this alert is acknowledged on all PCs with the exception of user defined alerts which are local on the user PC.

→ **Note:** Audible alarms are only triggered in the station set as Monitoring. Planning stations will only show visual alarms.

List of alerts

Alert categories

Alerts have two categories:

- **A:** The information is required for the decision support. The A category alerts are generated by workstation. All alerts of the A category require to be acknowledged. Can be acknowledged on the ECDIS PC only.
- **B:** No additional information is required for the decision support. The B category alerts are generated by navigational system. Can be acknowledged on the BAMS.

Category A alerts includes those where information is necessary to make a decision for the alert-related condition, for example, grounding danger. These alerts need to be assessed at the relevant ECDIS workstation.

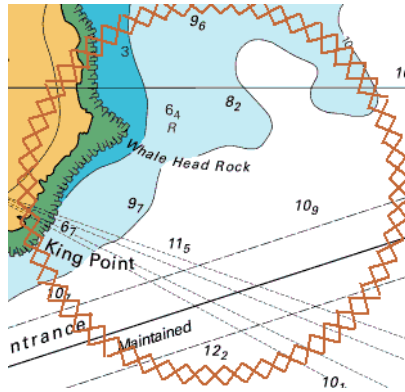
Category B alerts are specified as alerts where no additional information for decision support is necessary apart from the information which can be presented at the alert information.

Category A alerts

Information	Type
Crossing safety contour	Alarm
Crossing area with special conditions (selectable)	Warning or caution
Crossing a navigational hazard	Caution
Deviation from route	Alarm
Approach to critical point	Warning or alarm
CPA/TCPA	Alarm
AIS target processing/display capacity is about to be exceeded	Caution
AIS target processing/display capacity have been exceeded	Warning
Outside anchor watch area (escalation)	Warning or alarm
User defined alarm	Alarm

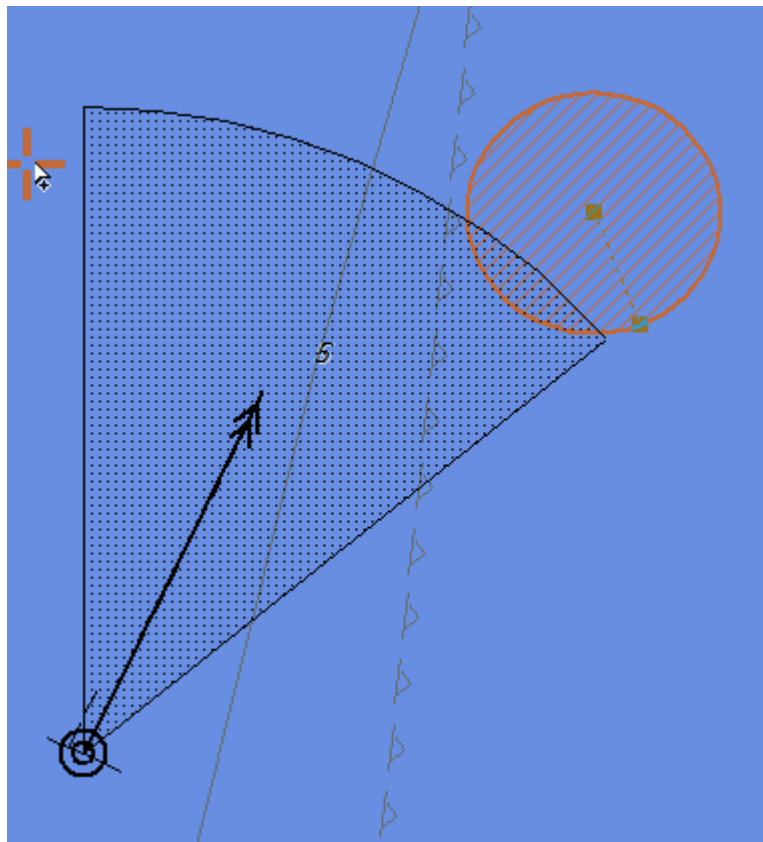
Category B alerts

Information	Type
Positioning system failure	Warning
Failure in Gyro	Warning
Failure in STW	Warning



Where the alarmed object is a point, this is surrounded by a red rectangle.

When the object triggers an alarm the display changes, the lines are drawn in red, 2 pixels width.



Monitoring user alarm

When the ship's guard zone intercepts an alarmed object, an alarm is triggered. The alarm is displayed as long as the alarmed object remains inside the ship's guard zone.

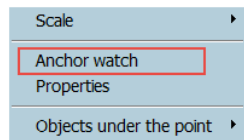
Release alarm

To release an alert on one object, right-click and activate the option **Delete alarm** or select all alert objects using the menu option **Select all alarm objects** in the **Edit** menu in the editor panel and press the **Delete selected objects** button.

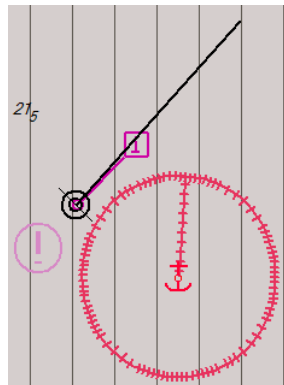
Anchor watching

The function controls the ship position relative to an anchor point. To set the offset value, open the F-Distance dialog from the Shape tab of the Ship properties dialog. See "*Shape tab*" on page 42 for details.

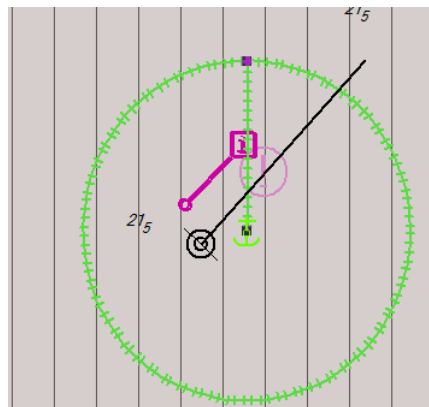
1. Right-click on the ship icon and select Anchor watch from the menu.



2. A red circle defines the anchor safety area when the alert is active. The radius is set in the F-Distance settings dialog.

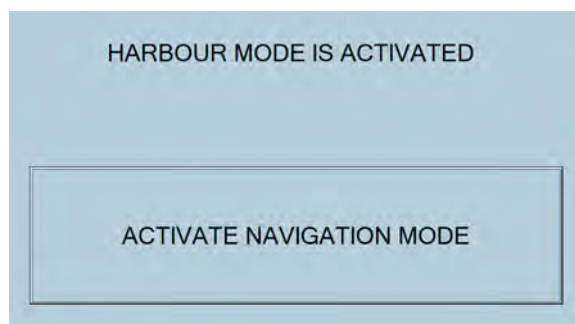


The warning is activated when the ship is outside the circle. The warning is escalated to an alarm if it is not acknowledged within 1 minute. The circle is green if the alert is not triggered but the function is on.



Harbor mode

To suppress alerts (buzzer and external BAMS) when vessel is in the harbor (berthing or whatever), switch on **Harbor** mode. Alerts are disabled and chart area is hidden by big panel indicating that ECDIS is OUT of navigation mode.



CTRL+H short key is used to activate the function. Press the button on the harbor panel, and the system is back to the navigation mode.

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Automatic Identification System (AIS)

Interface

The AIS transponder communicates with the ECDIS via a serial cable (NMEA 0183 protocol). The duplex link between the AIS and ECDIS provides two-way communication:

- The ECDIS receives dynamic data (targets' positions and information) and messages from AIS (see *"Receiving messages"* on page 139).
- The ECDIS transfers own ship's static and voyage data to the AIS.
- The ECDIS may also be used to send messages to selected recipients (see *"Sending messages"* on page 140).

ECDIS provides different update intervals for low speed and high speed targets. For example, anchored target has 180 seconds for update while the high speed target has 2 seconds for update. This approach increases the display capability of the system.

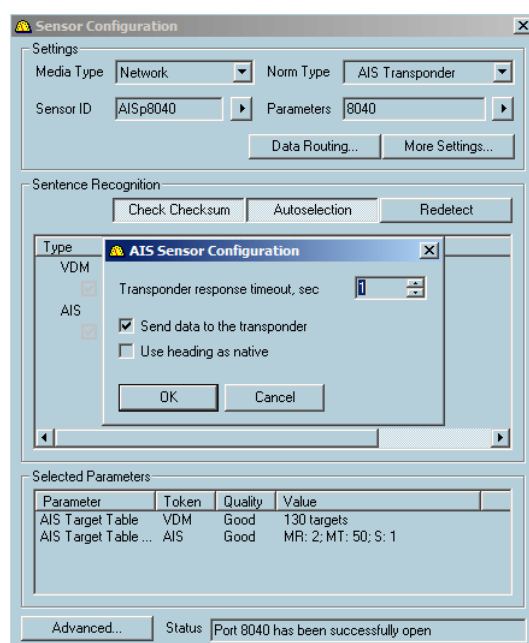
→ **Note:** Ship's static data including Ship's name, length, etc. are used in both AIS transponder and ECDIS900 and can be entered either in AIS device either in ECDIS900.

The AIS transponder sends regularly ship's static data to ECDIS900 and vice versa ECDIS900 may send ship's static data to the AIS device.

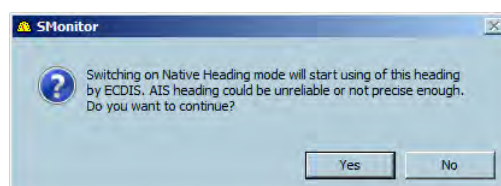
→ **Note:** Class A AIS is provided for SOLAS ships and provides full data. Class B AIS is for non-SOLAS craft providing a subset of that data.

If the user decides to use in ECDIS900 the static data entered in the AIS transponder, ECDIS900 should not send the static data to the AIS. Therefore, when setting up the communication in Sensor Monitor tick off the flag **Send data to the transponder**.

Two kinds of filters can be applied to the sensor data.



AIS Sensor can be switched to the Native heading mode but the AIS heading could be unreliable or not precise enough. So the proper warning appears if the **Use heading as native** item is ticked on. Press **Yes** to switch on the mode or **No** to return to the previous state.

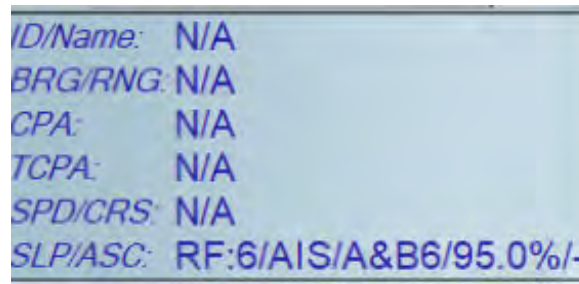
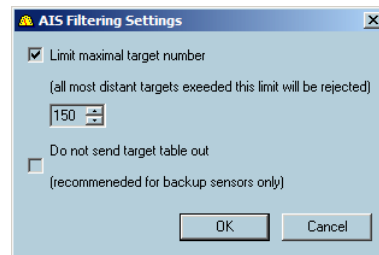


To optimize the number of displayed targets, press the **AIS filtering** button and set the filter criteria in the dialog.



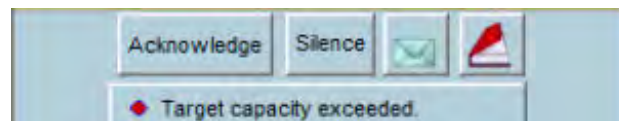
Processing and display capacity

ECDIS900 is capable of processing a limited number of targets, tracked, and reported. However, in order to avoid cluttering of ECDIS display, the user must fix the limit maximal of targets displayed in ECDIS900. This number is used for both maximum display capacity of ECDIS900.



→ **Note:** In case the AIS number exceeds 95% of the limit maximal target number, the alert indication **AIS capacity** is displayed in the target panel.

When the number of target received from the AIS device exceeds 100%, of the maximum number, a warning is displayed in the Alarm Panel.

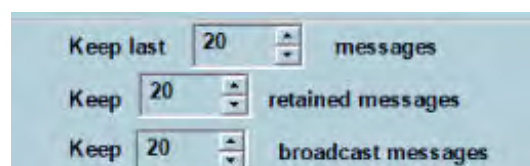


The maximum number of AIS targets which are the closest to the ship are displayed, the other targets are ignored. The minimum processing and display capacity for all Class A (active and sleeping), Class B Aircraft is 40. Others are listed below:

Requirements	Capacity
Minimum display capacity for AIS data reports	20
Minimum display processing for AIS data reports	20
Minimum display capacity for AIS locating devices	20
Minimum display processing for AIS locating devices	20

Safety related messages

ECDIS900 displays by default the last 20 addressed and last 20 broadcast AIS safety related messages received and at least 20 received AIS safety related messages retained by the user. However, the user can increase the number of messages.



Broadcasted data

The AIS transponder broadcasts three different types of data to other AIS installations or base stations:

- Static ship data including Ship's name, IMO number, call sign etc.
- Voyage related data including Destination and ETA.
- Dynamic data including position, heading and speed, ROT (Rate of Turn if available) etc.

Static ship and voyage related data is sent every 6 minutes.

The dynamic data sending rate depends on the ships speed. The dynamic data is sent every 5-10 seconds when the ship is making more than 3 knots but the delay is increased up to 3 minutes when the ship is making less than 3 knots.

Targets

AIS targets are displayed on the chart with a special symbol. On request the name of the target (see *"Show and hide AIS target's name"* on page 137) and the past track (see *"Show and hide past track"* on page 137) can be displayed and the track can be saved (see *"Save the track"* on page 137) on the hard disk. All information about the selected target is displayed in the

Properties of AIS target dialog. The target list contains the list of targets currently being tracked (see *"Target list"* on page 120).

The prediction tool allows the user to display the future position of the targets (see *"Target prediction"* on page 119).

AIS Sleeping parameters (see *"Sleeping target"* on page 135) and target associations (see *"Target association"* on page 136) allow for adjusting the target display.

Lost targets

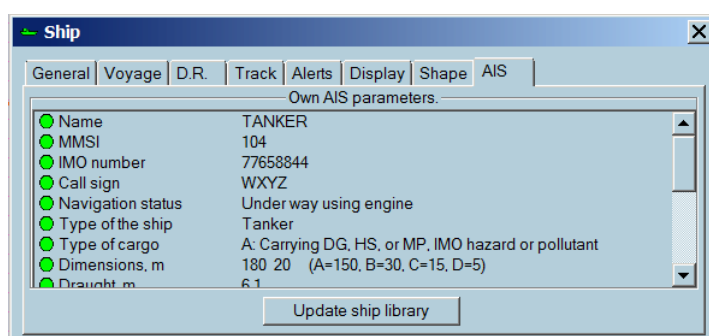
ECDIS manages both ARPA and AIS lost targets. If no position is received within 3 minutes, a target is considered as lost and ECDIS displays the lost target on the chart with a special icon (triangle with a cross line and no vector). Then if no data is received within the next 30 seconds, the target is deleted from the target table.

Own ship data

Voyage data

When ship's static data received from AIS device is used in ECDIS900, it is displayed in the Ship's properties, AIS tab (see *"AIS tab"* on page 44).

A green icon displayed in front of the parameter means that ECDIS900 settings are the same as the AIS settings for the selected parameter. If the icon is red, the parameter of AIS is different from the parameter of ECDIS900.



If any discrepancy exists, ECDIS900 proposes to synchronize the data with the data received from AIS transponder.

Voyage data has to be entered in the AIS transponder for each voyage.

When a route is activated in ECDIS900, the voyage data is calculated by the ECDIS.

These data can be sent automatically to the AIS transponder, but you can manually enter data and send it to an AIS transponder.

The voyage information is displayed and entered in the Voyage tab in the Ship properties dialog. The option Manual entry must be checked to be able to enter manually the voyage data (see *"Modifying the voyage information"* on page 37).

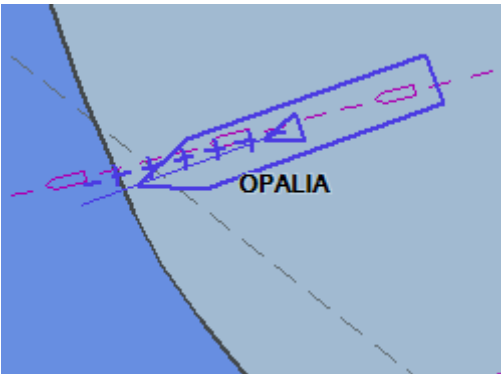
Ship and voyage data are automatically sent via the serial link to the AIS transponder.

AIS target display

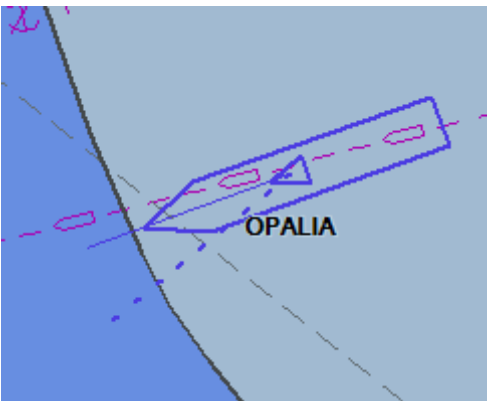
The AIS target symbol is a blue triangle with a speed vector (dotted line) and the COG vector (continuous line). The speed vector length depends on the speed of the target (true vector) or on both own ship and target speed (relative vector).

By default AIS target outline is not displayed. To display the scaled ship icon (outline), tick on the **Display AIS outline** option in the **AIS filtering and association** dialog. See *"Sleeping target"* on page 135 for details.

True vector

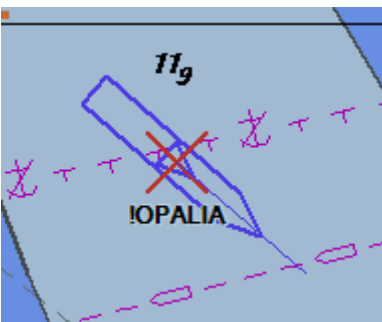


Relative vector



When a target is lost, the vector is no longer displayed and a small line crossing the green triangle shows the status of the target in the table. On the chart, the blinking red cross appears over the AIS symbol indicating the lost target.

1 targets in the table, (AIS: 1)							
Vessel name	MMSI	CPA	TCPA	Range/Bearing	Ship type	Call sign	Nat
▲ AIS IOPALIA	1	0.40nm	42.6min	0.53nm 304.5°	Tanker	MZFC4	Un

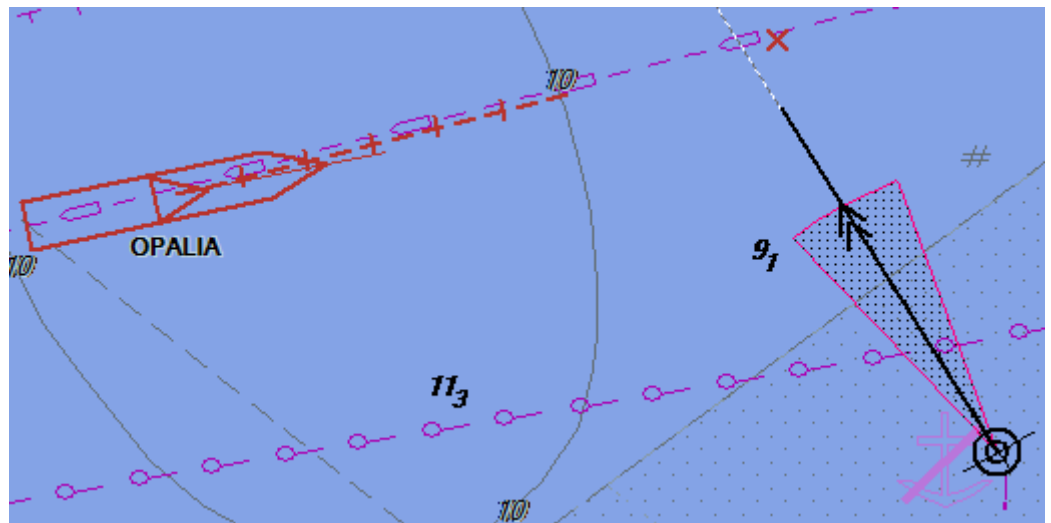


When the set CPA/TCPA alarms are activated the icon blinks.

