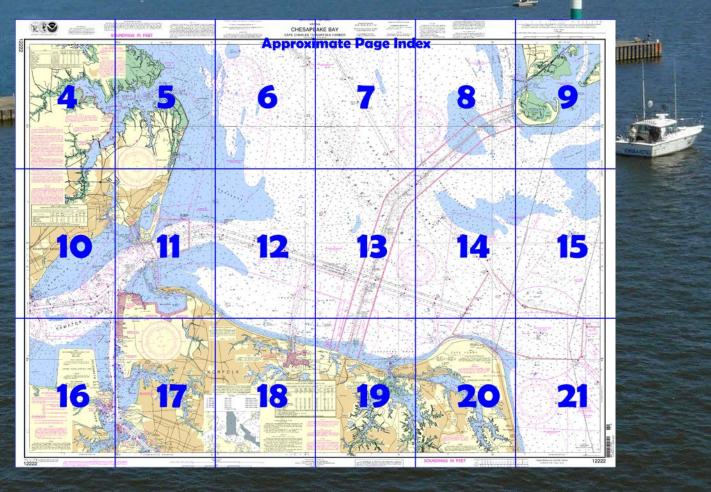
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Chesapeake Bay – Cape Charles to Norfolk Harbor NOAA Chart 12222

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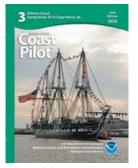
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(Selected Excerpts from Coast Pilot) Cape Henry Light (36°55.6'N., 76°00.4'W.), 164 feet above the water, is shown from an octagonal, pyramidal tower, upper and lower half of each face alternately black and white, on the beach near the turn of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge extends from Cape Charles to a point 6 miles westward of Cape Henry. Channel buoys, lights, daybeacons and fog signals mark the openings at Chesapeake and Thimble Shoal Channels. At night the floodlighted tunnel houses are

more prominent than the lights marking the channels. The current velocity is 1.0 knot on the flood and 1.5 knots on the ebb in Chesapeake Bay Entrance. Thimble Shoal Channel is a **Regulated Navigation Area** and draft limitations apply. A vessel drawing less than 25 feet may not enter the channel, unless the vessel is crossing the channel.

Lynnhaven Roads is used as an anchorage. The dumping ground in the western part has shoals and obstructions with depths as little as 11 feet; elsewhere depths are 20 to 28 feet.

There are two small craft openings in the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel south of Thimble Shoal Channel. Each span has a clearance of 21 feet. **Lynnhaven Inlet**. In 2000, the controlling depth in the entrance channel was 6½ feet. The inlet is marked by lights.

Lynnhaven Bay has a turning basin south of the highway bridge over the inlet. The bay has depths of 1 to 10 ft.

Caution.—The Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel complex has on several occasions suffered damage from vessels. In every case, adverse weather prevailed with accompanying strong winds from the northwest quadrant generally related to a frontal system. Weather deterioration in the lower bay is quite often sudden and violent and constitutes an extreme hazard to vessels operating or anchoring in this area. The proximity of the bridge-tunnel complex to main shipping channels and anchorages adds to the danger. Currents in excess of 3.0 knots can be expected in the area.

Traffic Separation Scheme (Chesapeake Bay Entrance).—The scheme provides for inbound-outbound traffic lanes to enter or depart Chesapeake Bay from the northeastward and from the southeast-ward. (See chart 12221.)

A precautionary area with a radius of 2 miles is centered on Chesapeake Bay Entrance Lighted Whistle Buoy CH (36°56'08"N., 75°57'27"W.). A racon is at the buoy.

The northeasterly inbound-outbound traffic lanes are separated by a line of four fairway buoys on bearing 250°-070°. The outermost buoy in the line is 6.4 miles 313° from Chesapeake Light and the innermost buoy is 4.5 miles 074° from Cape Henry Light.

The southeasterly approach is marked by Chesapeake Bay Southern Approach Lighted Whistle Buoy CB (36°49'00"N., 75°45'36"W.). A racon is on the buoy. The inbound/outbound traffic lanes are separated by a **Deep-Water Route** marked by lighted buoys on bearings 302°-122° and 317°-137°. The Deep-Water Route is intended for deep draft vessels and naval aircraft carriers entering or departing Chesapeake Bay. A vessel using the Deep-Water Route is advised to announce its intentions on VHF-FM channel 16 as it approaches Lighted Whistle Buoy CB on the south end, and Lighted Whistle Buoy CH on the north end of the route. All other vessels approaching the Chesapeake Bay Traffic Separation Scheme should use the appropriate inbound/outbound lanes of the northeasterly or southeasterly approaches.

