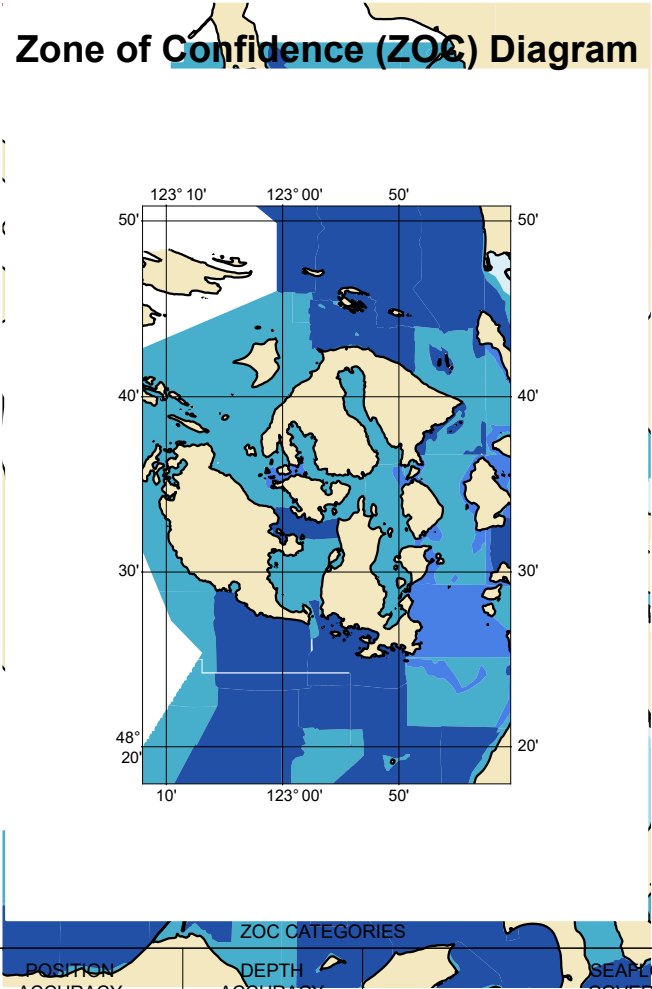


Zone of Confidence (ZOC) Diagram



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HEIGHTS

Heights of fixed aids to navigation and vertical clearances of overhead obstructions will be shown in feet if the units are set to feet or fathoms. If units are set to meters, heights will be shown in meters. Land elevation values are shown in meters only.

WATER LEVELS, CURRENTS, AND TIDES

Real-time water levels, tide predictions, and tidal current predictions are available on the internet from NOAA's Center for Operational Oceanographic Products and Services (CO-OPS) at https://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/water_level_info.html and https://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/currents_info.html.

ABBREVIATIONS

For complete list of Symbols and Abbreviations, see Chart No. 1.

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POLLUTION REPORTS

Report all spills of oil and hazardous substances to the National Response Center via 1-800-424-8802 (toll free), or to the nearest U.S. Coast Guard facility if telephone communication is impossible (33 CFR 153).

WARNING

The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Consult U.S. Coast Pilot 10 for important supplemental information.

SOUNDING DATUM

In Canadian waters, soundings are referred to Lowest Normal Tide.

VERTICAL DATUM

In Canadian waters, overhead clearances are referred to Higher High Water Large Tides.

COLREGS, 80.1390 (SEE NOTE A)

International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972. The entire area of this chart falls seaward of the COLREGS Demarcation Line.

COLREGS, 80.1385 (SEE NOTE A)

International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972. The entire area of this chart falls seaward of the COLREGS Demarcation Line.

AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Consult U.S. Coast Guard Light List for supplemental information concerning aids to navigation.

RADAR REFLECTORS

Radar reflectors have been placed on many floating aids to navigation. Individual radar reflector identification on these aids has been omitted from this chart.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information can be obtained at www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov

SOUNDING DATUM

Soundings referred to Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW).

VERTICAL DATUM

Overhead clearances are referred to Mean High Water (MHW).

NOTE A

Navigation regulations are published in Chapter 2, U.S. Coast Pilot 10. Additions or revisions to Chapter 2 are published in the Notices to Mariners. Information concerning the regulations may be obtained at the Office of the Commander, 13th Coast Guard District in Seattle, WA or at the Office of the District Engineer, Corps of Engineers in Seattle, WA.

Refer to charted regulation section numbers.

CANADIAN AIDS TO NAVIGATION

See Canadian List of Lights, Buoys and Fog Signals for information not included in the U.S. Coast Guard Light List.

FLOATING SECURITY BARRIERS

Floating security barriers have been installed at various U.S. Naval installations throughout Puget Sound. The barriers are marked by numerous flashing yellow (FI Y 2s) Navy maintained lighted buoys and approximately mark the Restricted Areas surrounding the facility.

TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEME

One-way traffic lanes are RECOMMENDED for use by all vessels traveling between the points involved. They have been designated to aid in the prevention of collisions in the Strait of Juan De Fuca waters, but are not intended in any way to supersede or alter the applicable Rules of the Road. Separation zones are intended to separate inbound and outbound traffic and to be free of ship traffic. Separation zones should not be used except for crossing purposes. When crossing traffic lanes and separation zones, use extreme caution.

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JUAN DE FUCA CVTS

A Cooperative Vessel Traffic Services (CVTS) system has been established by the United States and Canada within the adjoining waters in the Juan de Fuca Region. The appropriate Vessel Traffic Center (VTC) (Prince Rupert Traffic, Seattle Traffic, Victoria Traffic) administers the rules issued by both nations, however it will enforce only its own set of rules within its jurisdiction.