→ **Note:** If the Rate of Turn (ROT) is received for a specific target, a small bar is displayed at the end of the target vector indicating the direction of the turn.

CPA TCPA alarm

When the CPA TCPA alarm is generated, the target symbol becomes red and it blinks.

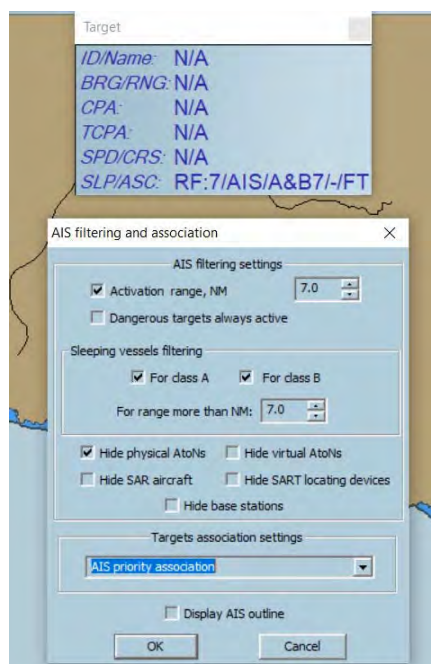
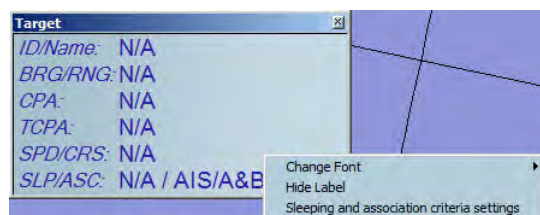


Sleeping target

It is possible to display name of targets only in a specified range around ship.

Select options in **AIS sleeping criteria settings**.

In Target console, right-click and open dialog window to adjust range or CPA alarmed targets.



If the sleeping filtering function is activated, the following range values are displayed in the target console bottom bar:

- Type of filtered AIS: A, B or A&B
- Maximum distance of AIS target

SLP/ASC: RF:7/AIS/A&B7/-/FT

Target association

According to the ARPA regulation, an automatic target association function is provided based on harmonized criteria. When the function is enabled, it avoids the presentation of two full target symbols for the same physical target.

If the target data from AIS and radar tracking are both available, and if the association criteria (for example position, motion) are fulfilled such that the AIS and radar information are considered as one physical target, the activated AIS target symbol and the alphanumeric AIS target data shall be automatically selected and displayed, with the provision of an alternative priority listed below.

The user has the option to change the default condition to the display of tracked radar targets and shall be permitted to select either radar tracking or AIS alphanumeric data. Once a TT target and AIS target have become associated, hysteresis shall be applied to the criteria to set the new criteria or disassociation. For practical applications, it shall be permitted to vary the association and disassociation criteria by up to 300 % of the default values. Association for Class A and Class B AIS targets are permitted, but the lower update rate on Class B AIS targets may limit or prevent association.

Select option in the **Target association settings** list.



3 options are available:

- No association
- AIS priority association
- ARPA priority association.

It is possible to change the selected option at any time, but only operating in the Monitoring station mode.

- Selected option is displayed in target console (SLP/ASC).
- Display of associated targets is done according to current standard.

Name of associated target displayed on the chart in brackets after the name of main target.

This makes it possible to get access to appropriate target properties in the target table. In the target table no association is used and data is displayed as it is.

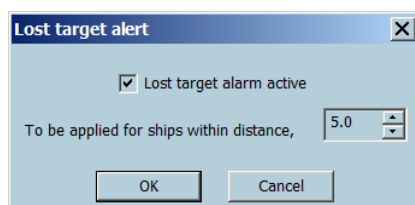
Lost target alert

This alert is a warning.

→ **Note:** The alert is available when the CPA/TCPA alarm function is enabled.

Press the button to configure an alert when a target is lost within a given Range around the ship's position. This alert is available for both AIS and ARPA targets.

1. Press the Lost target button to open the dialog
2. Check the box to activate the alert
3. Set the value of the range



- **Note:** When the alert is active, lost targets are not removed automatically from the list after normal timeout (1 min). Alert acknowledgment will remove lost targets from the list.

Show and hide AIS target's name

To display or hide a target's name, right-click on the target icon and select **Show name** or **Hide name** on the pop-up menu.

- **Note:** The user may also select to hide or show the name from the target's properties dialog.

Show and hide past track

All AIS tracks are automatically recorded in memory (up to 3 hours).

To display or hide a track right-click on the target icon and select **Show past track** or **Hide past track** in the pop-up menu.

- **Note:** A track is hidden by default. To show the track, toggle on **Past track visible** in the Target properties dialog.

Save the track

To store a target's track in the database of routes and tracks, which is stored on the hard disk, right-click on the target icon and select **Save track** from the pop-up menu. The track is recorded for 3 hours with 30 seconds time stamp.

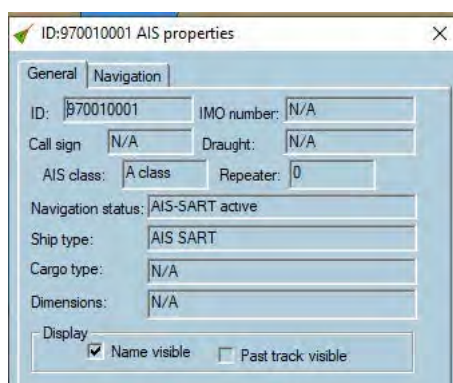
The saved AIS tracks are stored in the same database as the own ship and saved ARPA tracks. To load or unload procedure of recorded target tracks see *"Managing track recordings"* on page 39.

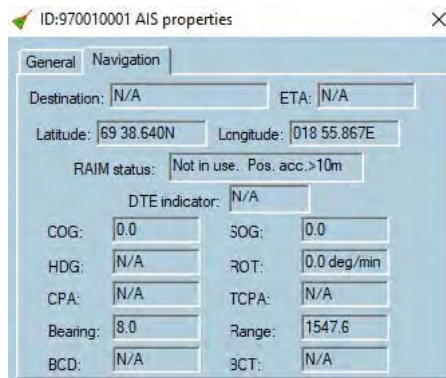
AIS target properties

To view the properties of a target, right-click on the target and select Properties from the pop-up menu.

It is also possible to view the properties from the target list dialog. Right-click on the name of the target.

The General panel displays static information about the target and the Navigation panel displays information about the voyage and the dynamic data.



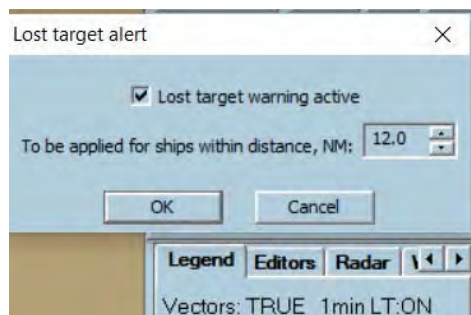


User selection and status

In the Target console, the bottom sentence describes the selected filters:

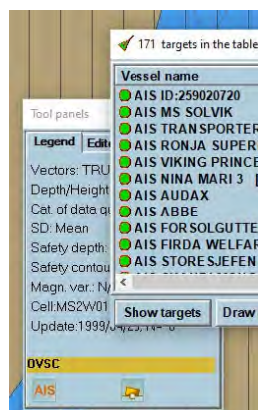
SLP/ASC: RF:7/AIS/A&B7/-/FT

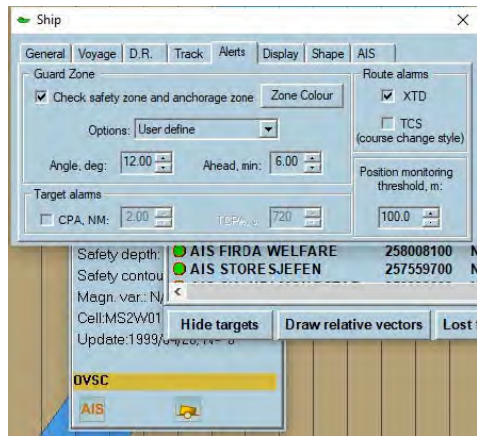
- **Section 1:** RF:7.0 is related to activation target criteria and distance, RF:7.0 indicates 7 nm activation range or empty if there is no activation.
- **Section 2:** Target association: AIS, ARPA or empty.
- **Section 3:** Related of filtering sleeping target criteria: A7, B7, A&B7 or empty.
- **Section 4:** AIS capacity in case it exceed 95% empty otherwise.
- **Section 5:** If any of the available filter (Physical or Virtual aton, SAR, SART, Base Station) is activated FT is displayed empty otherwise Lost target warning indicator: LT: ON or LT:OFF



Show/Hide Target and CPA/TCPA Indicator

The same indicator "Target Monitoring OFF" is displayed when CPA/TCPA function is OFF or when the AIS targets are hidden.



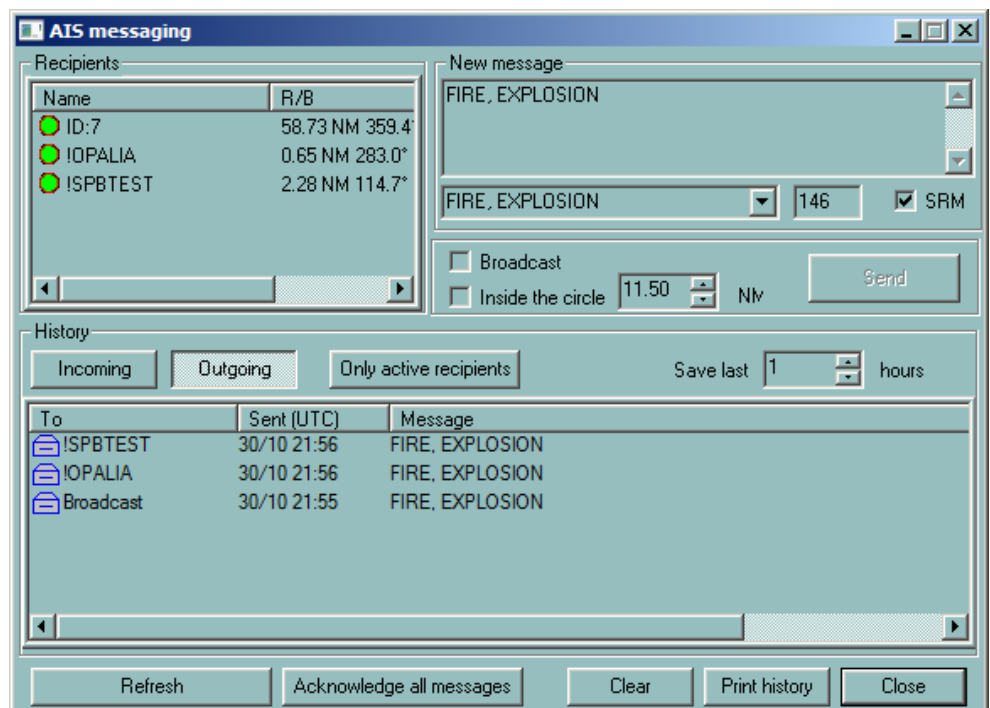


Messages

The AIS messaging system can send and receive short messages from an AIS transponder. The following VDL messages are also processed and displayed:

- 1, 2, 3, and 5 (Class A AIS and AIS-SART)
- 18, 19, and 24 (Class B AIS)
- 9 (AIS on Airborne SAR craft)
- 21 (AIS AtoN)
- 12 and 14 (Safety related messages)
- 6 and 8 (AIS application specific messages)

ECDIS provides an elegant and efficient interface to this messaging facility.



Receiving messages

When a new message is received by the AIS, it is automatically transferred to ECDIS and the notification is blinking small blue envelope icon (displayed next to the acknowledgement button in the alarm panel).



1. Click on the envelope icon to display the messaging dialog and click the **Incoming** button to see incoming messages.
2. New messages are listed in the lower part of the window with the senders name and the time of reception.
3. Click on the line to display the full message in the upper part of the dialog.

4. Double-click on the message to acknowledge it or push the **Acknowledge** button to acknowledge all messages. The messages that have not been acknowledged are displayed as bold.
5. Right-click on the message to delete it from the list or click **Clear** to delete all messages.
6. Select how long you want to keep the messages in the log with the **Save last** parameter.
7. Print all messages with the button **Print history**.
8. Display the incoming messages from only the active recipients, i.e. the current received AIS signals.

→ **Note:** When a received message is not acknowledged, the message is displayed on the chart next to the target name of the AIS sender.

Tip: Double right-click on the message centers the chart on the AIS target.

Sending messages

Click on the blue envelop icon located in the Alarm panel, press **Ctrl + A**, or click the **AIS messaging** button in the target list or right-click on the target and select the **Send text message** menu option to display the AIS messaging window.

1. Select **Outgoing message**. The list of sent messages is displayed in the lower part of the window.
2. Type a new message in the new message text box or select a pre-formatted message from the SRM pop-up.
3. Select a recipient or check on the Broadcast box and click the **Send** button. It is also possible to broadcast a message within a circle defined by the radius **Inside the circle**.
4. When the MOB button is pushed, an AIS SRM message is automatically broadcast.

IMPORTANT:

If the state of the addressed AIS target is DTE=1 the message will not be sent to this recipient. Example with Hurtigruten:

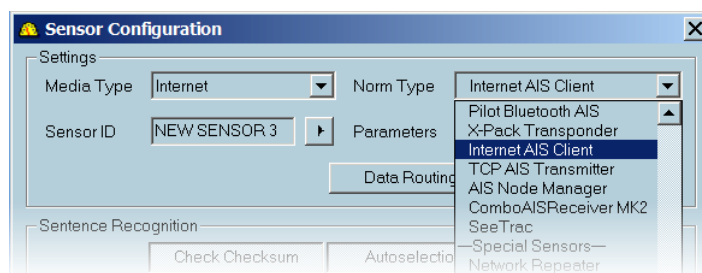


AIS data server

Scandinavian AIS traffic is accessible via Internet. To connect to the dedicated website, the login name and password are required.

Set up

In the Sensor Monitor create a sensor, norm type Internet AIS Client.



Start/Stop AIS data receiving

In the ECDIS900, access the target list window and activate or deactivate the reception. Enter the login name and password when required.

After few seconds, AIS targets are displayed on the chart.

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The Log book

During the process of its operation, ECDIS automatically maintains two different electronic logbooks:

- Voyage record
- Twenty four hours logbook

The voyage record stores every two hours the position, speed and course of the ship for half a year.

→ **Note:** This logbook is copy protected and cannot be deleted.

The twenty-four hours logbook records both navigational events and system events. It is also possible for the navigator to make manual entries in the logbook.

The logbook entries are divided into 24 hours. Automatically at 24.00 hours each day the current logbook is closed and stored in the logbook database and a new one created.

Recorded events include:

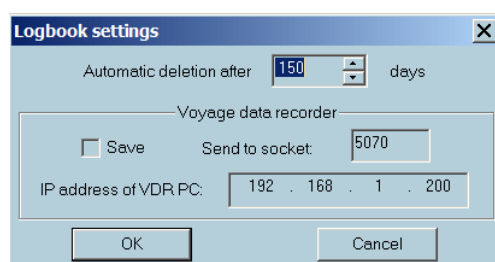
- Ship position, course and speed
- Chart in use together with the scale and central point of the screen
- The GPS position offset
- Route events (Active route and waypoint)
- Target events: creation, position, and deletion
- Target positions
- AIS target position, name and status
- Triggered alarms
- Acknowledged alarms
- Manual event
- Manual plotting (Navigation Editor)
- Position fixes are displayed in the tabular form. Other navigational objects created by user are visible while replaying data only.

The logbook window lists all entries of the current logbook (see "*Displaying the logbook*" on page 141). It allows printing (see "*Print*" on page 144) and replaying historical logbooks which are loaded from the database (see "*Loading a logbook*" on page 143).

Logbook settings

It is not allowed to stop the logbook recording, but you can set the following parameters:

- Automatic deletion – no less than 90 days.
- VDR parameters
 - Socket to send
 - IP address for VDR

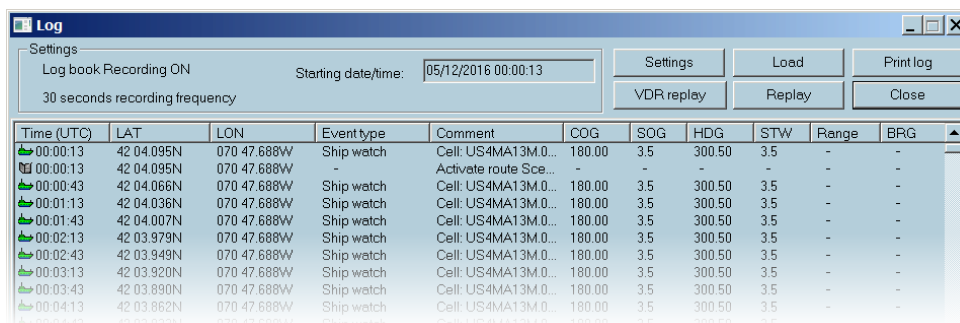


Displaying the logbook

Select the Logbook tool on the toolbar to display the logbook window and list the entries of the current twenty-four hours logbook. It is now possible to print the logbook, load an historical book and replay it.

Press the **VDR replay** button to replay recorded data from VDR recording.





Time (UTC)	LAT	LON	Event type	Comment	COG	SOG	HDG	STW	Range	BRG
00:00:13	42 04.095N	070 47.688W	Ship watch	Cell: US4MA13M.0...	180.00	3.5	300.50	3.5	-	-
00:00:13	42 04.095N	070 47.688W	-	Activate route Sce...	-	-	-	-	-	-
00:00:43	42 04.066N	070 47.688W	Ship watch	Cell: US4MA13M.0...	180.00	3.5	300.50	3.5	-	-
00:01:13	42 04.036N	070 47.688W	Ship watch	Cell: US4MA13M.0...	180.00	3.5	300.50	3.5	-	-
00:01:43	42 04.007N	070 47.688W	Ship watch	Cell: US4MA13M.0...	180.00	3.5	300.50	3.5	-	-
00:02:13	42 03.979N	070 47.688W	Ship watch	Cell: US4MA13M.0...	180.00	3.5	300.50	3.5	-	-
00:02:43	42 03.949N	070 47.688W	Ship watch	Cell: US4MA13M.0...	180.00	3.5	300.50	3.5	-	-
00:03:13	42 03.920N	070 47.688W	Ship watch	Cell: US4MA13M.0...	180.00	3.5	300.50	3.5	-	-
00:03:43	42 03.890N	070 47.688W	Ship watch	Cell: US4MA13M.0...	180.00	3.5	300.50	3.5	-	-
00:04:13	42 03.862N	070 47.688W	Ship watch	Cell: US4MA13M.0...	180.00	3.5	300.50	3.5	-	-
00:04:43	42 03.834N	070 47.688W	Ship watch	Cell: US4MA13M.0...	180.00	3.5	300.50	3.5	-	-

Each entry in the logbook is defined by the following attributes:

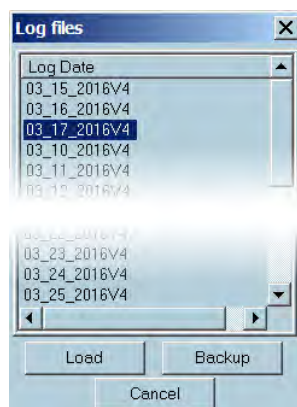
- Time
- Position (Latitude and Longitude)
- Event type
- Comment
- Other parameters depending on the event type.
- COG (Course over ground)
- SOG (Speed over ground)
- HDG (Heading)
- STW (Speed through water)
- Range
- Bearing

The entries are not editable. However, you can sort the list by Time or Event type by clicking on the relative column headings.