The Coast Guard advises that upon entering the traffic lanes, all inbound vessels are encouraged to make a security broadcast on VHF-FM channel 13, announcing the vessel's name, location, and intentions.

Currents.–The current velocity is 1.0 knot on the flood and 1.5 knots on the ebb in Chesapeake Bay Entrance. (See the Tidal Current Tables for daily predictions.)

Naval and general anchorages are south of Thimble Shoal Channel. (See **110.1 and 110.168**, chapter 2, for limits and regulations.)

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U.S. Coast Guard Rescue Coordination Center 24 hour Regional Contact for Emergencies

RCC Norfolk

Commander 5th CG District (575) Norfolk, VA

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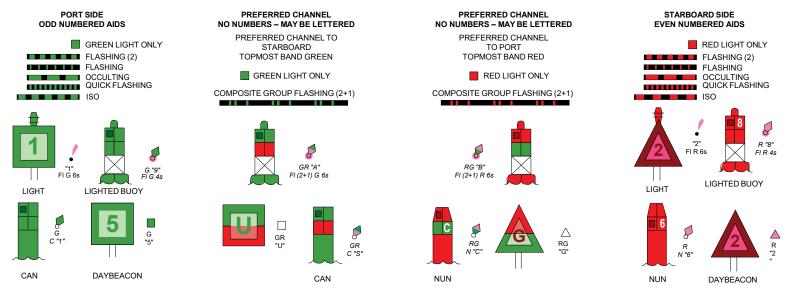
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Lateral System As Seen Entering From Seaward

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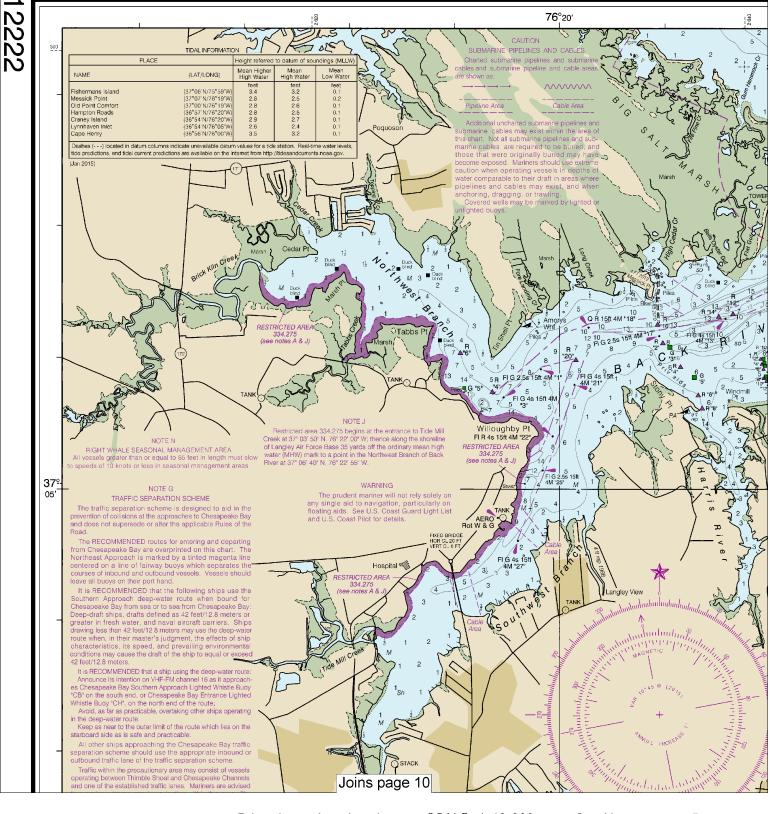
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The horizontal reference datum of this chart is North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83), which for charting purposes is considered equivalent to the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84). Geographic positions referred to the North American Datum of 1927 must be corrected an average of 0.529° northward and 1.221° eastward to agree with this chart. POLLUTION REPORTS

