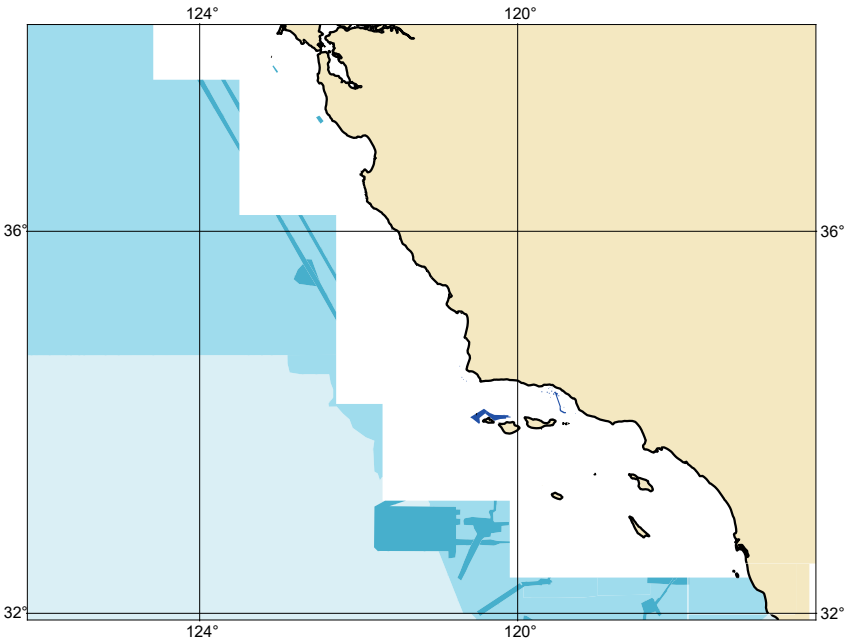


Zone of Confidence (ZOC) Diagram



ZOC CATEGORIES

ZOC	COLOR	POSITION ACCURACY	DEPTH ACCURACY	SEAFLOOR COVERAGE
A1		$\pm 5\text{ m} + 5\% \text{ depth}$ $\pm 16.4\text{ ft} + 5\% \text{ depth}$	$= 0.50\text{ m} + 1\% \text{ d}$ $= 1.6\text{ ft} + 1\% \text{ d}$ $= 0.3\text{ fm} + 1\% \text{ d}$	All significant seafloor features detected.
A2		$\pm 20\text{ m}$ $\pm 65.6\text{ ft}$	$= 1.00\text{ m} + 2\% \text{ d}$ $= 3.3\text{ ft} + 2\% \text{ d}$ $= 0.6\text{ fm} + 2\% \text{ d}$	All significant seafloor features detected.
B		$\pm 50\text{ m}$ $\pm 164.0\text{ ft}$	$= 1.00\text{ m} + 2\% \text{ d}$ $= 3.3\text{ ft} + 2\% \text{ d}$ $= 0.6\text{ fm} + 2\% \text{ d}$	Uncharted features hazardous to surface navigation are not expected but may exist.
C		$\pm 500\text{ m}$ $\pm 1640.4\text{ ft}$	$= 2.00\text{ m} + 2\% \text{ d}$ $= 6.6\text{ ft} + 2\% \text{ d}$ $= 1.1\text{ fm} + 2\% \text{ d}$	Depth anomalies may be expected.
D		Worse than ZOC C	Worse than ZOC C	Large depth anomalies may be expected.
U		Unassessed - The quality of the bathymetric data has yet to be assessed.		

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ABBREVIATIONS

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

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 7 and NGA Publication 153 for supplemental information.

SOUNDING DATUM

Soundings referred to Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW).

NOTE A

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Refer to charted regulation section numbers.

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

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

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VERTICAL DATUM

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

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VESSEL TRANSITING

The U.S. Coast Guard and the Pacific States/British Columbia Oil Spill Task Force endorse a system of voluntary measures and minimum distances from shore for certain commercial vessels transiting along the coast anywhere between Cook Inlet, Alaska, and San Diego, California. See U.S. Coast Pilot, Chapter 3 for details.

OFFSHORE VESSEL MOVEMENT REPORTING SYSTEM (OVMRS)

The U.S. Coast Guard operates an Offshore Vessel Movement Reporting System (OVMRS) covering the seaward approaches to San Francisco Bay. All commercial vessels over 300 gross tons and all tugs with tows are requested to contact Vessel Traffic Service San Francisco on VHF-FM channel 12 (156.60 MHz) when entering this area. All vessels in the area are encouraged to listen on channel 12 at fifteen and forty-five minutes past each hour for broadcast reports of known shipping traffic in the area. Additional information on the OVMRS is published in Coast Pilot 7 and information concerning specific operation procedures is available from the VTS.