→ **Note:** The comment field contains information about the event. Together with the position of the ship, the chart in use and the position offset is available. To display the full text, move the cursor onto the comment field and a small window will display the information.

Voyage record

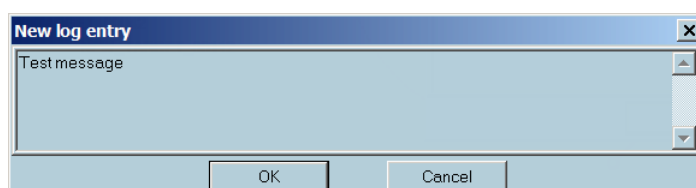
To display the voyage record, press the **Load** button and select the file name using the following data format: **MM_DD_YYYYV4.lgf**.



New log entry

In case of a special event, the operator can record the event in the logbook manually.

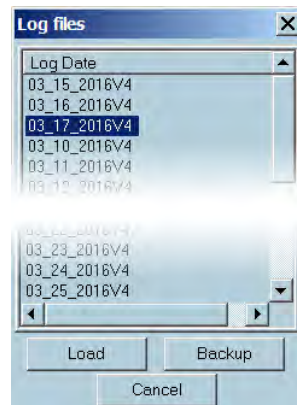
1. To enter a new record in the logbook, press the New Logbook record button.
2. Enter details via the keyboard and click OK.



3. The new entry is added to the Logbook with time and location stamps.

Loading a logbook

Click the Load button to open the Log files dialog. The current logbook is closed every day at 24:00 hours and stored in the logbook database. A logbook is defined by a name, which is by default the date, and can be loaded from the database to be displayed and replayed.



The loaded logbook will be shown in the logbook window, replacing the current logbook. When unloaded, the current logbook is redisplayed in the window.

Backup a logbook

Select the logbook name, press the **Backup** button and select the folder in which the logbook will be stored.

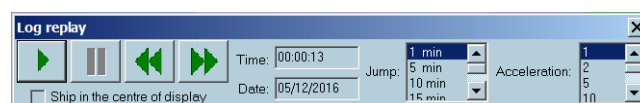
Replay

This function allows replaying the main events which occurred during the navigation exactly. In particular, ECDIS loads and automatically scales the charts as they were, and triggers and acknowledges alarms as it was done during the voyage.

To initiate replay, click on the **Replay** button in the **Log** window.

⚠ Warning: The replay function must be used carefully, preferably only when the ship is in harbor. During replay all navigation functions are deactivated, the ship is no longer monitored and the logbook recording is suspended.

The Log replay window allows the user to control the replay.



Start replay

- To start the replay, click on the Start Replay button.
- By default, the start time for replay is the time of the first logbook entry.
- To suspend replay, click the Suspend button.

→ **Note:** During replay most of the navigation functions are available, however, the route planning and monitoring functions are not enabled. During the replay the chart is automatically loaded, scaled, and scrolled, and the logbook window scrolls automatically to display the replayed data.

Adjusting the replay starting time

Three different methods are available:

- Use the Backward and Forward buttons for scrolling the logbook adjusting the start time.
- Click the button once to adjust the time by one Jump step.
- Click in the time text box, select the appropriate field, and enter the desired value.
- In the Logbook window, before starting the display, double-click on the line you want the logbook to start.

Jump step

The size of the Jump step, the amount of time to skip with each click for the Backward and Forward buttons, can be adjusted using the up and down arrows.

→ **Note:** If the recording track function is active when rewinding or jumping, the track recording will be stopped. To restart recording the track during the replay, you must activate the track recording function again.

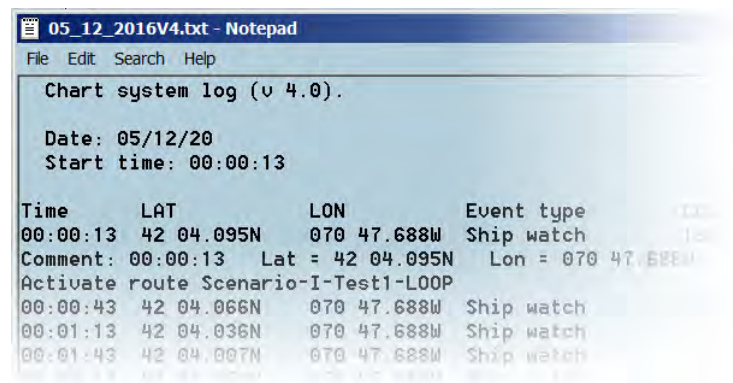
Acceleration

You can choose the acceleration rate for the display. Adjust the rate with the Up and Down arrows.

The acceleration value of 5 provides replay of real time multiplied by 5.

Print

Click the **Print log** button on the Log dialog box and the Notepad will be displayed showing the content of the logbook.



→ **Note:** The Notepad application gives the user all possibilities to save the file, change the document presentation and to search through the data.

New logbook record

To enter a new record in the logbook, click on the **New logbook record** icon.

For a detailed overview of this procedure, see "*Event*" on page 142.



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Capture screen client

Capture Screen Client is a software for grabbing a PC screen image and sending the image data to the network using TCP/IP protocol. It can be used as a part of ECDIS or RADAR software.

The usual receiver of the captured image is VDR (Voyage Data Recorder). Capture Screen Client supports UDP as TCP transmission.

For UDP transmission, sending the image data using multicast protocol is also supported.

The requirements for UDP protocol (protocol, IP addresses, and ports) are described in IEC 61162-450:2018.

The demands to TCP protocol (protocol, IP addresses, and ports) are described in IEC 62388.

For more details, refer to the Capture Screen Client User Manual.

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NAVTEX

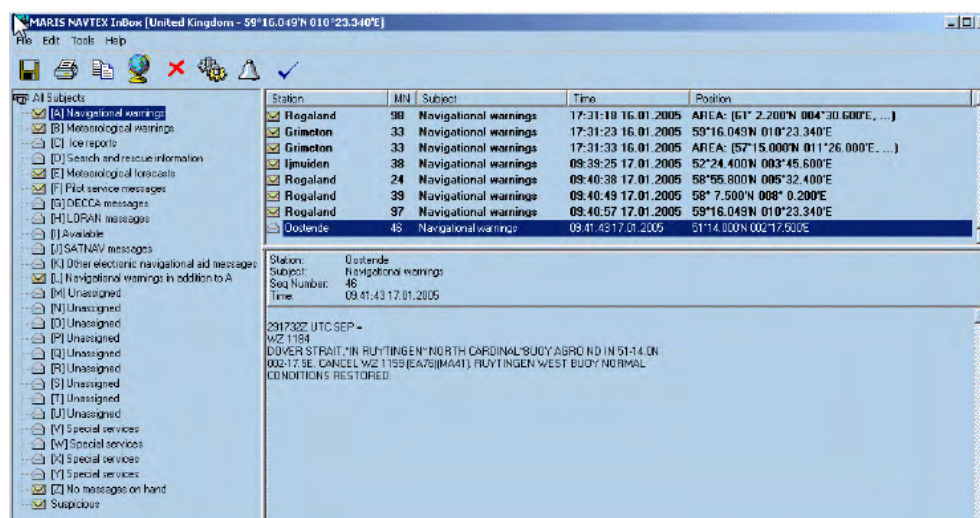
The ECDIS900 can manage data received from different Navtex receivers. Only Navtex receivers that are able to send data on serial line can be interfaced to the ECDIS900.

When the Navtex module is installed, two applications are launched:

- Navtex Server
- Navtex Inbox

Messages received from Navtex are automatically and continuously processed by the Navtex Server application.

The messages are sorted by type and displayed in the Navtex Inbox application.



Graphical display

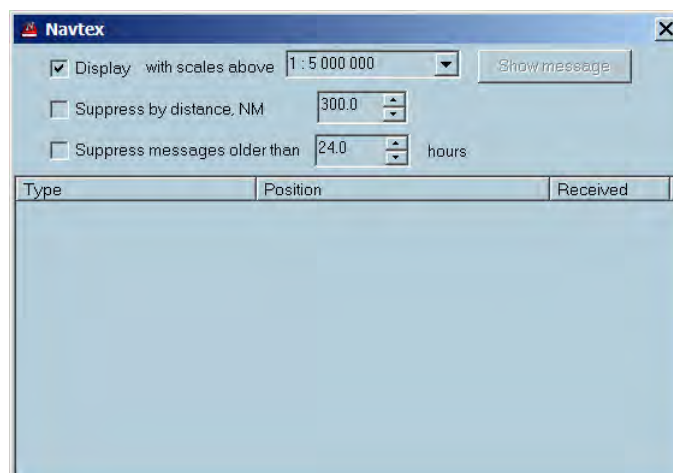
For each geo referenced message, an icon or several linked icons are displayed on the ECDIS charts.

Click the Navtex icon located in the ECDIS900 Alarm panel to access to the Navtex window.

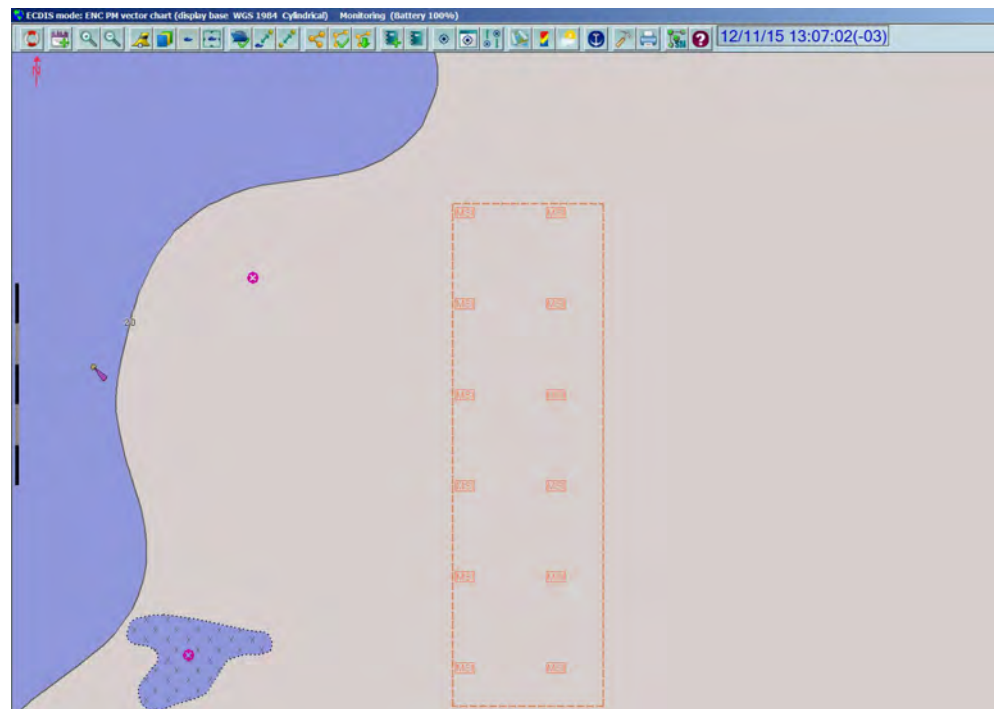
This window lists the messages which are currently displayed on the chart. When the chart is scrolled or zoomed, the content of the window may change.

The display of the messages on the chart is activated by the Display checkbox and controlled by the parameter With scales above.

Set the values for suppressing messages by distance or time.



When NAVTEX is activated, the MSI graphical symbols indicate the messages on the chart. The symbols are displayed when the scale in use is bigger than the selected scale.



To activate the NAVTEX Inbox, right-click on the icon or on the node of the area. The Inbox appears and the message is highlighted.

Access to Navtex message

In the ECDIS900, double-click on the message listed in the window to display the full text message in the application Navtex inbox. Alternatively, select the message and click the "Show message" button.

From the chart, right-click on the icon and activate the menu.

Message status

A message has either read or unread status. A closed envelop icon displayed in front of the message and bold characters shows unread messages.

The Navtex icon in the ECDIS900 is either opened or closed.

A closed icon means that unread Navtex messages exist on the screen. An opened icon means that all messages from the area have been read.

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Editors overview

The ECDIS has been designed by navigators for navigators, to help the user in his everyday tasks to increase the safety of navigation. Therefore, the ECDIS900 provides, in addition to the standard ECDIS functions described in this document, powerful tools allowing the user to work on electronic charts in the same way as on paper charts.

The user may:

- Draw bearing lines, parallel or perpendicular lines and range circles, just as with a pencil, a compass and a ruler on the paper chart.
- Add temporary text information to the chart.
- Maintain the dead reckoning in case of GPS failure by manually plotting D.R. or Radar positions.
- Add user data information to the chart such as wrecks, survey areas, marks etc.
- Manually update the S57 chart database by deleting, moving or adding chart objects.

→ **Note:** The 'Tools Panel' contains different panels depending on the ECDIS configuration: the Editors panel is always present, the Radar panel is available only when the optional Radar Kit is installed.

General tools

General tools refers to both NE and OE objects, while specific tools refers to either NE (those accessible in user's data panel area and dedicated NE) or OE.



- The tool **Select OE objects** allows selecting OE objects.
- The tool **Select NE objects** allows selecting NE objects.
- Then the selection can be moved or deleted.

The tool **Delete selected object** deletes the selection of NE or OE objects.

The tool **Show/Hide objects list** displays the list of objects currently loaded. Double-click on the object to center the chart on the object.

Select the object and press the **Del** key to delete the object.

Selection

A selection is a collection of selected objects of the same type, NE or OE.

To make a selection of NE objects, press the **Select NE object** button, click on the chart and drag the mouse to define a rectangle.

Use the tool **Select OE objects** to select OE objects.

Other methods to select objects

- Select a single object: click on the object.
- Select two or more objects (Selection containing several objects): hold down the Ctrl key and click on each object.
- Activate the menu Select All Object Editor from the menu Edit.
- Activate the menu Select All Navigation Editor from the menu Edit.
- Activate the menu Select All Alarms objects from the menu Edit.

→ **Note:** Selection and locked layer - when an OE object belongs to a locked layer, that particular object is not selectable. For more information about layer see "**Layers**" on page 160.

Move the selection

- Move the cursor over one of the selected points and when the cursor changes to the hand shape, drag the whole selection to the desired position.
- When the cursor changes to the large arrow only the selected point will be moved.

Delete the selection

Select the object(s) and push the 'Delete' button.





Other methods of deleting the selection:

- Press the **Delete** key.
- Select 'Cut' from the Edit menu.
- Select 'Delete all selected' from the Edit menu.

Edit menu

Undo Delete Object	Ctrl+Z
Cut	Ctrl+X
Copy	Ctrl+C
Paste	Ctrl+V
Paste to Position	Shift+V
Delete all selected	Del
Select all Object Editor	
Select all Alarm Objects	
Select all Navigation Editor	
Connect two polylines	
Order	▶
Change to Rhumbline mode	

Undo

Allows most of the actions performed on NE or User's data objects to be undone.

When Undo is not possible, the menu is disabled.

There are up to ten levels of undo, meaning that the ten last functions applied on objects can be cancelled.

→ **Note:** The Undo function is applicable only on NE and OE functions.

Cut/Copy

Delete or Copy the selection and copy it to the clipboard.

Paste

Copy the selection added to the clipboard to the active layer.

With NE objects, the selection is simply copied in the NE layer.

For OE objects, the functions Cut/Copy/Paste are used to copy objects from one layer or one file to another file. See "*Layers*" on page 160.

Paste to position

Select 'Paste to Position': the cursor changes and the selection will be pasted at the mouse click location. This function is equivalent to the move selection action performed with the mouse.

Delete all selected

Delete the Selection.

Select all object editor

Empty the selection and select all OE loaded objects that do not belong to a locked layer.

Select all alarm objects

Empty the selection and select all alarm objects defined by the user.

Select all navigation editor

Empty the selection and select all NE loaded objects.

Connect polylines

Select two polylines, activate the item Connect Polyline: the two lines are then connected.

Order

User's data objects loaded in the ECDIS are displayed with a priority controlled in two different and complementary ways:

Layers order: the files and the layers are displayed in an order defined by the user. See "*Layers*" on page 160.

Inside each OE layer, the user can control the order in which the objects are displayed.

The 'Order' menu item allows changing the priority of the display of the selected object by sending it 'to back', 'to front' or moving it one step forward or backward in the layer's list of objects.

→ **Note:** The Order function is applicable only on the active layer. To change the display priority of objects belonging to another layer, the user must first activate the layer. See "*Layers*" on page 160.

Switching to the rhumbline mode or Switching to the Great circle mode.

Display all lines either in Rhumline mode or in Great Circle.

Navigation Editor

Navigation editor overview

The Navigation editor gives the user the possibility of working with the electronic chart in the same way as with the paper chart:

- Preparation of a harbor arrival or a passage through a dangerous area by adding temporary information on the chart.
- Planning the route more safely by drawing restricted or dangerous zones.
- Manually plotting the position of the ship.



Information and objects plotted with the NE (Navigation Editor) are stored and presented in a special layer called NE layer that is displayed on the top of the electronic chart.

The NE layer contains objects (lines, arcs, chart annotations, current information) that are temporary objects, displayed on the chart until they are deleted.

The ECDIS does not allow the possibility of storing these objects to file and reloading them in the system on request.

The different objects available are:

- "*LOP Function*" on page 150
- "*Arcs*" on page 152
- "*Points*" on page 154
- "*Current Information*" on page 154
- "*Compass*" on page 154
- "*Polylines*" on page 154
- "*Parallel and perpendicular lines*" on page 155
- "*Chart annotation and caution*" on page 156

The Multi-plotting mode allows plotting several objects without having to select the plotting tool for each object (see "*Multi plotting mode*" on page 150).

Multi plotting mode

To plot an object:

1. Select the appropriate tool, Bearing line, Arc, Point...
2. Enter any additional information.
3. Click on the chart.

In the current plotting mode, the plotting tool is deactivated when the object is defined.

To plot other objects of the same type, you must select the same tool for each object.

When the tool is selected with the right button of the mouse it remains active after the object is plotted and other object of the same type can be plotted on the chart without tool selection.

This facility is available for the Arc, Point, Polyline and Chart annotation.

To deselect the tool, click again on the tool button or select another tool.

LOP function

This function is implemented according to **IEC 61174**, and it allows using Lines and Arcs in order to calculate a Fix Position (Using 3 or more Lines or Arcs, or an Estimated Position, using 2 Lines or Arcs).

1. Press the button "LOP/Clearing line" in the Console, Tools, Editor tab.



2. Select "Line of position bearing,degr " for a Line:
 - Enter bearing in degrees
 - Enter LOP label displayed on the map.