HORIZONTAL DATUM

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

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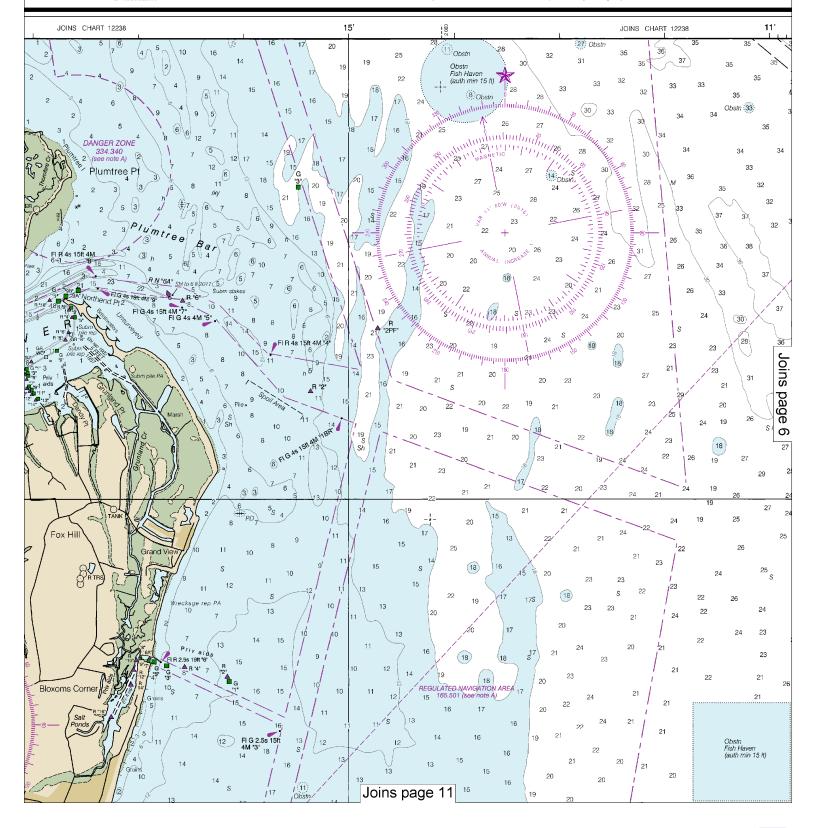
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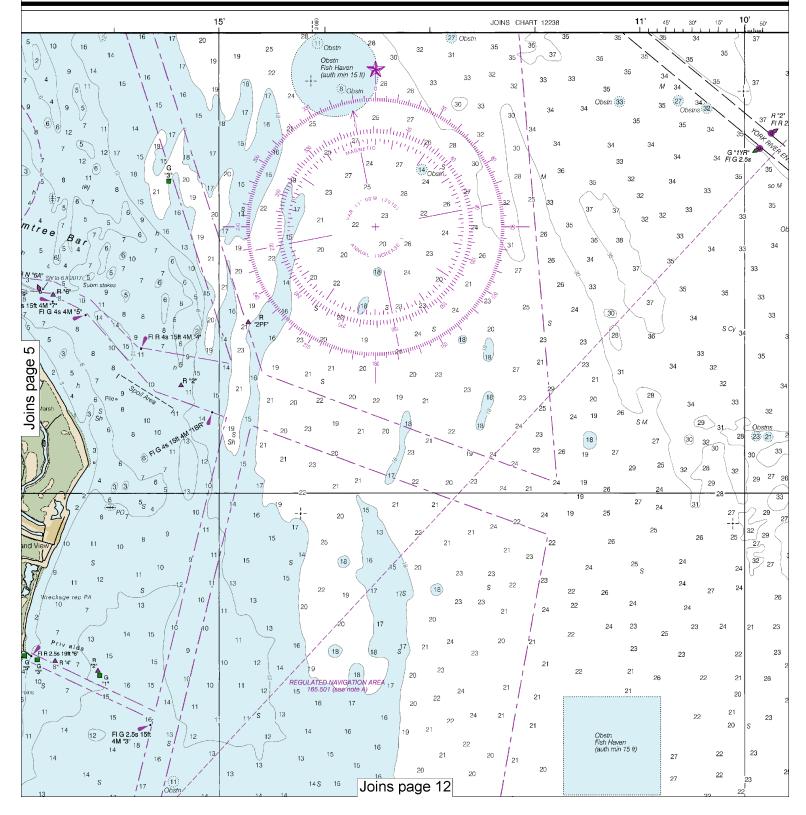