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MINERAL DEVELOPMENT STRUCTURES

Obstruction lights and sound (fog) signals are required for fixed mineral development structures, subject to approval by the District Commander, U.S. Coast Guard (33 CFR 67).

VESSEL TRAFFIC SERVICES

The U.S. Coast Guard operates a mandatory Vessel Traffic Services (VTS) system in the San Francisco Bay and surrounding areas. Vessel operating procedures and designated radiotelephone frequencies are published in 33 CFR 161, the U.S. Coast Pilot, and/or the VTS User's Manual. The entire area of the chart falls within the Vessel Traffic Services (VTS) system.

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TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEME

One-way traffic lanes are RECOMMENDED for use by all vessels traveling between the points involved. They have been designed to aid in the prevention of collisions at the approaches to major harbors and along heavily traveled coastal waters, but are not intended in any way to supersede or to 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.

PRECAUTIONARY AREA

Traffic within the Precautionary Area may consist of vessels making the transition between the Main Ship Channel and one of the established traffic lanes. Mariners are advised to exercise extreme caution when navigating within this area. The normal cruising area of the pilot vessel is indicated "PILOT AREA." When passing Traffic Lane Lighted Buoys "S", "W", or "N", inbound vessels should contact the pilot boat on channel 13 for boarding instructions.

CAUTION

Outbound vessels have priority over incoming vessels in Long Beach Channel. Speed limit is six knots.

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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.

CAUTION

The Los Angeles and Long Beach main channels are considered narrow channels. Vessels less than 20 meters in length, sailing vessels, vessels engaged in fishing, or any vessel attempting to cross these channels shall not impede a vessel that can only safely navigate within a narrow channel as per Inland Navigation Rules, Rule 9. To obtain information on the movement of deep draft vessels inside Federal Breakwater contact the Los Angeles Pilot Station on channel 73 (156.675 MHz) / ph 310-732-3805 or Long Beach Pilot Station on channel 74 (156.6 MHz) / ph 562-432-0664.

CAUTION

There are rock outcroppings in northern General Anchorage N. Use caution.

CAUTION

Mariners are warned that numerous vessels are anchored and moored east of Stearns Wharf. Caution should be exercised when transiting this area.

CAUTION

This area is reserved exclusively for use by vessels owned or operated by the Federal Government. Permission to enter the area must be obtained from the Commanding General, U.S. Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, California, or by such agencies as they may designate.

CAUTION

Vessels should not enter the Pilot Operating Area unless entering or departing Los Angeles Channel.

CAUTION

Vessels should not enter the Pilot Operating Area unless entering or departing Long Beach Channel. Vessels entering Long Beach Channel should pass eastward of lighted whistle buoy "LB", and vessels departing should pass westward.

CAUTION

The city of Los Angeles advises that under certain tidal conditions, underwater installations between King Harbor and Marina del Rey, seaward to 9 fathom depths, present possible hazards to surface navigation.

CAUTION

The shoaling in the entrance to Oceanside Harbor is causing severe surf conditions.

CAUTION

Depths in the entrance channels to Del Mar Boat Basin and Oceanside Harbor are subject to frequent change due to continuous shoaling. Local knowledge is required for safe navigation in these areas. Latest available depth information may be obtained from the Public Works Officer, Camp Pendleton California.

CAUTION
UNDERWATER INSTALLATION

Anchoring, dredging, fishing, and other activities which might foul underwater installations are prohibited. All vessels entering the RESTRICTED AREA shall proceed across it by the most direct route and without unnecessary delay.

ACOUSTIC RANGE FACILITY

Numerous shore connected bottom cables are located within the area south of Santa Cruz Island.

SECURITY ZONES

Designated by the U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Ports, San Diego, California, to safeguard vessels or waterfront facilities from destruction, loss or injury from sabotage or other subversive acts, accidents or other causes of a similar nature. Under 33 CFR 165.33, no person or vessel may enter or remain in a Security Zone without the permission of the Captain of the Ports.

SUBMERGED SUBMARINE OPERATING AREAS

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

AREAS TO BE AVOIDED

All ships, except those bound to and from ports on one of the islands within the areas, engaged in the trade of carrying cargo, including but not limited to tankers and other bulk carriers and barges, should avoid the areas (MSC, IMO 59/33 Annex 21).