Bearing line/Clearing line

Manual LOPs

☒ Line of position bearing, degr: 125

☐ Line of position range, NM: 0.00

☒ LOP label: Wreck1

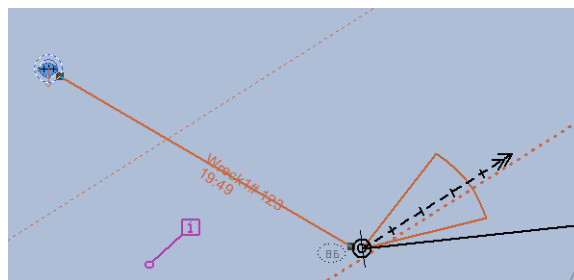
Create EP from radar cursor

Display radar cursor

Create LOP from radar cursor

OK Cancel

3. The cursor will change to a cross "+". Click on the bearing point and drag the mouse as far as necessary. The time Stamp is saved and displayed.



4. Select "Line of position, range,NM " for an arc:
 - Enter range in NM
 - Enter LOP label displayed on the map.

Bearing line/Clearing line

Manual LOPs

☐ Line of position bearing, degr: 0.00

☒ Line of position range, NM: 0.12

☒ LOP label: beacon1

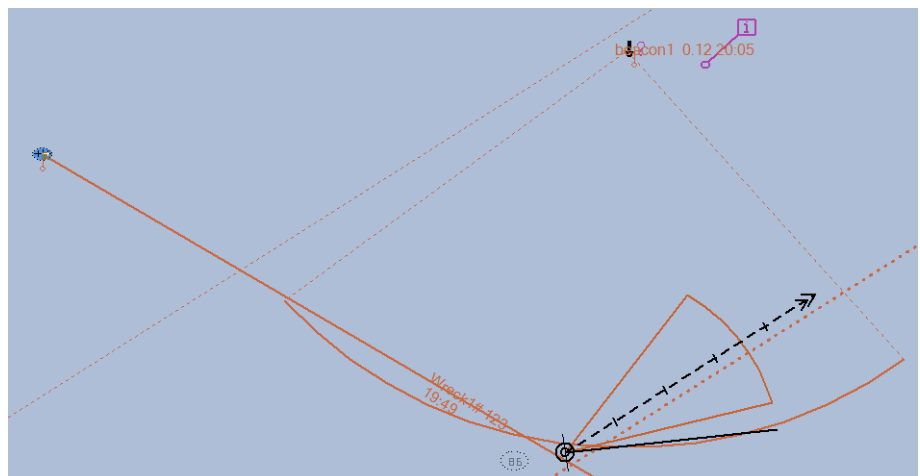
Create EP from radar cursor

Display radar cursor

Create LOP from radar cursor

OK Cancel

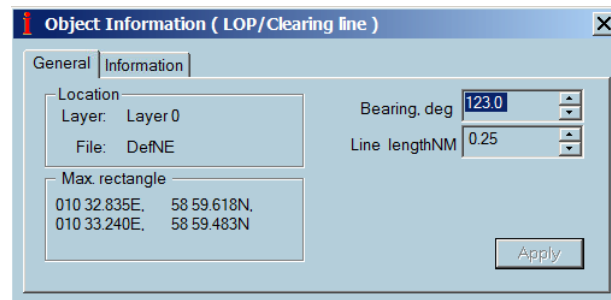
5. The cursor will change to a cross "+". Move the cross on the point center of arc and Click on the position.



Object Modification

It is possible to adjust Lines or Arcs after creation:

- Use the mouse cursor to drag or extend.
- Right-click and open the Properties dialog box, and adjust parameters.

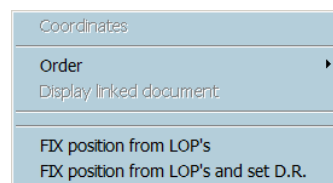


Calculate Position

Select 3 objects (or more) to get a FIX position from LOP.

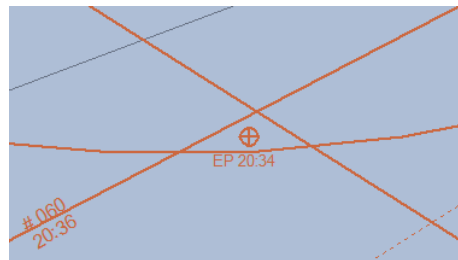
(Use CTRL for multiple selection.)

In this example, 3 lines are used.



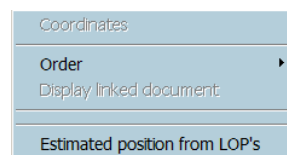
The FIX point is added.

Right-click on Properties to get details.



Select 2 objects (or more) to get a "FIX position from LOP.

In this example, 1 line and 1 arc are used.



Option **Set D.R.**

Create the Fix point and select **D.R.** mode at the same time.

Selecting a bearing line:

- Either left-click on the line, or
- Select the tool Selection with the left button of the mouse, click on the chart and drag the mouse: all NE objects included inside the rectangle are selected.

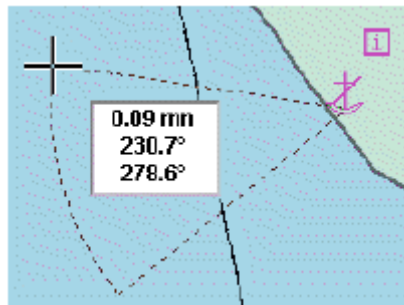
Deleting a bearing line:

- Right-click on the line and activate the menu **Delete All Selected**.
- Select the line and press the **Del** key.
- Select the line and press the **Delete** button.

Arc

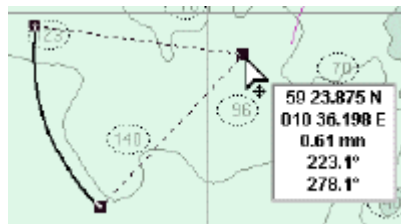
Plotting an arc

1. Press the Arc button, the cursor on the chart changes.
2. Click to plot the center of the arc, drag the mouse and click one time: the origin point of the arc is plotted. Move the mouse in the appropriate direction and click a second time to define the arc extremity.

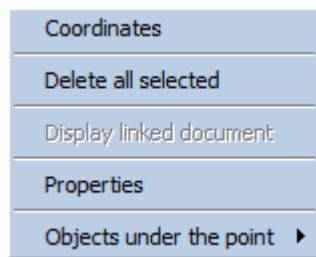


Modifying an arc

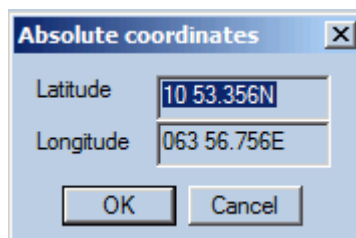
1. Select the arc, click on the center and drag the mouse: the center and the arc are translated.
2. Select the arc, click on one of the arc points and drag the mouse: the arc is modified in range and angle.
3. Right-click on the arc, access the menu Properties and modify position, radius, start or end angle.



4. Right-click on the center, access the menu Absolute Coord and change the position of the point.



5. Right-click on one of the arc point, access the menu Absolute Coord and change the radius, start or end angle.



Deleting an arc

1. Right-click on the arc and activate the menu **Delete All Selected**.
2. Select the arc and press the **Del** key.
3. Select the arc and press the **Delete** button.

Tip: Double-clicking on the tool **Arc** deletes all displayed arcs.

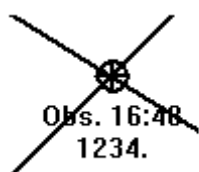
Point

The Point tool allows plotting isolated points on the chart in particular the positions of the ship calculated manually from bearing lines, Radar, Dead reckoning or Astronomical calculations.

→ **Note:** The plotted points are stored in the logbook and therefore displayed / hidden in real time on the chart during the replay of the logbook.

Plotting a point

1. Select the tool **Point** and click on the chart.
2. The ECDIS first tries to find an intersection point under the click between two lines or a line and an arc. Then the coordinates of the plotted point are made equal to the coordinates of the intersection point.
3. If no intersection is found under the click, the coordinates are not adjusted.
4. In the Properties dialog, select the type of point and enter time and log information.



Modifying a point

1. Select the point, click on the point and drag the mouse to the new location.
2. Right-click on that point and open the Properties dialog. Modify the position, type of point, time and log values.



Deleting a point

1. Right-click on the point and activate the menu **Delete All Selected**.
2. Select the point and press the **Del** key.
3. Select the point and press the **Delete** button.

Tip: Double-clicking on the tool **Point** deletes all displayed points.

Current information

1. Select the Current tool.
2. Click on the chart and manually insert on the chart information about the force and direction of the current at the time the ship will pass that point.



Delete Current Information

- Right-click on the current arrow and activate the menu **Delete All Selected**.
- Select the current and press the **Del** key.
- Select the current and press the **Delete** button.

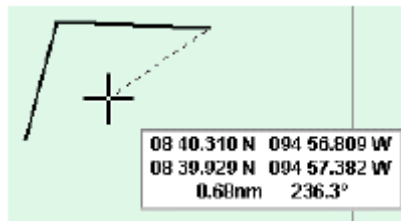
Range and bearing calculation

1. Select the Compass tool to measure distance and bearing between two points.
2. To erase the information on the chart double-click on the button.

Polyline

Plot a line

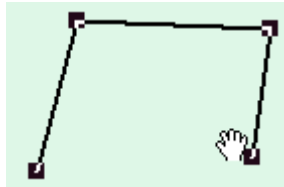
- Select the Polyline tool.
- A double-click ends the line.



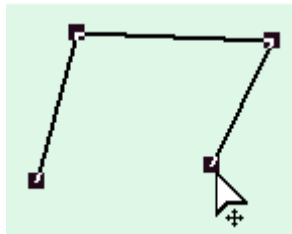
Modifying a line

Select the line and either move the entire line or a point of that line.

- When the cursor has a hand shape, the line is selected and moved according to the mouse movements.



- When the cursor has an arrow icon, the end-point is dragged.



Change by keyboard the coordinates of one point of the line by right clicking the point and selecting Coordinates. You can edit the latitude and longitude in the Absolute coordinates dialog.

Add a point by right clicking at the desired location on the line and selecting Insert Point. Other method: select the line, move the mouse at the desired location on the line and press the keyboard key I.

Delete a point by right clicking the point of the line and selecting Delete Point. Other method: select the line, move the cursor on the desired point of the line and press the keyboard key D.

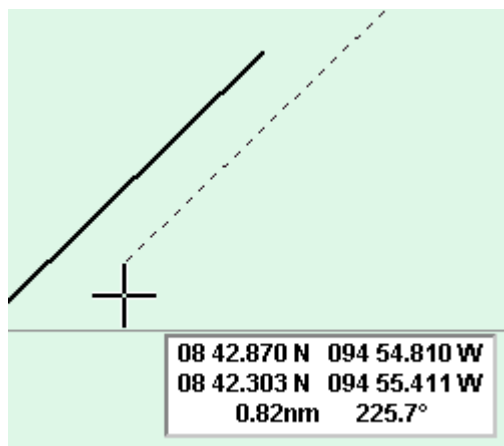
Split the line in two lines by selecting the line, right clicking the point of the line and selecting Cut Point. Other method: select the line, move the cursor on the desired point of the line and press the keyboard key C.

Deleting a polyline

See paragraph Delete an ARC.

Parallel line

1. Press the Parallel line button.
2. Select a bearing line: the button Parallel line is then activated.
3. Select the tool, click and drag the mouse to define the length of the parallel line (control the distance from the selected line with the distance information drawn on the chart).



To modify or delete the line, refer to Bearing line.
Press the Perpendicular line button.
Follow the same procedure as for the parallel line.

Chart annotation

Allows inserting text annotations on the chart.



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→ **Note:** To show the text on the chart toggle on the Display button in the Properties dialog of the Information point.

Deleting Chart Annotation

- Right-click on Chart Annotation and activate the menu **Delete All Selected**.
- Select the Chart Annotation and press the **Del** key.
- Select the Chart Annotation and press the **Delete** button.

Tip: Double-clicking on the Chart Annotation tool deletes all displayed Chart Annotations.

Object Editor

Object editor overview

User data consists of geographical objects such as points, lines, and areas, which are displayed on the chart to enrich it. The Object Editor (OE) allows plotting, importing, manipulating and saving user data.

Data are saved in files that can be loaded or unloaded on request. Each file contains 8 different layers called by default Layer 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7. The user can select in which layer he wants data to be stored.

Each layer may be shown or hidden, locked or unlocked and defined as visible between editable minimum and maximum scales.

This feature is extremely powerful because it gives the user the tools to build up its own user data charts in the same way than vector chart databases are built. For instance, a general layer, visible in small scales, could include synthetic description of objects while a harbor layer could contain the full description of the objects.

Plotting objects

The different available object types are:

- Polyline
- Surface
- Circle
- Arc
- Isolated point

- Text

Select the appropriate Plotting tool.



Place the cursor on the chart at the required position and click.

To end a line or close an area, double-click when plotting the last point or select another tool.

To plot a circle or an arc, click-and-drag the cursor.

New object by keyboard

To create an object by keyboard:

1. Select the object type (Polyline, area...).
2. Move the mouse on the chart area.
3. Press the key "O".
4. Enter the coordinates of the point (s) and object parameters (Radius...)

Multi plotting mode

In a normal plotting mode, the plotting tool is deselected after the object is plotted on the chart.

To be able to plot several objects of the same type without having to activate the same tool each time, select the tool with the right mouse button. Then deselect the tool by selecting another tool or pressing again on the tool button.

Object properties

A newly created object is drawn on the chart with the selected display attributes shown in the bar.



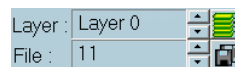
Choose different default display settings by clicking on the appropriate button, Line type or width for the lines or icon type for the isolated point.

In the same way change the display characteristics of a selected object by choosing different display attributes after the object has been selected.

Control the display priority amidst the objects of a same layer with the Order menu.

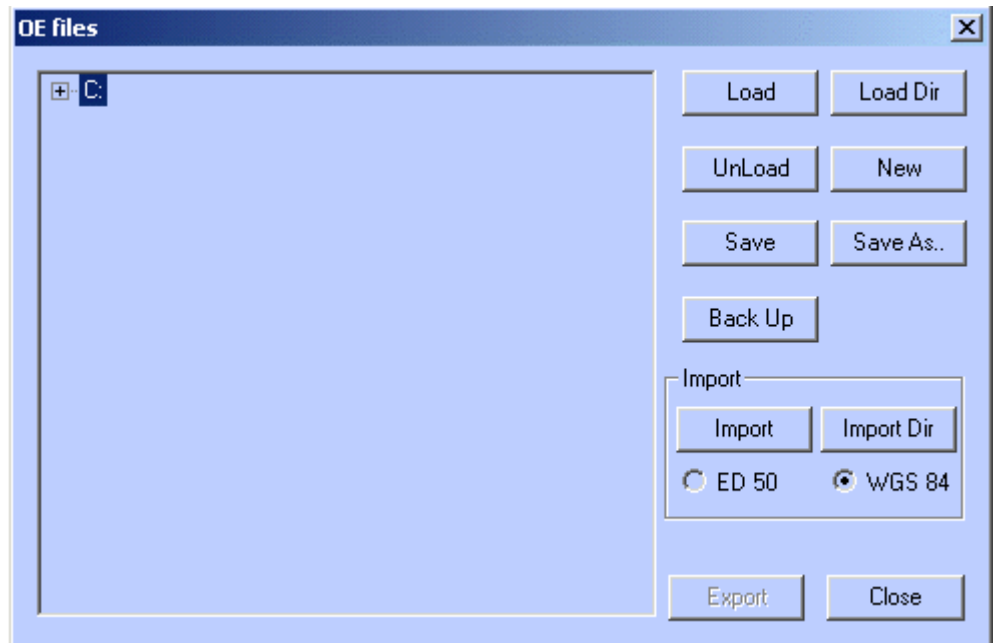
Files

Data that are plotted on the chart are stored in the active layer of the active file: the active layer and file names are displayed on the top of the OE area.



By default, the user data are saved in a layer called Layer 0, in a file called Untitled, but the user can select, at any time, other active file and layer with the files and layers management dialogs activated by the 'Copy' and 'Layers' buttons.

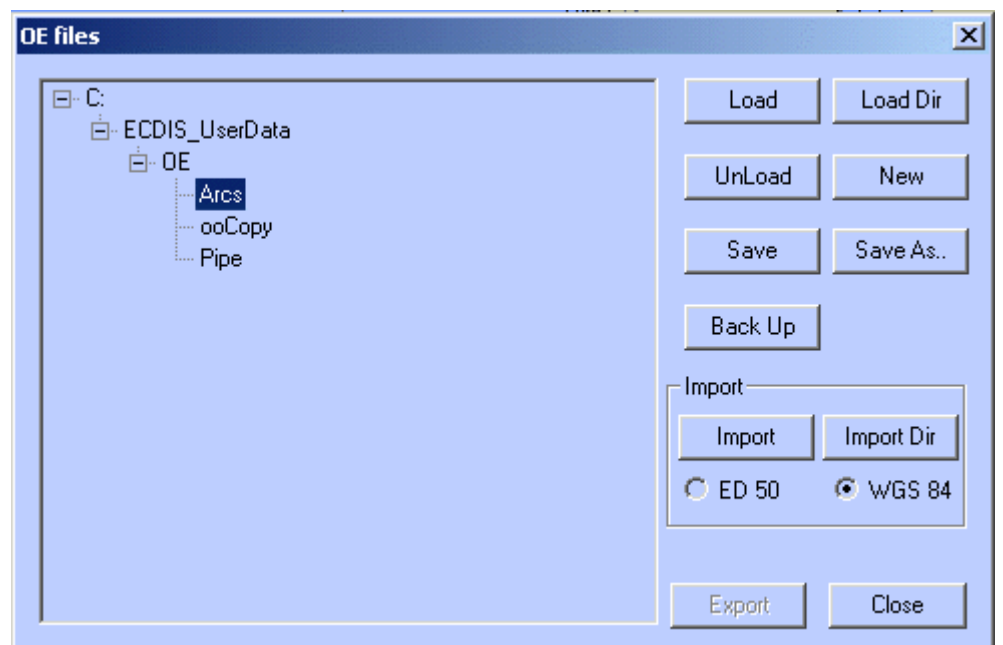
The file management system allows selecting the active file, to load or unload a file or a set of files, to save or save as the files, to create a new file and to back up loaded files on floppy disk. Import allows converting files with specific format.



Active file

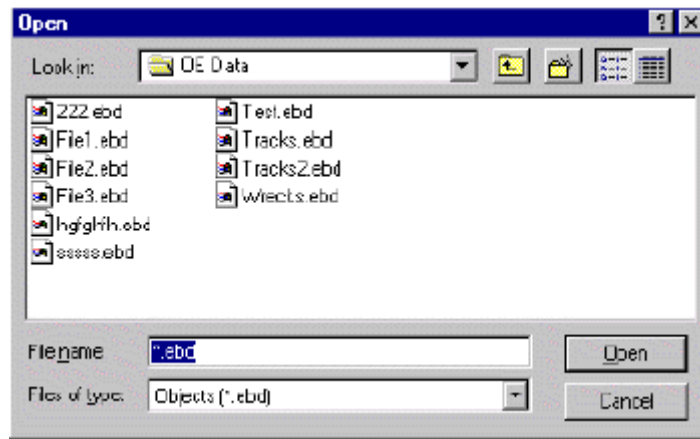
There are three ways of selecting a new active file:

- To activate a file that is already loaded in the system, use the small arrows next to the file name until the right file's name is displayed.
- To activate a file that is not loaded, press the 'Copy' button, access to the file selection dialog, press the load button and select the file to be loaded: the selected file read from the hard disk will become the active file.
- To activate a file that is already loaded in the system, press the 'Copy' button, access to the file selection dialog and double-click on the file's name.