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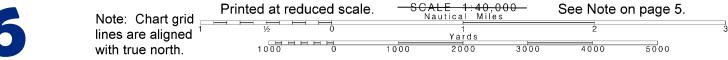
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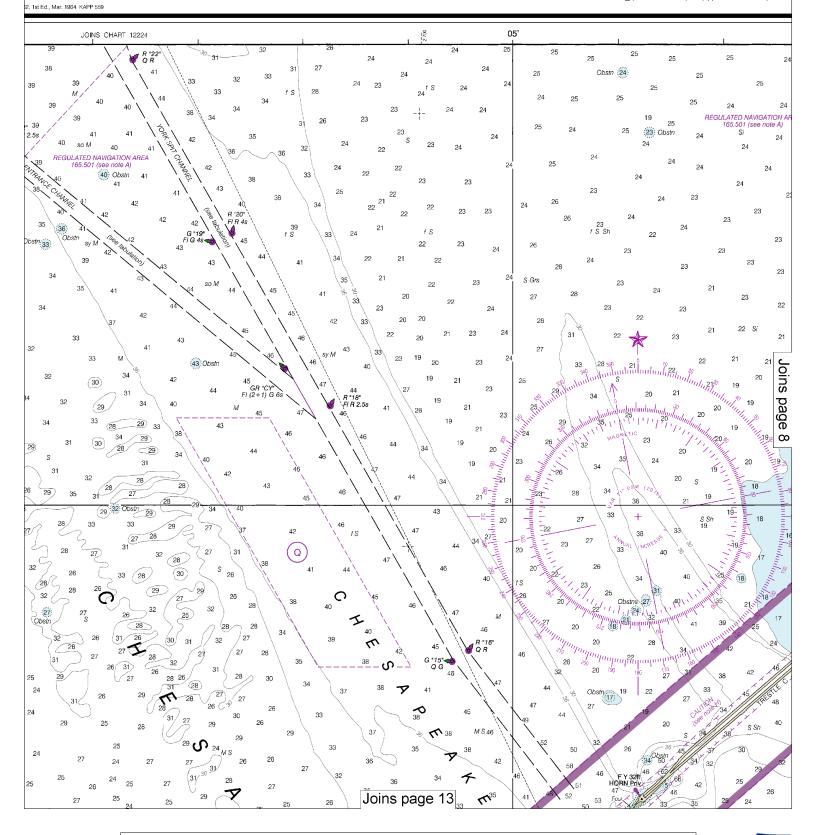
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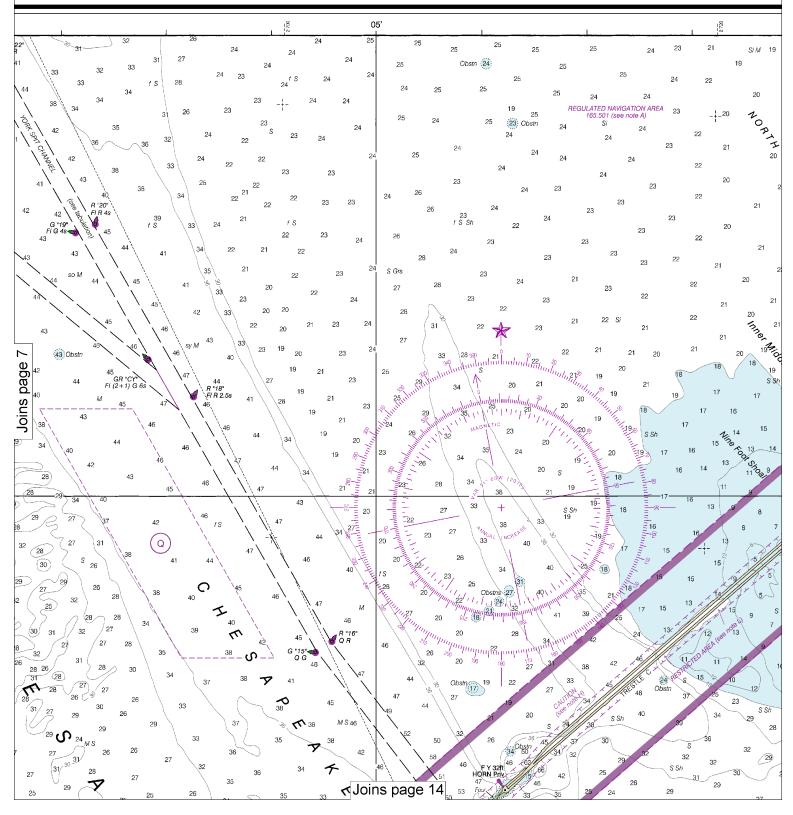