CAUTION
AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT AREA "CPAAA"

The obstruction area in the Gulf of Santa Catalina is used for large scale amphibious training exercises by craft not easily maneuvered when concentrated in large numbers. At such times, vessels are to remain clear and exit the area in a direction given them when approached or hailed by naval craft. Mariners must consult Local Notice to Mariners for information concerning amphibious activities conducted in this area.

NOTE Z
NO-DISCHARGE ZONE, 40 CFR 140

Under the Clean Water Act, Section 312, all vessels operating within a No-Discharge Zone (NDZ) are completely prohibited from discharging any sewage, treated or untreated, into the waters. All vessels with an installed marine sanitation device (MSD) that are navigating, moored, anchored, or docked within a NDZ must have the MSD disabled to prevent the overboard discharge of sewage (treated or untreated) or install a holding tank. Regulations for the NDZ are contained in the U.S. Coast Pilot. Additional information concerning the regulations and requirements may be obtained from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) website: <https://www.epa.gov/vessels-marinas-and-ports>.

WARNING

San Clemente Island is a NAVAL RESERVATION and is closed to the public. All vessels are warned that the vicinity of the island is dangerous on account of gunfire and bombing.

MILITARY EXERCISE AREA

Mariners are cautioned against possible hazards due to military training activities. Normal hours of operation are 0600-2400 local time, daily. For extension of operating times and further information, consult U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners.

NOTE

IMO-adopted Recommended Tracks for vessels 304.8 metric tons/300 gross tons and above (except those carrying hazardous cargo in bulk or crude oil).

IMO AMMENDED TRAFFIC SEPARATION
SCHEME

Portions of the traffic separation scheme have been amended by the IMO. See IMO COLREG.2/Circ.64. Please be advised that these portions have not been revised by the United States Coast Guard and that the corresponding changes have not been updated in the Code of Federal Regulations (33 CFR part 167). There are differences between the two traffic separation schemes and caution is advised.

NAVAL OPERATING AREA

Vessels should use caution while transiting this area due to naval test operations which involve frequent maneuvers in the vicinity of and around this location.

CHEMICAL MUNITIONS DUMPING
AREA DISUSED

Site was formerly used or designated for U.S. chemical munitions dumping. Such use has been discontinued. Designation of such area in no way constitutes authority for dumping.

NOTE

IMO-adopted Recommended Tracks for vessels carrying hazardous cargo in bulk (including ore concentrates, explosives, munitions, chemicals, liquefied gases, refined products, distillates or other non-persistent cargo). Vessels using these tracks should use the Western TSS when entering or leaving San Francisco.

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SCHEME

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CORDELL BANK
NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY
(PROTECTED AREA: 15 CFR 922; SEE NOTE
A)

National Marine Sanctuaries are protected areas, administered by NOAA, which contain abundant and diverse natural resources such as marine mammals, seabirds, fishes, and tidepool invertebrates. These areas are particularly sensitive to environmental damage such as spills of oil and other hazardous materials, discharges, and groundings. Exercise particular caution and follow applicable Sanctuary regulations when transiting these areas to avoid environmental impacts. A full description of Sanctuary regulations may be found in 15 CFR Part 922 and in the Coast Pilot.

MONTEREY BAY
NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY
(PROTECTED AREA: 15 CFR 922; SEE NOTE
A)

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GREATER FARALLONES
NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY
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DAVIDSON SEAMOUNT
MANAGEMENT ZONE
(PROTECTED AREA: 15 CFR 922)

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CHANNEL ISLANDS
NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY
(PROTECTED AREA: 15 CFR 922; SEE NOTE
A)

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LOCAL MAGNETIC DISTURBANCE

Differences of as much as 4° from the normal variation have been observed in the vicinity of Sixtymile Bank.

SEA OTTER REFUGE

The State of California Fish and Game Code prohibits the use of bows or firearms and the trapping of birds or mammals in the California Sea Otter Game Refuge.

MINERAL DEVELOPMENT STRUCTURES

Obstruction lights and sound (fog) signals are required for fixed mineral development structures, subject to approval by the District Commander, U.S. Coast Guard (33 CFR 67).

NAVAL OPERATING AREA

See Coast Pilot 7, Chapter 5 for information pertaining to the Naval Operating Area in Bechers Bay.

LOCAL MAGNETIC DISTURBANCE

Differences of as much as 5° from the normal variation have been observed up to 3 miles off shore along the north, east and south coast of San Clemente Island.