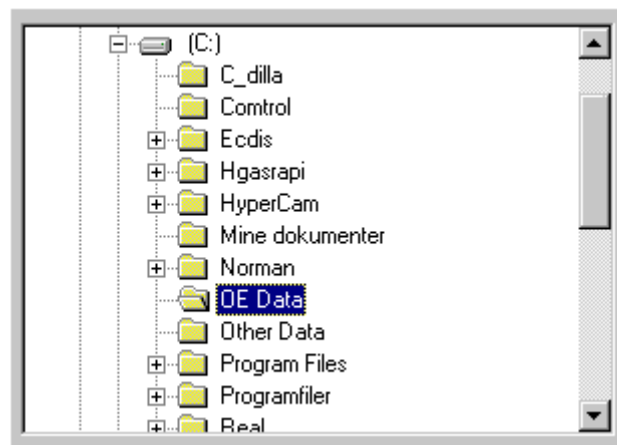


Load/Unload files

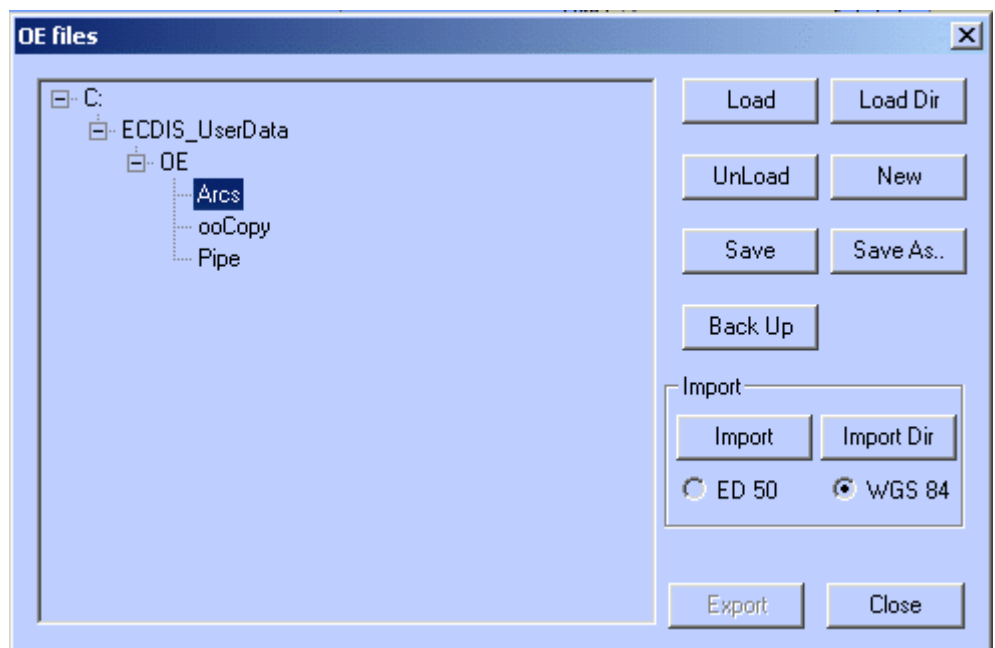
- To load a file, push the Load button and select the file name in the appropriate folder.



- To load simultaneously several files stored in the same folder, push the Load Dir button and select the folder containing all files.



- To unload a file or a set of files belonging to the same directory, select a file or a directory name and press Unload. The file or all files contained in the selected directory will be unloaded.



Save files

When a file is modified it is not automatically saved on the hard disk. To save the modifications, activate the file management dialog, select the file and press **Save** or **Save As** to save the file with a different name.

→ **Note:** When a directory is selected, all files of that directory are saved. The **Save As** function is not applicable on directories.

Create a new file

Press the button New to create a new empty file. By default this file is called Untitled and contains eight layers called Layer 0,..., Layer 7.

Untitled is a reserved name and the file Untitled cannot be saved with that name. A new name has to be entered to store the newly created untitled file on the hard disk.

Back up files

To back up files on a memory stick, select a file's or a directory's name and press Back Up. The file or all files contained in the selected directory will be copied on the memory stick.

Import file

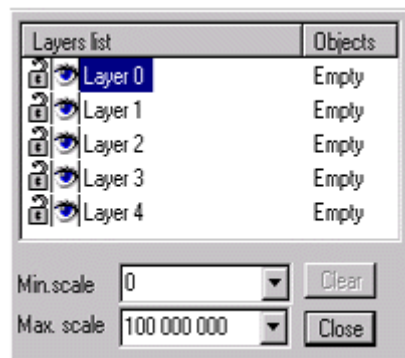
The ECDIS can convert different types of files with proprietary format and display the data as object editor data.

The ECDIS is compatible with Statoil data stored in files with extension .xy (pipelines), .dat (Platforms) and .txt (Fixtar).

Layers

Each file contains 8 layers and the user selects the layer to store its data in.

Each layer has a display priority and the layer list controls the order in which the layers are displayed: the first layer of the list is displayed first.



Each layer's name can be changed and the order in which the layers are displayed can be adjusted. Moreover, each layer can be locked or unlocked, shown or hidden, and minimum / maximum scales can be edited, meaning that the layer is displayed only when the chart scale is comprised between these two scales.

User's data can be copied and pasted from one layer to another.

Layer's name

Changing the name of the layer is done by clicking on the name once and entering the new name.

Layer Display Priority

In the list, the layer "General" is displayed first, "Approaches" in second etc.

To modify the display priority, select a layer name and drag it up or down the list.

Lock/Unlock

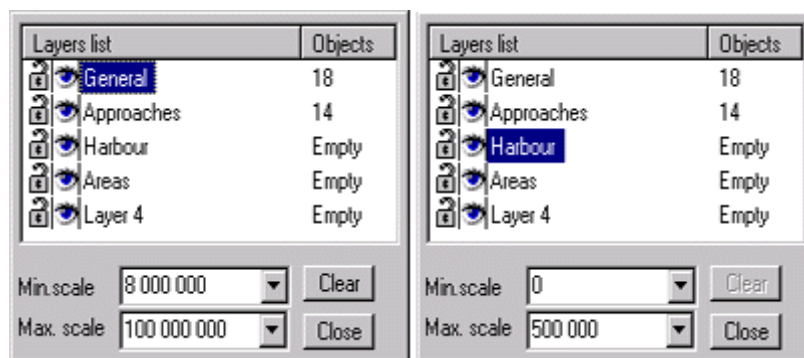
Click the lock icon on the left side of the list to lock the layer. After the object is locked it cannot be edited.

Show/Hide

Click on the eye icon on the left side of the list to hide the locked layer. The layer is then made invisible and locked.

Minimum/Maximum scales

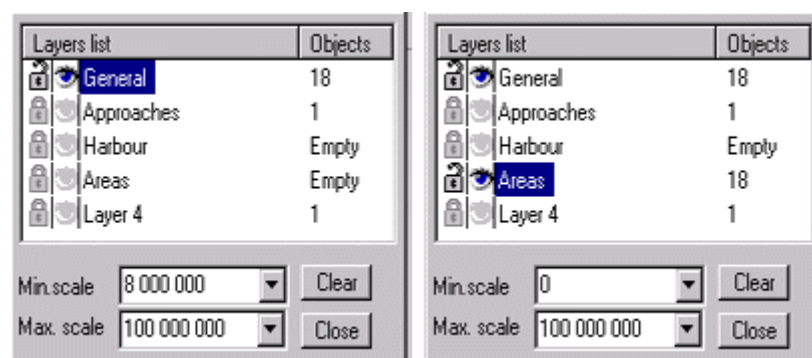
In the pictures below, the layer General is visible when the chart scale is comprised between 1 / 100 000 000 and 1 / 8 000 000, and the layer Harbor when the scale is bigger than 1/ 500 000.



→ **Note:** When the chart scale is not within the scale limits of the active layer it is impossible to plot any object on the chart. For instance, if the current chart scale is 1/1 000 plotting a point in the layer Harbor is impossible. Therefore, to be able to plot a point, change the chart scale or the active layer.

Copy/Paste

To copy objects from one layer to another, make a selection of objects (eventually hide other layers to make the selection easier as done in the picture below), select Copy from the Edit menu, activate the destination layer and Paste the item.



Clear

Select a layer and press the Clear button: all objects of that layer will be deleted.

Display attributes

A newly created object is drawn on the chart with the selected display attributes shown in the bar.



Choose different default display settings by clicking on the appropriate button, Line type or width for the lines or icon type for the isolated point.

In the same way, change the display characteristics of a selected object by choosing different display attributes after the object has been selected.

Control the display priority amidst the objects of a same layer from the Order menu.

Colors

In the color dialog, left-click on the desired color to set the color for the lines, and right-click for the color of the filling patterns (area, circle or arc).

Line Width

From the Line Width menu, select the line width for both lines and areas.

Line Type

From the Line Type menu, select the line type (plain, dotted etc.) for both lines and areas.

Pattern

From the Pattern menu. select the pattern to be used to fill up areas, circles or arcs.

Icon

Left-click and select from the list the standard icons to be used for isolated point.

→ **Note:** Right clicking displays the list of official S57 icons making it possible to manually update the chart.

Character style

Select the character type, style and size to be used for the free text displayed on the chart.

Modifying display attributes

A newly created object is displayed with the current display settings, color, line width or icon type.

To change the way an object is drawn and change its display attributes:

- Select the object.
- Select other display attributes with the setting tools.

For example:

- To change an isolated point icon, select the point and choose another icon from the icon list.
- To change the filling color of a circle, select the circle, click the color setting button and choose the new color using the appropriate button.

Display priority

The objects of the same layer are drawn in the order in which they have been created.

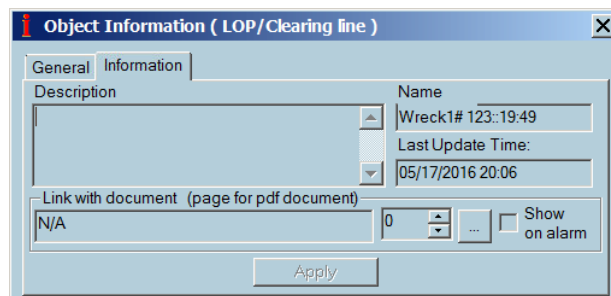
However, the display priority between two objects can be modified: for example, when a plain colored area is plotted after an isolated point, it hides the isolated point. To make it visible, select the area, right-click on that area, activate the Order menu and select the **To Back** option.

The **To Back** option sends the object to the end of the object list of the layer. The **Back One** option moves the item back one step in the object list.



Properties

Each OE object has different attributes depending on its type and there are represented in the properties dialog.



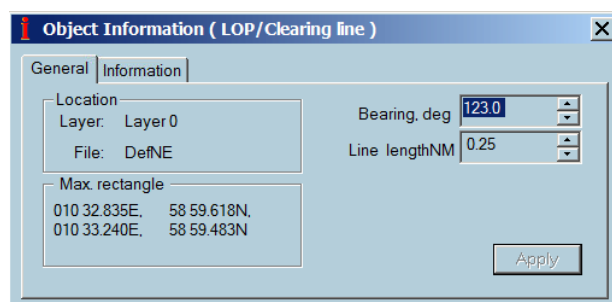
Access the **Properties** dialog by clicking right button on the object.

Enter or consult free text information concerning the object in the information panel.

→ **Note:** When description field is filled in, the information is displayed on the chart in a prompt window when the cursor is located on top of the object.

Edit object attributes in the General tab. The attributes depend on the object type.

An example of circle properties: the position of the center and the radius are editable.



Link with additional information

An object can be linked with a file containing text, picture, video but also PDF file.

In object properties dialog select the file linked with the object.

The information contained in the file is be presented in the application used to create the file. For example a PDF file will require Acrobat Reader to be installed on the hard disk to be able to display the information.

The file can be displayed in two different ways:

- Manual: right-clicking on the object and select the item menu **Display linked document** (name of the document).
- Automatic: set the **Show on alarm** attribute on, and the object triggers a user alarm.

Modifying objects

Each OE object loaded in memory can be selected, deleted and moved to another position.

- A new point can be added to a line or to an area.
- A point of a line or surface can be deleted or moved.
- A line can be closed and transformed in an area or cut in two pieces.
- Two lines can be connected.

→ **Note:** All modifications applied on objects as described below can be cancelled with the item Undo from the menu Edit. See *"Edit menu"* on page 149.

Selecting objects

- Select a single object: click on the object or on one of its edges.
- Select two or more objects (Selection containing several objects): hold down the Ctrl key and click on each object.
- Activate the menu Select All OE from the menu Edit.
- Use the tool "Select OE objects" to select OE objects.

→ **Note:** Selection and locked layer - when an object belongs to a locked layer, that particular object is not selectable. For more information about layer see *"Layers"* on page 160.

Delete objects

Select an object and push the button. If several objects are selected, the entire selection is deleted.

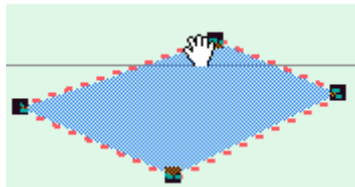
Other methods to delete a selection of objects:

- Press the Del key.
- Activate the item 'Cut ' from the menu Edit.
- Activate the item 'Delete all selected' from the menu Edit.

Modify position

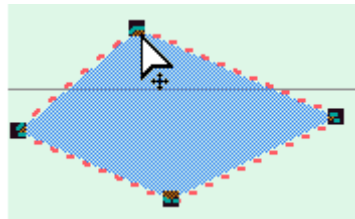
Object location

To change the object's position on the chart, select it, move the cursor on that object near a selected point and when the cursor has a hand shape click and drag the object.

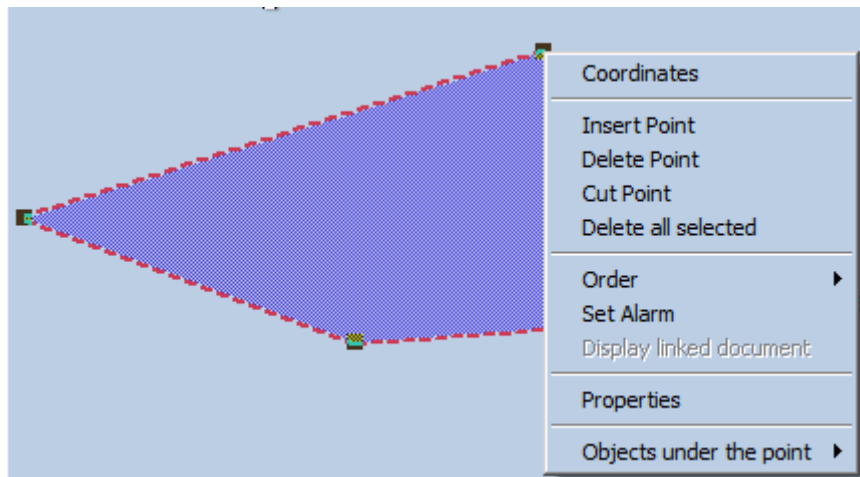


Point's coordinates

When the cursor has the following shape the point under the click will be moved and then the object shape modified.



To modify the coordinates of a point by keyboard, select the object, click on that point and select Coordinates. Modify the coordinates from the Absolute Coordinates dialog.



→ **Note:** The dialog **Absolute Coordinates** does not allow modifying the position of the center of a circle. To modify it by keyboard, access the **Properties** dialog of the circle and enter the new position.

Other operations

Insert a point in a line or an area

Right-click on the line / area at the desired location and activate the item 'Insert Point'.

Another method:

Select the line / area, move the mouse at the desired location on the line / area and press the keyboard key I.

Delete a point in a line or an area

Right-click on the line / area on the point and activate the item 'Delete Point'.

Another method:

Select the line or the area, move the cursor on the point and press the keyboard key D.

Cut a line in two

Right-click on the line / area on the point and activate the item 'Cut Point'.

Another method:

Select the line or the area, move the cursor on the point and press the keyboard key C.

Close a line

Activating the item Close Polyline from the menu Edit on a selected line transforms the polyline in a surface.

Connect two polylines

Select two polylines and activate the item Connect two polylines from the menu Edit to join the two lines.

S57 manual update editor

The ECDIS supports the automatic updating of S 57 data as described above, but also allows the data to be manually corrected. The change can be visualized and does not restrict the ability of automatic updating.

There are three different ways of changing objects by manual updating:

- Deleting and annotating objects
- Modifying objects
- Inserting objects

All manual updates applied in the cell are stored in a log file and can be review on request.

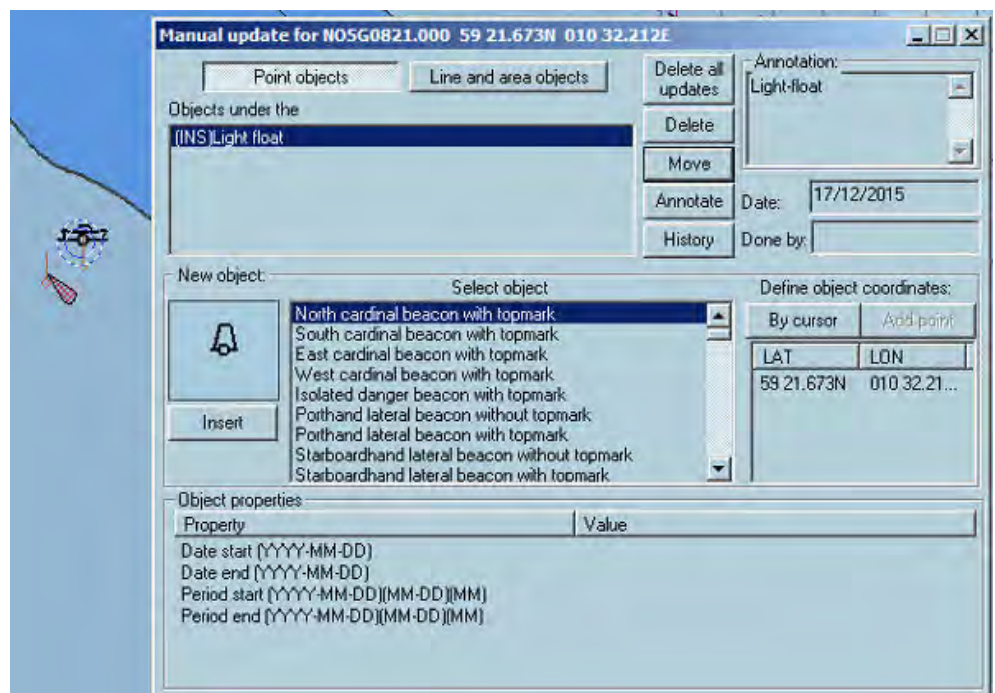
In the ECDIS900, the modification of objects is limited to adding text information or moving objects. The latter is implemented as deleting the object and afterward inserting a copy.

The ECDIS provides functions to cancel or withdraw manual updates and to query objects, which have been inserted by manual updates.

A manual update always has an effect on one particular cell only. This cell has to be assigned to the view.