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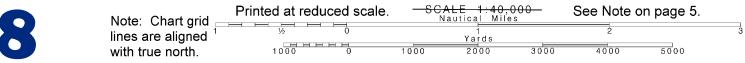
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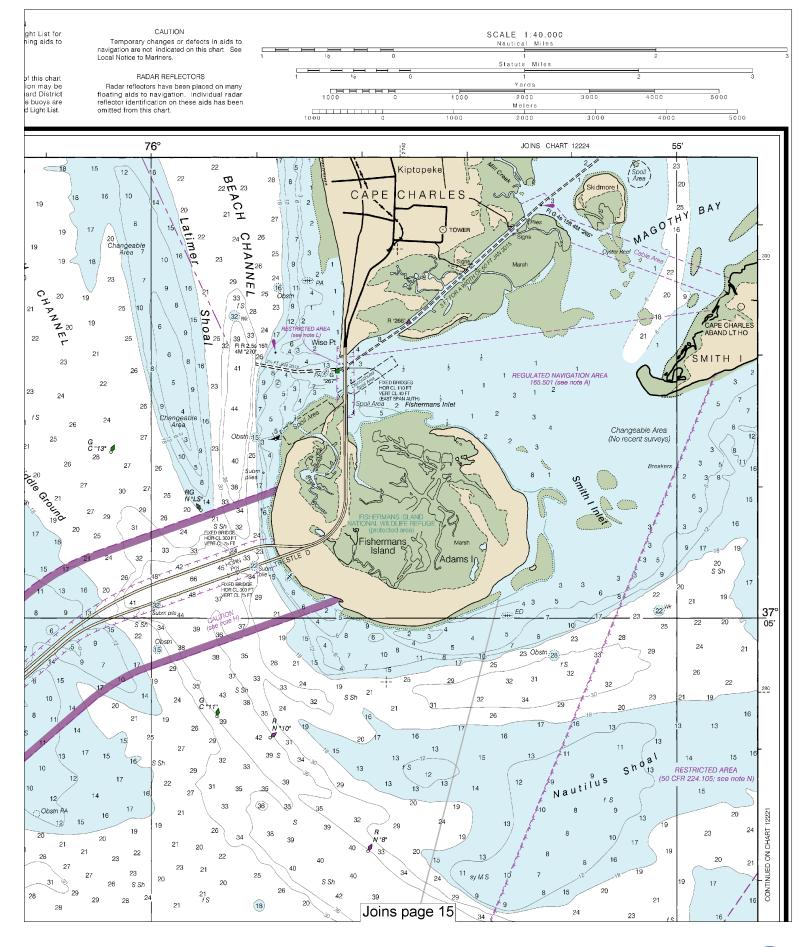
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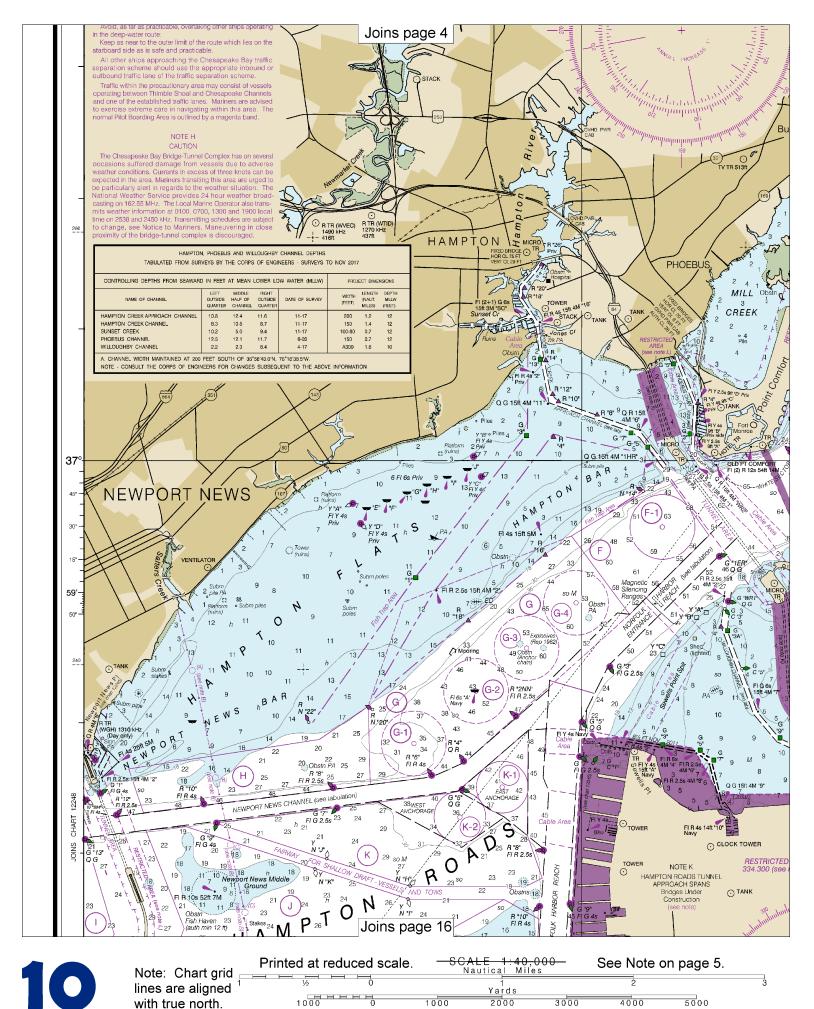