PRECAUTIONARY AREA

Precautionary Area have been established where major lanes merge and cross the traffic separation scheme. It is recommended that vessels proceed with caution in these areas. Where practicable, vessels entering or leaving the system should do so at these precautionary areas. For more information regarding Traffic Separation Scheme procedures and regulations, see 33 CFR 167 and/or chapter 2 of the U.S. Coast Pilot.

TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEME

One-way traffic lanes are RECOMMENDED for use by all vessels traveling between the points involved. They have been designated to aid in the prevention of collisions in the Strait of Georgia waters, but are not intended in any way to supersede or alter the applicable Rules of the Road. Separation zones are intended to separate inbound and outbound traffic and to be free of ship traffic. Separation zones should not be used except for crossing purposes. When crossing traffic lanes and separation zones, use extreme caution.

CAUTION

Temporary changes or defects in aids to navigation are not indicated on this chart. See Local Notice to Mariners.

CAUTION
LIMITATIONS ON THE
USE OF RADIO SIGNALS

Limitations on the use of radio signals as aids to marine navigation can be found in the U.S. Coast Guard Light Lists and National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Publication 117.

Radio direction-finder bearings to commercial broadcasting stations are subject to error and should be used with caution.

VESSEL TRAFFIC SERVICES (VTS)

The U.S. Coast Guard operates a mandatory Vessel Traffic Services (VTS) system in U.S. waters. Vessel operating procedures and designated radiotelephone frequencies are published in 33 CFR 161, in the U.S. Coast Pilot, and/or the VTS User's Manual.

VESSEL TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND
INFORMATION SYSTEM

For information governing the VESSEL TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND INFORMATION SYSTEM for the coastal waters of southern British Columbia, see National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Publication 154, Sailing Directions (en route) for British Columbia, and the Sailing Directions British Columbia Coast (South Portion) Volume 1, published by the Canadian Hydrographic Service.

CAUTION
FERRY ROUTES

Mariners are cautioned that ferries may deviate from their published standard routes due to inclement weather, traffic conditions, navigational hazards, or other emergency situations.

CAUTION
SUBMERGED CABLES AND PIPELINES

Additional uncharted submarine pipelines and submarine cables may exist within the area of this chart. Not all submarine pipelines and submarine cables are required to be buried, and those that were originally buried may have become exposed. Mariners should use extreme caution when operating vessels in depths of water comparable to their draft in areas where pipelines and cables may exist, and when anchoring, dragging or trawling.

Covered wells may be marked by lighted or unlighted buoys.

SUBMARINE OPERATIONS

Submerged submarine operations are conducted at various times in the waters contained on this chart. Proceed with caution.

NAVAL OPERATING AREAS

Mariners should use caution as naval craft may be maneuvering within the areas. For further information consult Local Notices to Mariners.

CAUTION

Mooring cables are suspended above water line in Echo Bay. Mariners should use extreme caution when transiting the area.

CAUTION
ROSARIO STRAIT
STRONG TIDAL CURRENTS

Mariners may experience a strong set to the west in this area during ebb currents flowing out of Guemes Channel.

CAUTION
BOOMING SYSTEM

Spill containment booms and buoys frequently extend several hundred feet off each berth when a vessel is moored. See Coast Pilot 10 - Cherry Point for additional information.

SMALL ARMS SAFETY ZONE

Naval Air Station small arms range operates 7 days a week. Red flashing light and flags are displayed during live fire exercises. Use caution when transiting near the zone.

PUGET SOUND
HARBOR SAFETY PLAN

The US Coast Guard and the Puget Sound Harbor Safety Committee have developed and adopted a Harbor Safety Plan that formally established a set of Standards of Care for Puget Sound and surrounding waters. These Standards of Care are intended to supplement existing regulations by documenting good marine practices for a variety of operations including tug escorts, pilotage, anchoring, lightering, and provides additional information on required charts, Aids to Navigation and Emergency Response. If your vessel does not already have a copy of the Puget Sound Harbor Safety Plan, visit <https://marexps.com/membership/puget-sound-harbor-safety-committee/> or contact the Marine Exchange of Puget Sound at (206) 443-3830.

SPENCER SPIT STATE PARK

GULF ISLANDS NATIONAL PARK RESERVE

STRONG CURRENTS

Strong currents may be experienced in the vicinity of Crane Island.

LOCAL MAGNETIC DISTURBANCE

Differences of as much as 4° from the normal variation have been observed near the Eastern shore of Burrows Bay.

LOCAL MAGNETIC DISTURBANCE

Differences of more than 2° from the normal variation have been observed in the vicinity of Point Doughty.

NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

The islands in the vicinity of Georgia, Haro, and Rosario Straits are part of a National Wildlife Refuge and are closed to the public to protect breeding colonies of seabirds, endangered and threatened species, and marine mammals. Boaters are requested to stay at least 200 yards / 182.8 meters away from these islands to avoid disturbance of these animals.

NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Smith and Minor islands are closed to the public to protect breeding colonies of seabirds, endangered and threatened species, and marine mammals. Boaters are requested to stay at least 183 meters/200 yards away from these islands to avoid disturbance to these animals.

NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE
SAN JUAN AND LOPEZ ISLANDS

The areas are closed to the public to protect breeding colonies of seabirds, endangered and threatened species, and marine mammals. Boaters are requested to stay at least 183 meters/200 yards away from these islands to avoid disturbance to these animals.

LOCAL MAGNETIC DISTURBANCE

Differences of as much as 2° from the normal variation have been observed at the northwest head of East Sound.

LOCAL MAGNETIC DISTURBANCE

Differences of 4° from the normal variation have been observed in Haro Strait in the vicinity of Bellevue Point.

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H Street - Blaine Area, WA KAD-93
162.525 MHz

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Puget Sound Marine, WA WWG-24 162.425
MHz