Select objects

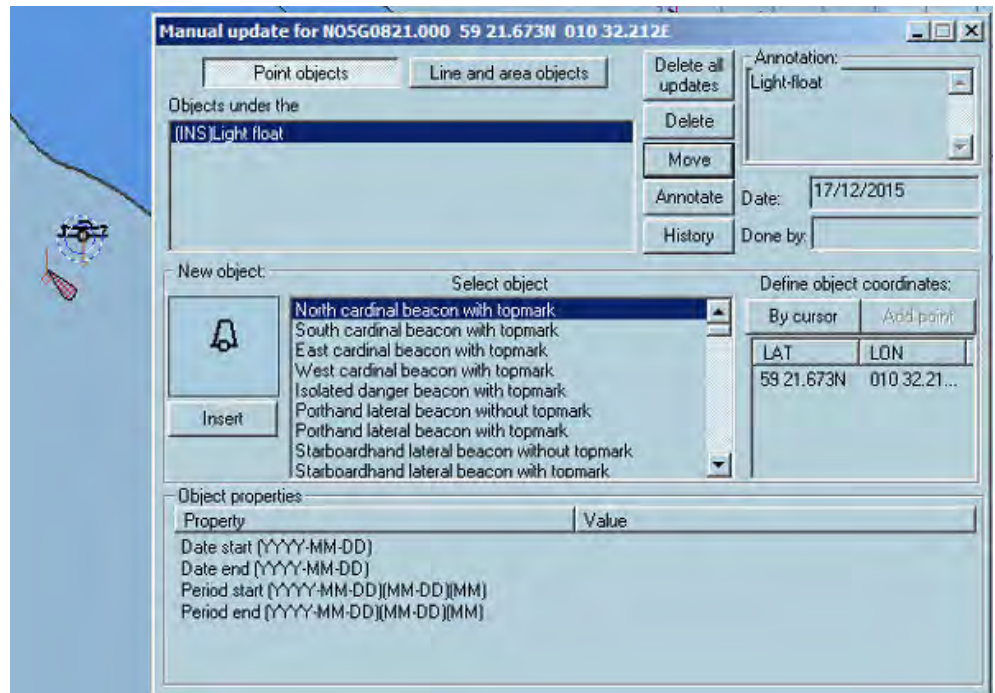
1. Right-click on the object and activate the menu **Manual update**. The selected object is highlighted on the chart.
2. Select the type of object to be selected under the click: point or line area.



Delete and annotate objects

To delete an object in the sense of manual update:

1. Select the object.
2. To delete only one component, select the element of the object and press **Delete**. A deleted object is highlighted on the chart as shown in the picture.



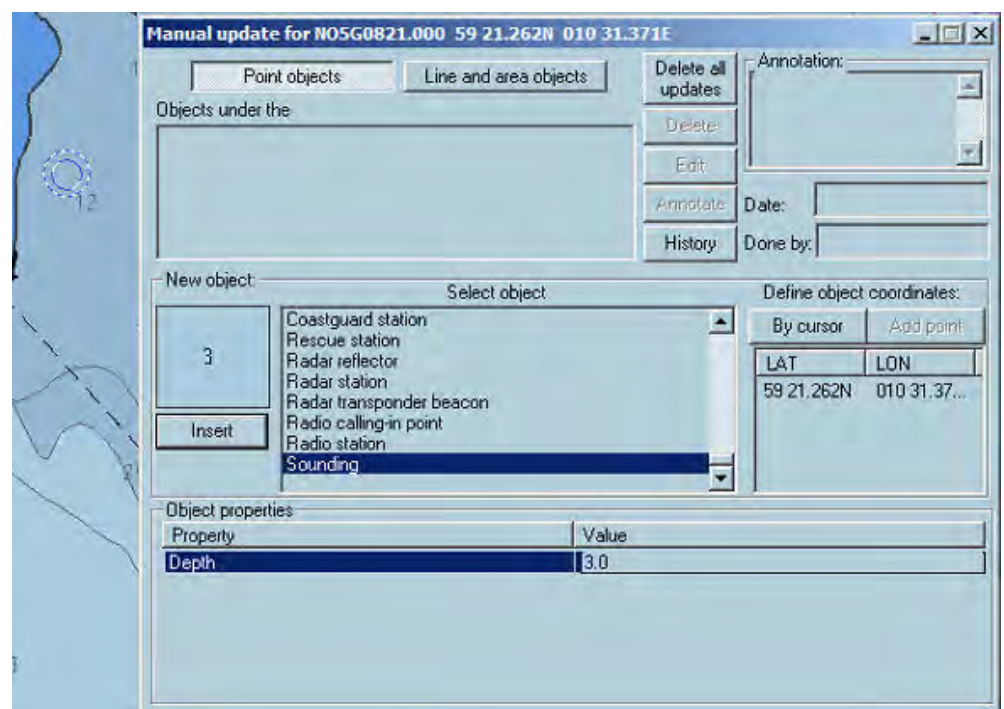
To annotate an object, i.e. to add text information to the object:

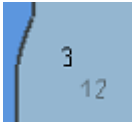
- Select the object and one component.
- Enter the text and press the button **Annotate**.

Insert object

Insert point objects

1. Right-click on the chart at the appropriate position and activate the menu **Manual update**.
2. Select the object type: point object.
3. Select the type of point object you want to insert.
4. Set the date values if it is necessary.
5. Adjust by keyboard the coordinates of the point and press **Insert**.

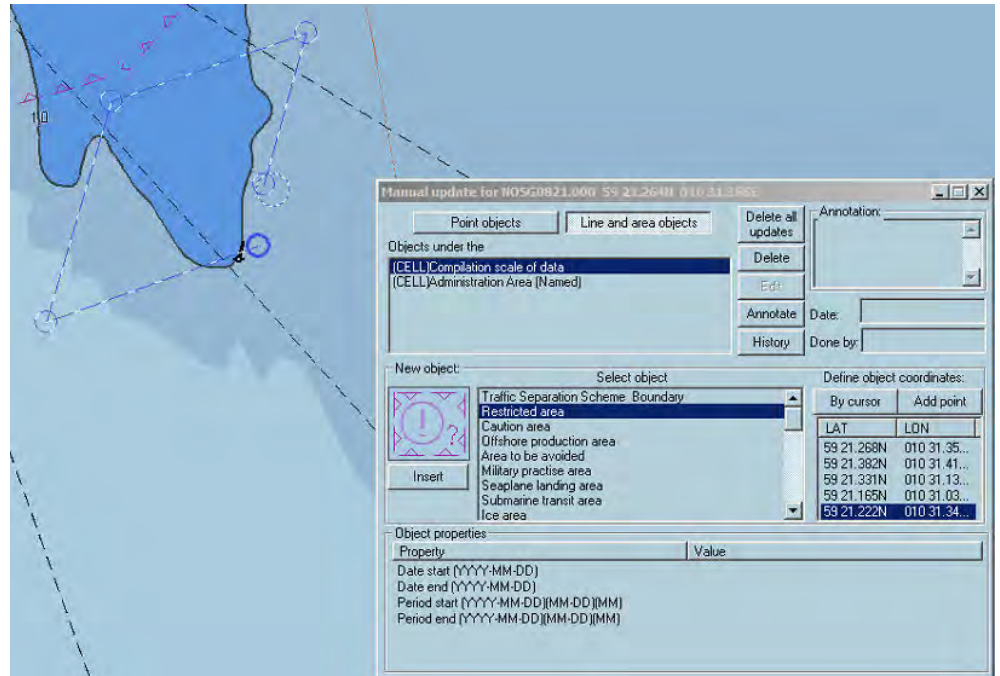




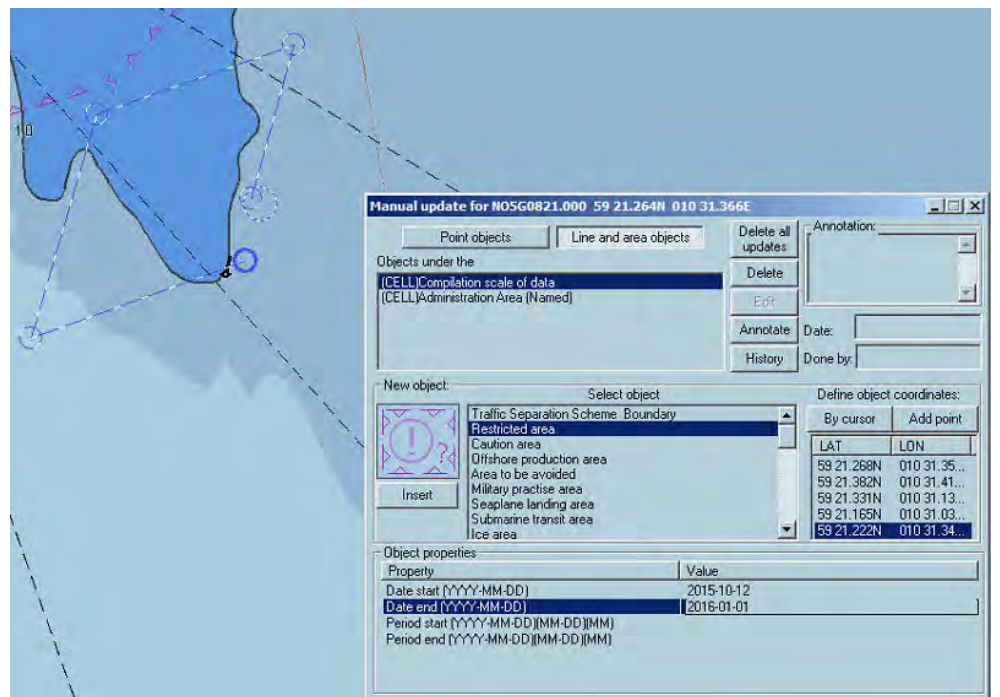
→ **Note:** The sounding object is visible only with proper chart settings.

Insert/Line area objects

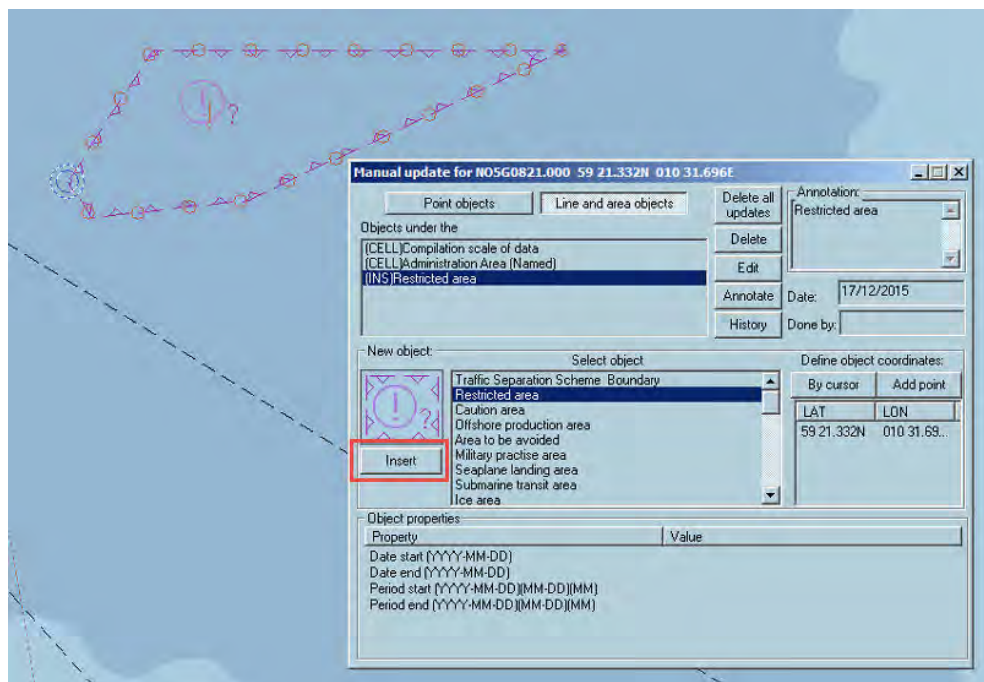
1. Right-click on the chart at the appropriate position and activate the menu **Manual update**.
2. Select the object type: Line/area objects.
3. Select the type of line or area object you want to insert.
4. Insert the list of coordinates of the line or area points or make the area by cursor.



5. Set the date values if necessary.



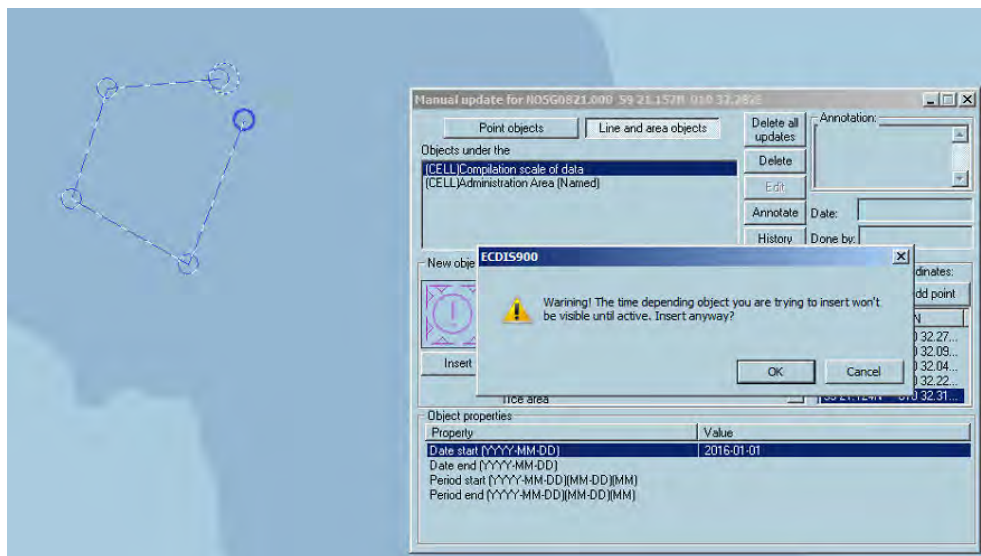
6. Press **Insert**.



Set the future start date

It is possible to insert areas that will be activated in future. It means that the start date is later than the date when the object is created.

1. Create the area following the standard procedure.
2. The alert is displayed.



3. Click OK.

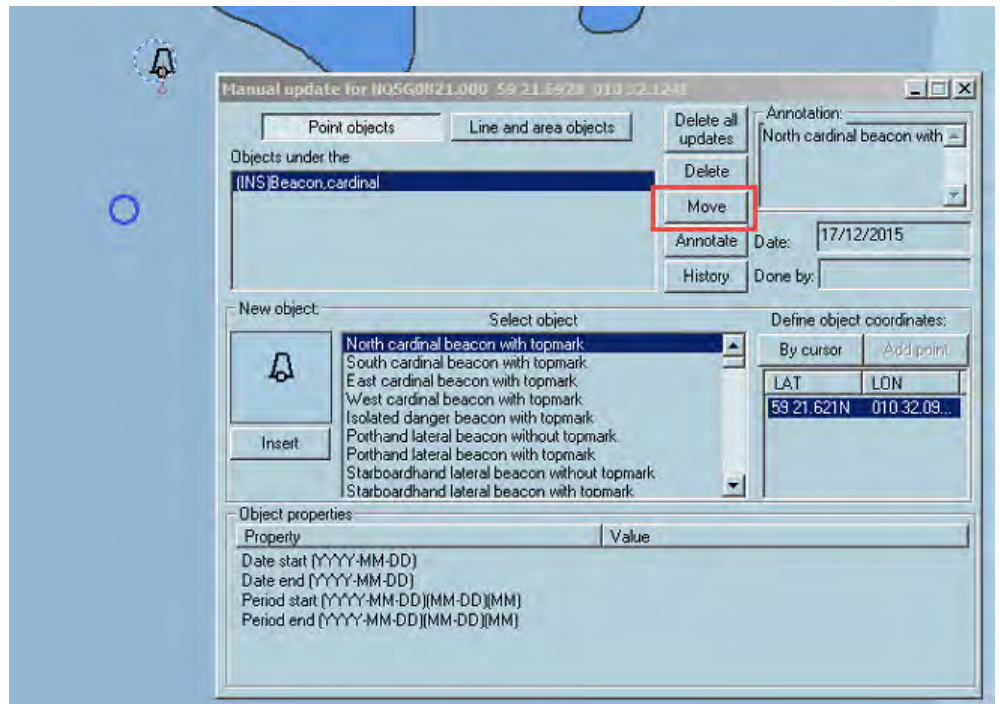
→ **Note:** The object will appear in time. Before the starting date it stays invisible, but it is in the cell properties.

Move object - Remove updates

Move point objects

1. Right-click on the object.
2. Activate the menu **Manual update**.
3. Select the object type: point object.
4. Select one component of the object.
5. - Double-click on the point coordinates and the new ones in the Select point position dialog.

