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Apart from Kleines Haff it is mostly ice-free, ice remnants occur in some sheltered places. The ice decay continues.

North Sea coast

The Elbe is mostly ice-free, in the harbour of Glückstadt close 5-20 cm thick ice occurs.

Western Baltic Sea

In the Bodden waters south of Darß and Zingst there are some ice remnants, but mostly ice-free.

Southern Baltic Sea

In the Bodden waters between Rügen and Hiddensee and in the northern approach to Stralsund there are ice remnants, in places. In the Greifswalder Bodden there is close, about 10 cm thick, rotten ice, mostly at northeastern shore. On southern Peenestrom there is rotten ice in sheltered bays. Kleines Haff is covered with 5-15 cm thick, partly rafted, rotten ice; there are some open areas in-between.

Outlook

The ice remnants outside the Kleines Haff will disappear during the week-end. Single floes of rotten ice may drift in the Greifswalder Bodden and on southern Peenestrom furthermore. In the Kleines Haff the ice will slowly melt within the next week.

Restrictions

The northern approach to Stralsund and Bodden waters south of Darß and Zingst are **open for navigation from today, 12:00 CET.**

Cancelled from today, 12:00 CET: Only ships with minimum ice class 1C and engine power not less than 1000 kW are assisted to Stralsund, Wolgast and the harbours in the southern Greifswalder Bodden (Lubmin, Vierow, Ladebow).

Only daytime navigation is allowed in the eastern approach to Stralsund and in approaches to Wolgast as well as to the harbours in Greifswalder Bodden and Kleines Haff.

To Stralsund port, to Wolgast port and to ports in Greifswalder Bodden use of pilot are mandatory.

This is the last German Ice Report for the season 2011/12.

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