

NAVIGATION IN COASTAL WATERS

To be used for Navigating in Coastal
Waters and in Traffic Separation
Schemes.

Should be placed in the bridge.

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BRIDGE CHECK LIST				
Navigation in coastal waters				
A.	Considerations	Y	N	N/A
	The following factors to be taken into consideration in preparing the passage plan:			
	• Advice / recommendations in sailing directions.			
	• Ship's draught in relation to available water depths.			
	• Proximity to shallow water and the effect of squat monitored.			
	• Effects of weather, tides and currents for the area understood.			
1.	• Weather monitored, particularly in areas prone to poor visibility.			
	• Available navigational aids and their accuracy.			
	• Position fixing methods to be used.			
	• Daylight / night time passing of danger points.			
	• Traffic conditions in the area understood.			
	• Ship security procedures understood and followed.			
2.	Local / coastal warning broadcasts to be monitored.			
3.	Is participation in area reporting systems recommended including VTS?			
4.	Appropriate scale charts available with route plotted.			
5.	Bridge manning appropriate to maintain a proper look-out.			
6.	ECDIS terminals are setup correctly for navigation in coastal waters with route displayed.			
7.	Echo sounder checked.			
8.	Engines ready for immediate use.			
9.	Gyro/magnetic compass errors checked.			
10.	Is the OOW prepared to use engines and call a look-out or a Helmsman to the bridge (is available at immediate notice).			
11.	Manual steering checked and ready for use. Use more than one steering gear power unit, as appropriate.			
12.	Measures taken to comply with environmental requirements and applicable pollution regulations.			
13.	MSI is monitored and plotted as appropriate.			
14.	Position of the ship is fixed regularly and cross referenced at appropriate intervals.			
15.	Radar performance and radar heading line marker alignment checked.			
16.	Vessel reporting requirements are understood and followed.			
17.	Vessel routing requirements are understood and followed.			
18.	ECDIS system checked.			
	• Settings on both ECSI systems inspected by navigator.			
	• Safety Contour, Safety Depth, Shallow Contour, Deep Contour.			
B.	Other			

Date:	Nav. Officer:	Master:
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This checklist should be placed in the bridge & be used for Navigating in coastal waters & in Traffic Separation Schemes. Relevant Entries should be made in the Deck Log Book as applicable.