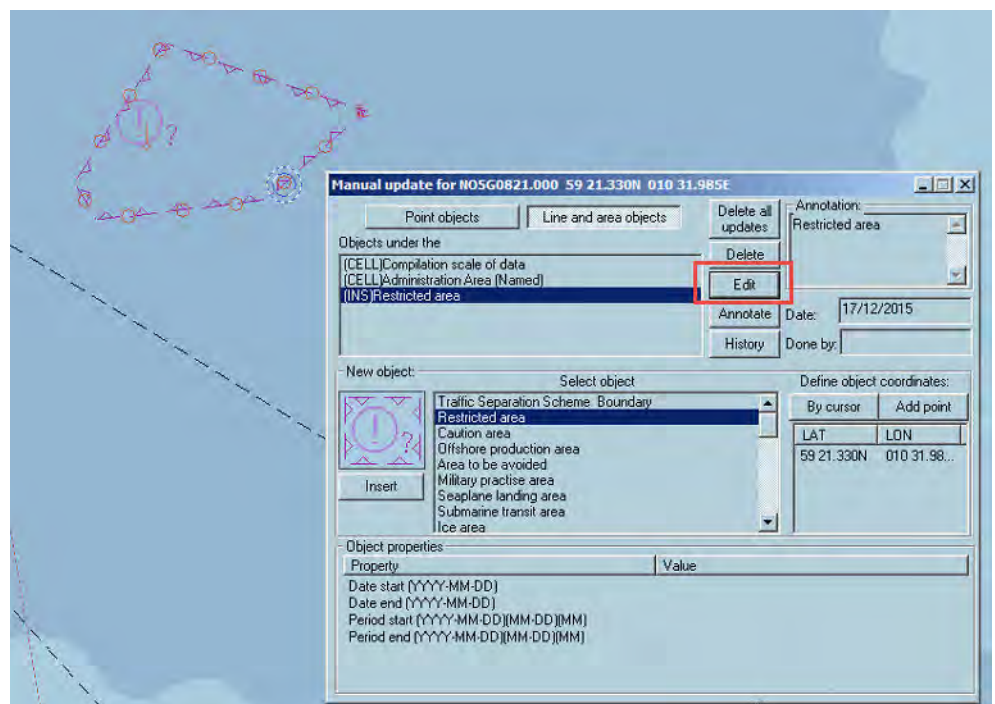
- Click the By cursor button and set the new position with the mouse.
- 6. The blue circle indicates the new position.
- 7. Press **Move**.
- 8. Repeat the operation for all components



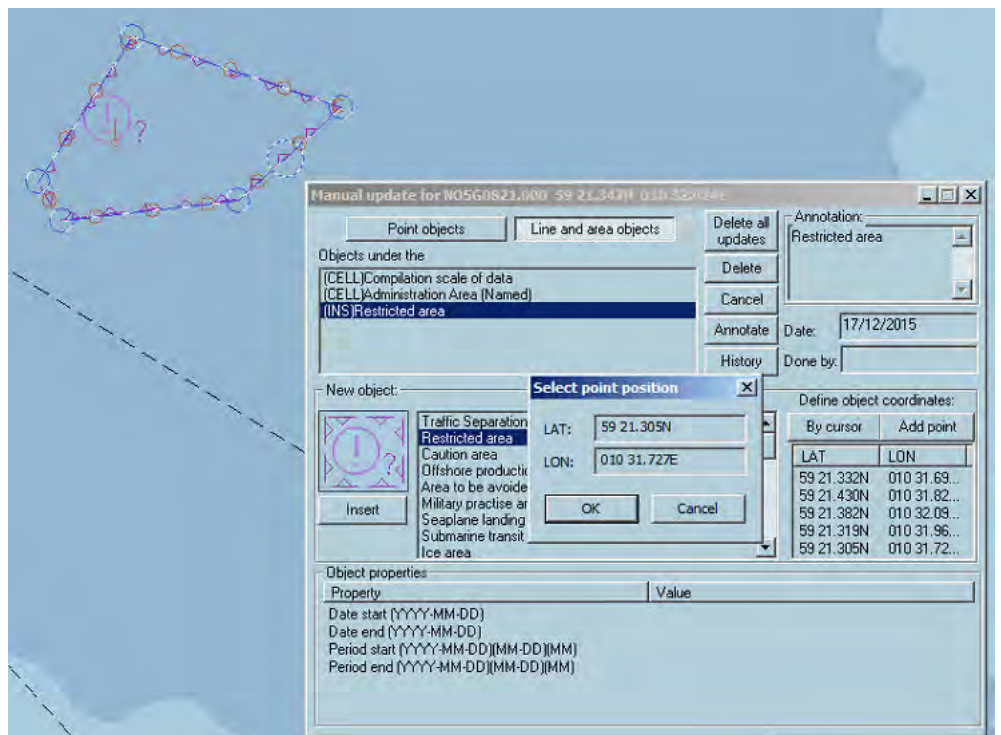
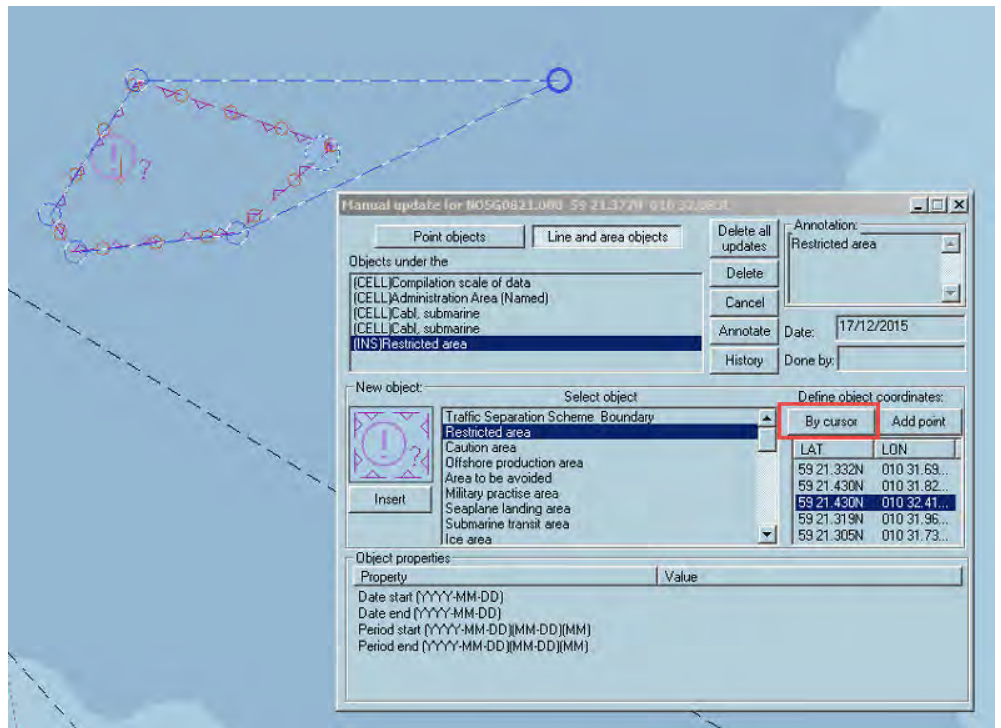
Edit area object

The Manual updates dialog allows area objects modification.

1. Right-click on the area and activate the Manual updates dialog.
2. Select the inserted object from the list and press **Edit**.



3. Select a point to be moved.
4. - Move the selected point using mouse.
- Move the selected point using keyboard.



5. Press **Enter**.

Removing Manual Updates

Manual updates of all types can be removed with the function "Delete all updates" available in the manual update window.

→ **Note:** The function is applicable only on the loaded cells.

Update history

Press the History button to get the list of all manual updates applied to the cells.

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Predictor

Predictor and Docking functions are activated from the ECDIS toolbar.

The Predictor functionality in ECDIS900 displays a future position and a historical position of the ship. These positions are calculated based on former ship data and applying some user defined settings. The Predictor is a navigation aid to be used for continuous dynamic ship's position prediction within 15 – 60 secs.

The predictor calculations are based on a vector prediction algorithm that uses the latest historical data: ship's position, speed over ground, course over ground and heading. Rate of turn and ROT acceleration are calculated from historical values and are used to predict ROT and heading.

The user has to enter proper ship parameters and settings for an accurate calculation.

To run the function, an interface to GPS and Gyro must be available.

→ **Note:** The heading input value should contain at least one decimal.

To activate the function, press the Target prediction button and toggle the checkbox **Use vector predictor** ON.

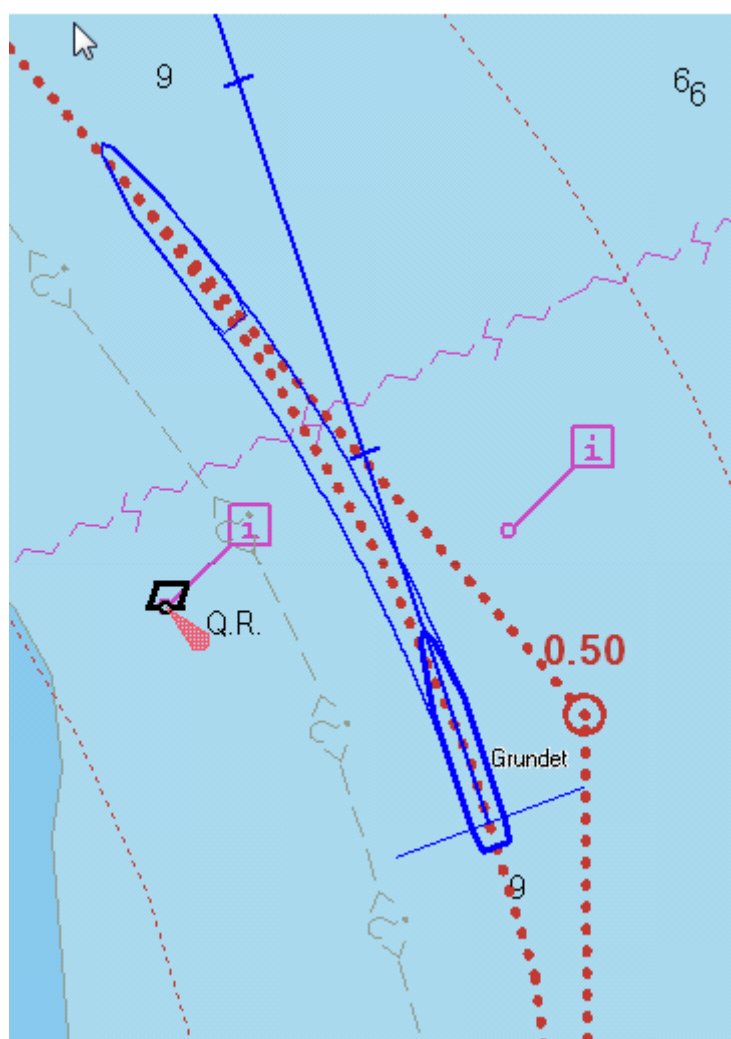
The active leg window available in the console area allows the user to control the position of the ship against the active route.

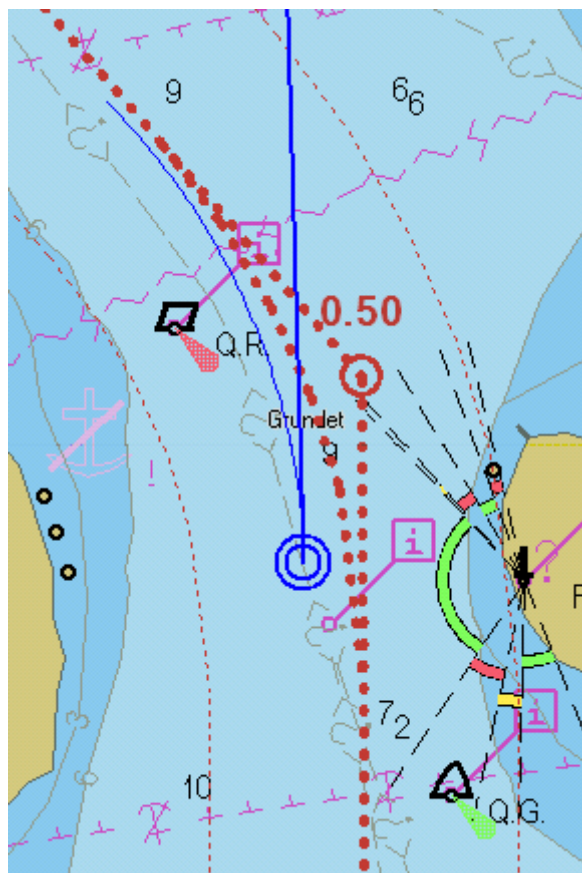


Principle

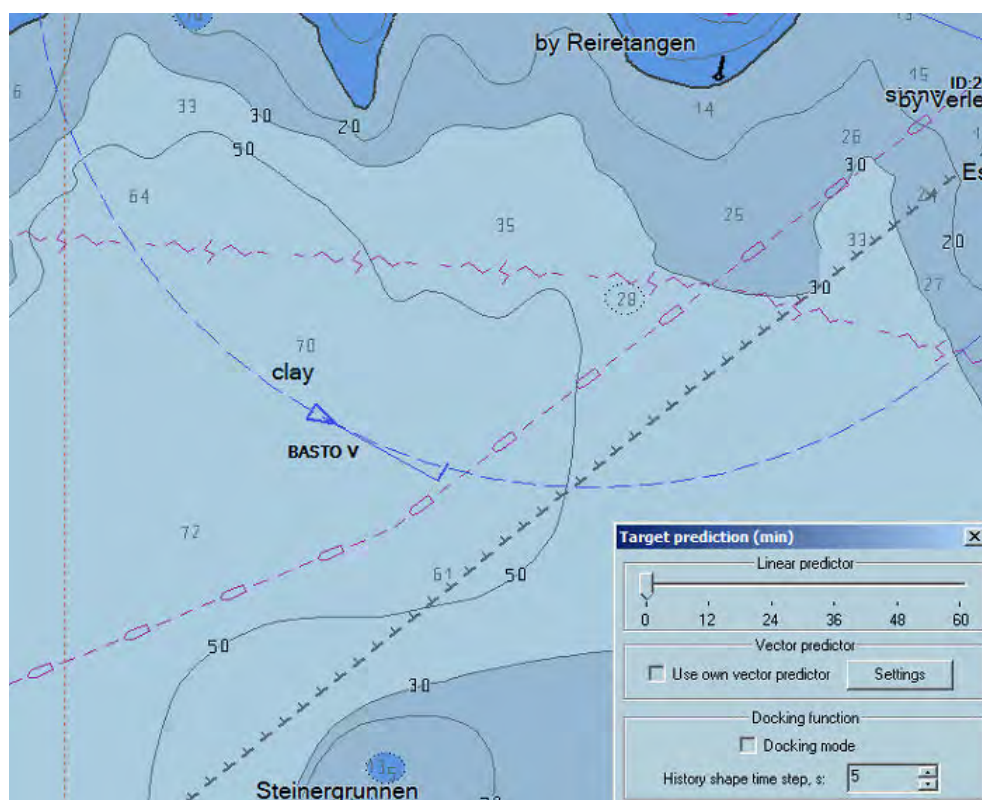
To be able to calculate the future position, ECDIS must be connected to GPS, gyro and log.

Depending from the chart scale the Predictor displays either prediction corridor (ship shape is displayed), either prediction line (ship icon is displayed).





AIS target tracks calculation includes the rate of turn.



Docking

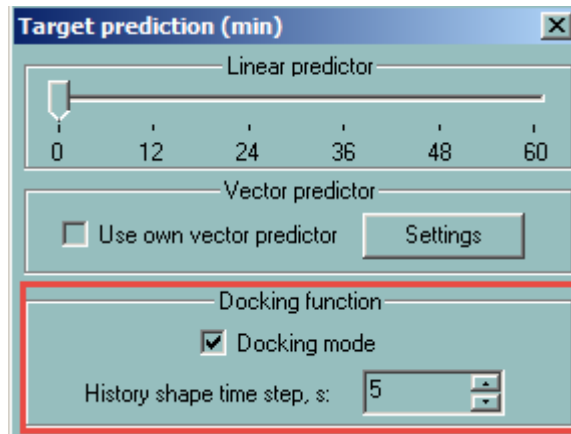
→ **Note:** The Docking mode is available for speed lower than 6 kn.

To use the docking mode, follow these steps:

1. Click the Target prediction button.



2. Tick on the docking mode.

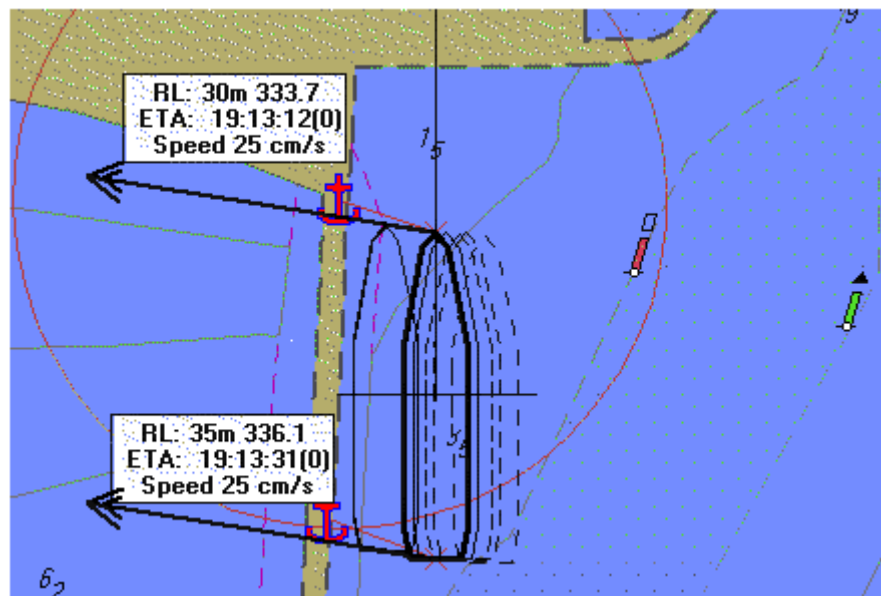


3. Right-click on the Ship to bearing button.
4. Create the first anchoring point attached to the bow.
5. Create the second anchoring point attached to the stern, taking into account that the circle radius is equal to the vessel length.



When operating the Docking mode, the following data is displayed:

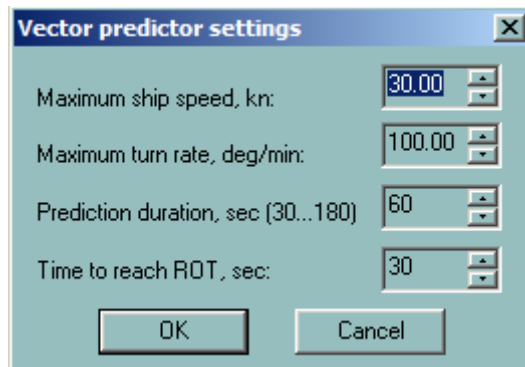
- Distance to anchoring point and speed for both bow and stern.
- 4 historical positions (step adjustable from 3 to 15 seconds).
- Predicted position.
- For each anchoring point, course, distance and speed (cm/s) are displayed.
- 2 speed vectors are displayed from bow and stern.



Settings

The following user defined settings are used during the calculation:

- Maximum ship speed: limit used in the calculation
- Maximum turn rate: limit used in turn rate calculation
- Prediction duration: ship symbol plot interval
- Time to reach ROT: sets limit to turn rate acceleration in the calculations. After rudder change, the ship starts turning, and ROT accelerates till constant ROT is reached. (Time to reach ROT = 0 means that using turn rate acceleration in the calculations is disabled)



Historical values (heading, position and speed) are continuously recorded and processed:

- ROT value is calculated from historical values of the heading
- Acceleration of the ROT is calculated from the same set of values
- Acceleration of the speed is calculated from STW values.
- The PP (Pivot point) of the ship is calculated from GPS positions, speed and heading values
- The future positions are calculated by iteration (every second) as follow:
 - Last position
 - Last heading, ROT and speed
 - Time interval
- The new position of the PP is calculated from the above values, and the ship's orientation is displayed according to the new heading (Last heading received + ROT applied for the time interval within the limit of ROT and time to reach the ROT).

Active leg window

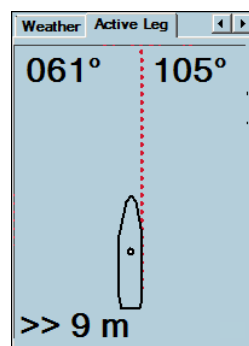
This option is designed to help mariners during navigation in narrow waters, where precise following along the planned route is essential.

The ship's shape is displayed in the middle of the window together with the active leg and turning curves using a scale from 3500 – 10000 depending on the ship's dimensions.

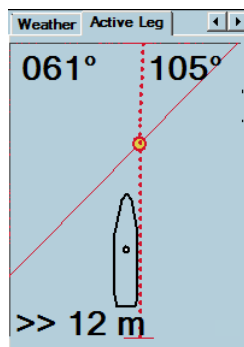
The picture is leg bearing oriented. In the top left and right corners of the window, current leg bearing and next leg bearing are displayed.

In the bottom part of the window, XTD value is displayed. An indicator is displaying the direction where to go following the exact route.

In case of ship turning, this value is calculated for the end of turn showing how far away from the leg the ship will end its turn for the next leg.



Moving along the leg



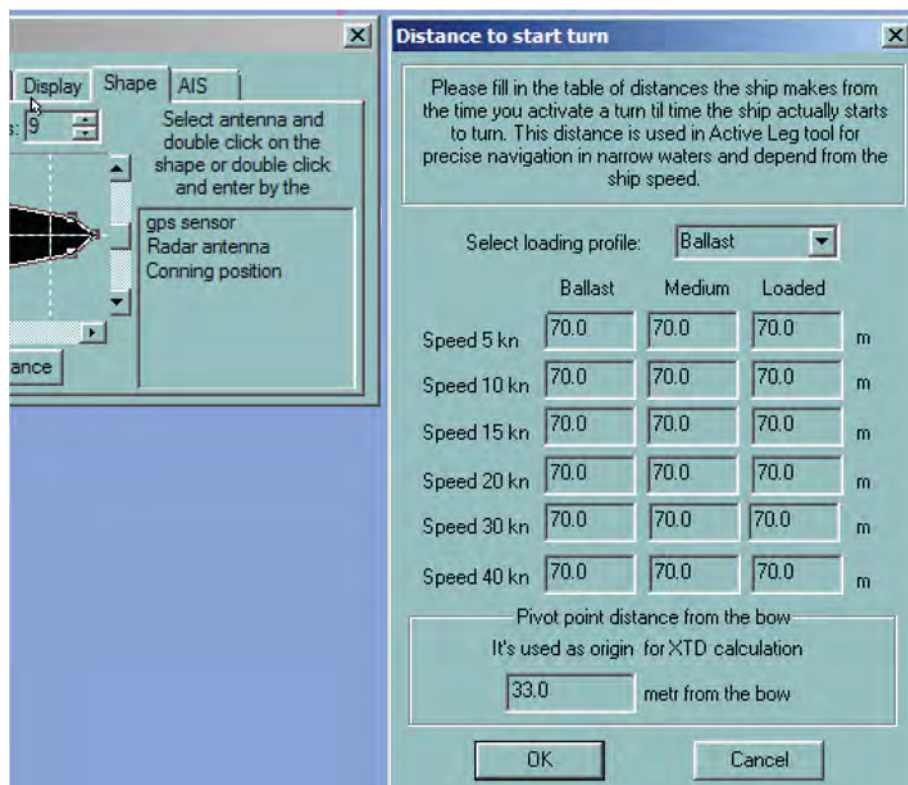
Approaching turning point.

The tool is designed to help the user decide when to start turning, to be able to follow exactly the active route.

It takes into account the distance the ship makes from the time the navigator activates a turn until the time the ship actually starts to turn. Those values can be adjusted in the dialog

Distance to start turn.

To access the settings, press the **Turning** button in the ship properties – page shape. If the ship is for some reason away from the active route, the decision to start a turn should be done using the criteria of crossing the line passing through WOP and parallel to next route leg.



SAR module overview

This module is designed to help the navigator create SAR routes using selected options for SAR planning and operation.

Below are the different types of SAR routes:

- Expanding square
- Sector
- Parallel line

Access to the SAR module

Right-click the **New Route** button from the toolbar panel.

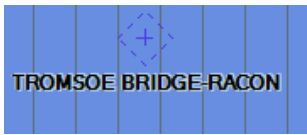
A dialog similar to the one below will be displayed.

Modify the parameters and click the **Create the route** button.

SAR symbols

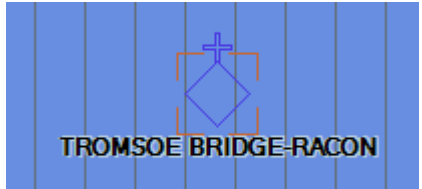
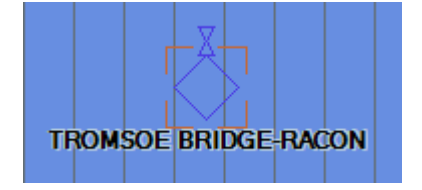
According to IEC6228ed.3, SAR module displays AIS aids to navigation (AToN) symbols for physical and virtual objects.

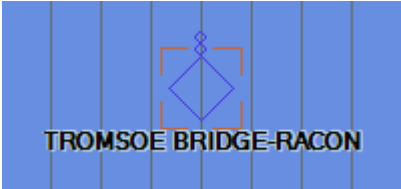
Basic shapes

	Basic shape, physical
	Basic shape, virtual

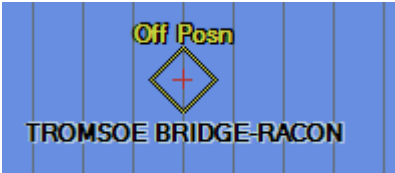
Purpose symbols

The symbols represented below are used for the physical AToNs only. The symbols used for the virtual AToNs are represented in the same way with the virtual basic shape shown above.

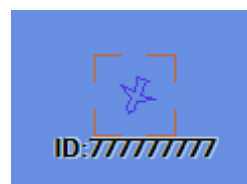
	Racon
	Emergency wreck mark
	North cardinal mark
	East cardinal mark
	South cardinal mark
	West cardinal mark
	Port hand mark
	Starboard hand mark

 TROMSOE BRIDGE-RACON	Isolated danger
 TROMSOE BRIDGE-RACON	Safe water
 TROMSOE BRIDGE-RACON	Special mark

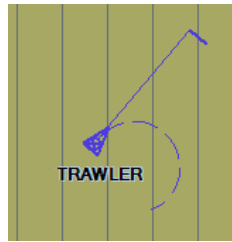
Failure symbols

 TROMSOE BRIDGE-RACON	Off position
 TROMSOE BRIDGE-RACON	Lights failure
 TROMSOE BRIDGE-RACON	Racon failure
 TROMSOE BRIDGE-RACON	Missing

SAR aircraft



SAR vessel



Expanding square option

To expand the square, follow the steps below.

1. Right-click the **New route** button from the toolbar panel.
2. From the SAR route dialog, set the Start point for the route. The start point for the SAR route can be the ship position or a manual point added at the cursor location by pressing the **By cursor** button.
3. Select the search direction from the **Direction** parameter located in the Drift panel.
4. Select the speed to proceed the route from the **Speed** parameter located in the Drift panel.
5. Select the search area from the **Radius of search** parameter located in the Route panel.
6. Select the space between the route legs from the **Route spacing** parameter located in the Route panel.
7. Click the **Create the route** button.

Sector option

1. Right-click the **New route** button from the toolbar panel.
2. From the SAR route dialog, set the Start point for the route. The start point for the SAR route can be the ship position or a manual point added at the cursor location by pressing the **By cursor** button.
3. Select the search direction from the **Direction** parameter located in the Drift panel.
4. Select the speed to proceed the route from the **Speed** parameter located in the Drift panel.
5. Select the search area from the **Radius of search** parameter located in the Route panel.
6. Click the **Create the route** button.

Parallel track option

Plot an area with Object Editor tools.

1. Select the area.
2. Right-click the **New route** button from the toolbar panel.
3. From the SAR route dialog, set the Start point for the route. The start point for the SAR route can be:
 - the closest vertex of the area to the ship position, or
 - a manually selected vertex created by pressing the **By cursor** button.
4. Select the speed to proceed the route from the **Speed** parameter located in the Drift panel.
5. Select the space between the route legs from the **Route spacing** parameter located in the Route panel.
6. Click the **Create the route** button.

Terms and abbreviations

AIS	Automatic Identification System
BAMS	Bridge alarm management system
BNWAS	Bridge navigational watch alarm system
ECDIS	Electronic Chart Display and Information System
IHO	International Hydrographic Organization
INS	Integrated Navigation System
NAVTEX	Navigational Telex
NMEA 0183	Text communication protocol
NMEA 2000	Communication standard

ARPA	Automatic Radar Plotting Aid
BRG/RNG	Bearing/Range
COG	Course over ground
DGPS	Differential Global Positioning System
DIST	Distance
D.R.	Dead reckoning
ETA	Estimated time of arrival
FWD	Forward
GC	Great circle
GND	Ground
GPS	Global Positioning System
Gyro	Gyrocompass
HCS	Heading control system
HDG	Heading
HDT	Heading -True
HSC	High speed craft
kn	Knot
LAT	Latitude
LON	Longitude
LOP	Line of position
MAN	Manual
MOB	Man overboard
NM	Nautical mile
OOW	Officer on watch
PI	Parallel index line
POSN	Past positions
PWR	Power
RAD	Radius
RNG	Range
ROT	Rate of turn
SAR	Search and Rescue

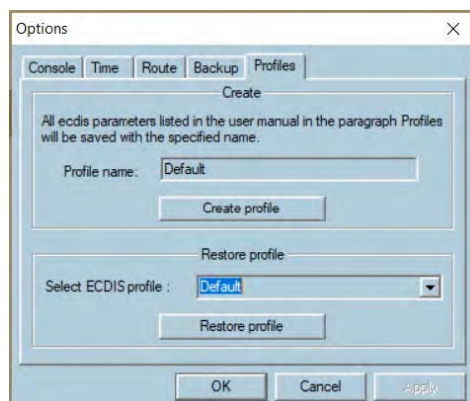
SCAMIN	The minimum scale at which the object may be used
SOG	Speed over ground
SPD	Speed
SPD/CRS	Speed/Course
STBD	Starboard side
STW	Speed through the water
TCS	Track control system
TTG	Time to go
UTM	Universal transverse Mercator
UTC	Universal time, coordinated
VDR	Voyage data recorder
VRM	Variable range Mercator
WGS	World geodesic system
Wind T/R	Wind True or Relative
WOP	Wheel over point
WPT	Waypoint

Chart management and charts

AIO	Admiralty Information Overlay
ARCS	Admiralty Raster Chart Service
AVCS	Admiralty Vector Chart Service
ENC	Electronic Navigational Charts
GB	AVCS chart collection
PM	Primar chart collection
RCDS	Raster chart display system
S-57 (IHO S-57)	Electronic navigational chart standard format
SENC	ECDIS chart format
SA certificate	Scheme Administrator certificate

Profile configuration parameters

Different profiles can be created in ECDIS900 and selected using:



The default profile restore all parameters to their default values (Hot key CTRL + D). The parameters values for an ECDIS default user profile are as following:

- Display category ECDIS - Standard display

- Selected sea area Around own ship with appropriate off-set
- Range / Scale 3 NM
- Orientation True motion, north-up
- Geodetic datum, if selectable WGS84
- Manual updates If applied, i.e. displayed if available
- Mariner's notes If applied, i.e. displayed if available
- Selected route Last selected route, including route parameters
- Past track On
- Past track length, if selectable Remain unchanged
- Past track time-labels Off, 30 min
- Look-ahead time 6 min
- Menu or Edit windows that overlap chart or route monitor data - Minimized or stacked to provide focus on chart and own ship location
- Position data source GNSS, sensor to remain unchanged if previously in use
- Safety contour Remain unchanged
- Planned Safety depth Remain unchanged
- Planned Cross track limit Remain unchanged
- Graphical indication of crossing safety contour during route planning, if selection provided On
- Graphical indication of prohibited areas, areas with special conditions and navigational hazards during route planning, if selection provided On
- User-specified distance to prohibited areas, areas with special conditions and navigational hazards, when planning Remain unchanged
- Graphical indication of crossing safety contour during route monitoring, if selection provided On
- Graphical indication of prohibited areas and areas with special conditions during route monitoring, if selection provided On
- Graphical indication of navigational hazards during route monitoring, if selection provided
- Object highlight, selected object, track display from log Cleared from display
- Cursor pick Clo
- Any additional window (dual view, 3d, tides, etc.) Closed
- Any additional information layer, proprietary layer (weather, tides, Additional Military Layer (AML), etc.) Cleared from display
- Chart update, Chart information exchange Aborted
- Colour differentiation test diagrams Closed
- Update review Off
- Chart 1 Closed
- Units m, NM, kn
- Crossing a navigational hazard in route monitoring mode Alert priority set as caution
- Vector time (length) 6 min
- Vector mode True
- Vector stabilization Ground
- Collision warnings, if provided On (limits, CPA = 2 NM; TCPA = 12 min) Brightness and contrast controls, if software controlled Calibrated setting

Short key list

F1	Zoom in
F2	Zoom out
F3	Follow the ship and autoloading
F4	Properties access
F5	Show/hide AIS and radar targets
Shift+F5	Switches the chart display to the Base mode. Radar overlay, traffic and EBL/VRM layers are hidden. Available for ENC.
Ctrl+F5	Hide AIS and radar targets and radar overlay (to show hidden radar overlay, tick ON the checkbox in the Radar tab on the console).

F6	Route plan access
F7	ENC Standard mode or Raster chart original scale
F8	Switch the color scheme
F9	Other chart type (Ctrl + F9 Settings)
F10	Anchor (Ctrl + F10 Settings)
Arrows	Chart scroll in 4 directions
Esc(escape)	Close the window
+	Load better raster chart
-	Load smaller scale raster chart
Delete	Delete selected waypoints or range and bearing display or user objects
Shift+V	True/relative vectors
Shift+R	Display black rectangle for back light adjustments
Ctrl+A	Access to AIS messaging window
Ctrl+H	Activated Harbor mode (Press Enter or Space or click to Escape)
Ctrl+D	Docking mode
Ctrl+Space	Magnifying Glass
Ctrl+Space+Shift and Mouse wheel	Zoom In/out in Magnifying glass
Ctrl+C	Show spot soundings on chart (Ctrl+Shift +C to remove spot soundings from chart)
T	Access to the Tidal data for NHO zone. (Pilot version only).
B	Show ARCS update tiles
N	Send XML request to get near real time tide data
V	Change the target vector from True to Relative or vice versa
F or f	Press the key to hide AIS names and tracks. When the names are hidden, press the key to restore the original status
Enter	Acknowledge the alarm

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Troubleshooting

Encryption scheme errors in ENC

The following is a list of errors that can occur during ENC chart management.

Error codes	ID	Error messages	User actions
SSE01, SSE02	-1, -2		Not used
SSE03	-3	Certificate is invalid	Corrupted file with digital signature
SSE04	-4	Format of Certificate is incorrect	Contact your ENC chart agent or distributor
SSE05	-5	SA Digital Certificate file is not available	Get (SA) certificate by Internet
SSE06	-6	SA Digital Certificate is invalid	Get (SA) certificate by Internet
SSE07	-7	Certificate file is not available	User tries to install the chart from not licensed media
SSE08	-8	Format of private key is invalid	Contact your ENC chart agent or distributor
SSE09	-9	Signature is invalid	Contact your ENC chart agent or distributor
SSE10	-10	Files are different (check after decryption).	Contact your ENC chart agent or distributor
SSE11	-11	Cell Permit file not found	Get permits from your ENC chart agent or distributor
SSE12	-12	Cell Permit format is incorrect	Get new permits from your ENC chart agent or distributor
SSE13	-13	Cell Permit is invalid (checksum is incorrect).	Corrupted file with permits (enc.pmt or permits.txt)
SSE14	-14	Incorrect system date	Not used
SSE15	-15	Subscription license has expired	Renew license
SSE16	-16	ENC CRC value is incorrect	Corrupted ENC file. Contact your ENC chart agent or distributor
MERR_CHART_TOO_OLD_FOR_PERMIT	-29	Chart is too old for used permit	Update the chart
MERR_CELL_FILE_NOT_AVAILABLE	-17	Cell file is not available	Contact your ENC chart agent or distributor
MERR_CANNOT_CREATE_ZIPFILE	-18	Decryption process error	Contact NAVICO
MERR_PKZIP_NOT_FOUND	-19	At least one service of encryption system is not found.	Run setup program
MERR_CANNOT_RUN_PKZIP	-20	Decryption process error	Contact NAVICO
MERR_CANNOT_UNZIP_CELL	-21	Decryption process error	Contact NAVICO

Error codes	ID	Error messages	User actions
MERR_AUTENT_CELL_ERR	-22	Cell Authentication error	System error. Contact NAVICO
MERR_CANNOT_READ_CATALOG	-27	Cannot read the Catalog file	User try to install the chart from not licensed media. Use the licensed media.
MERR_ENVAR_NOTFOUND	-28	Environment variable not found.	Run setup program.
WARNING_SUBS_WILL_EXPIRE	2	Subscription service will expire in less than 30 days	Contact your ENC chart agent or distributor for a subscription renewal.

Common errors in ARCS chart management

The following is a list of errors that can occur during ARCS chart management.

ECDIS ERROR MESSAGE	Description	What to do	BA error code
Invalid (altered) gb.lcn-file	License is invalid and a checksum error is detected while reading the GB.LCN file.	Reinstall permits. If this does not help, contact SIMRAD to correct the error.	ARCS01
→ Note: Do not change the expiration date of the license using text editor.			
Chart permit corrupted. Please reload from the original media.	The installed chart permit file is corrupted.	Reinstall the chart permits from the latest BA floppy disk using the chart management function.	ARCS02
The update relates to a newer version of the chart.	The update relates to newer version of the chart.	This means that a newer edition of the chart has been issued and you are still using the old edition. There are two cases: • A new edition of the chart is located on the update CD. • The Area CD containing the chart has been reissued. • Chart should be installed and updated from the appropriate media.	ARCS03
The chart is newer than the update.	The chart is a newer version than the update.	The chart data already includes a New Edition of this chart and the update CD selected is older. It is necessary to use the latest update CD.	ARCS04
The nav. License has expired no update is made.	The license has expired.	License expired – updating is not permitted. Contact your chart provider.	ARCS05

ECDIS ERROR MESSAGE	Description	What to do	BA error code
Warning! License expires in less than one month.	The navigation permit for the chart will expire in less than one month.	Contact your chart provider for a license renewal.	ARCS08
License expired in the last month.	The navigation permit for the chart expired within the last month.	Contact your chart provider for a license renewal.	ARCS09
Nav. License expired more than 1 month ago.	The navigation permit for the chart has expired more than one month ago.	Contact your chart provider for a license renewal.	ARCS10
Chart is too old for this nav. license.	The chart permit relates to a newer chart edition.	The loaded version of this chart is too old to be used with the permit. Load a more recent version of the chart from the area CD or the Update.	ARCS11
No error message	The specified permit types do not match (when merging permits).	Proper permit (Navigator or Skipper) option should be selected while merging permits.	ARCS_DIFFERENT_PERMITTYPE
No License File or Chart Permit File found!	There are no files called gb.lcn or gb.ncp in the folder selected by the user.	Select the correct folder in which the files gb.lcn and gb.ncp are located.	ARCS_NO_PERMITS
The License File is invalid.	The format of the chart permit file does not match gb.lcn-file structure.	Install permits from the original BA CD containing the permits.	ARCS_INVALID_LCN
No error message is displayed but it is impossible to install or update permits or charts.	The catalog files or chart files are corrupted.	Delete manually the following files: • All files located in the folder C://Ecdis/ Data/ Arcs_data/ Chartcat • All folders located in the folder C://Ecdis/ Data/ Arcs_data/ Rachts • C:// Program files / Ecdis_2/ Data/ Arcs_data/ Chartcat/ Config.arcschart.cfg	

Guidelines for troubleshooting for ARCS chart management

Problem	Try this
The chart permit for a chart has been successfully installed but the chart from the CD cannot be installed (invalid permit).	Most likely the chart has been reissued and the new version of the chart is stored on the update CD.

Maintenance

Computer maintenance should be performed at certain time intervals. Do not ignore any scheduled maintenance as this will affect the computer speed and could ultimately lead to a computer system failure.

Weekly

Check chart updates

It is recommended to check for updates weekly.

Clean keyboard and mouse

Wipe keyboard and mouse with disinfectant wipes. Make sure that the wipes are not overly damp and that you squeeze out any excess liquid before wiping your keyboard or mouse.

→ **Note:** When using damp cloth, ensure to turn your computer off and unplug the power cord. Be careful not to allow any excess moisture to enter any openings and never spray anything directly onto your keyboard or mouse.

Monthly

Secure Backup data

Data loss can happen in many ways so keep a backup copy of your routes, charts and layers regularly. Always test your copied data, a backup is useless if it cannot be restored correctly.

Clean Computer

Cleaning is necessary only when layers, often dark layers, can be clearly seen on some areas. If these layers are visible, they must be removed with a dry cloth. A special brush for cleaning, of appropriate size, may also be used.

→ **Note:** It is recommended to upgrade ECDIS software and change hardware components on a yearly basis. To order a Technician visit, please contact NAVICO.



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