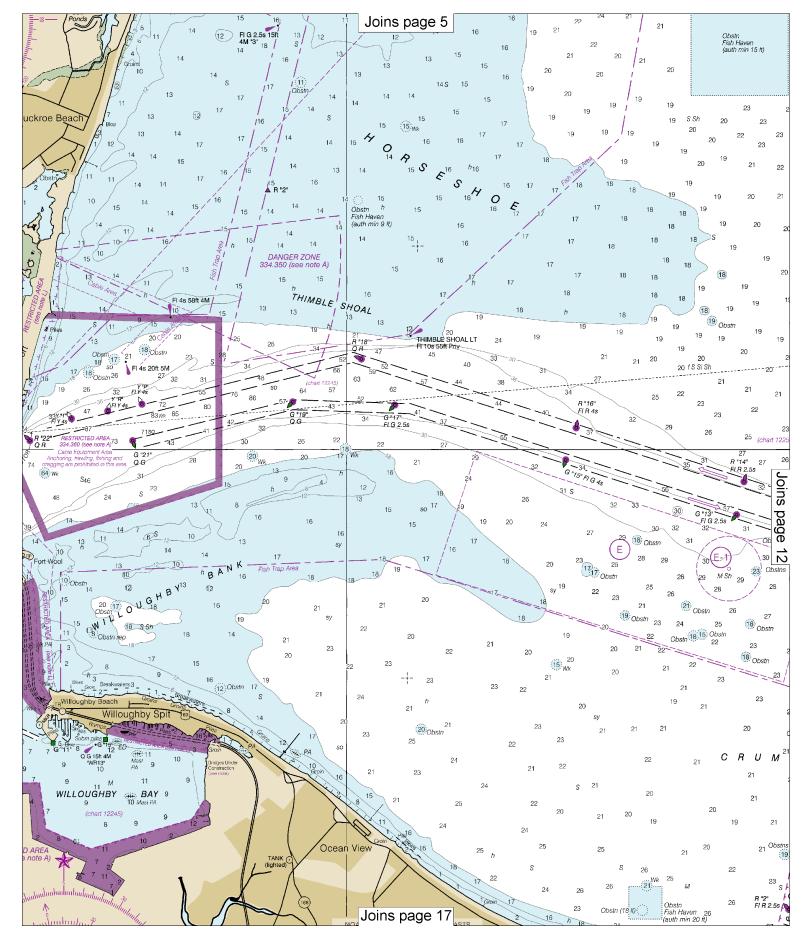


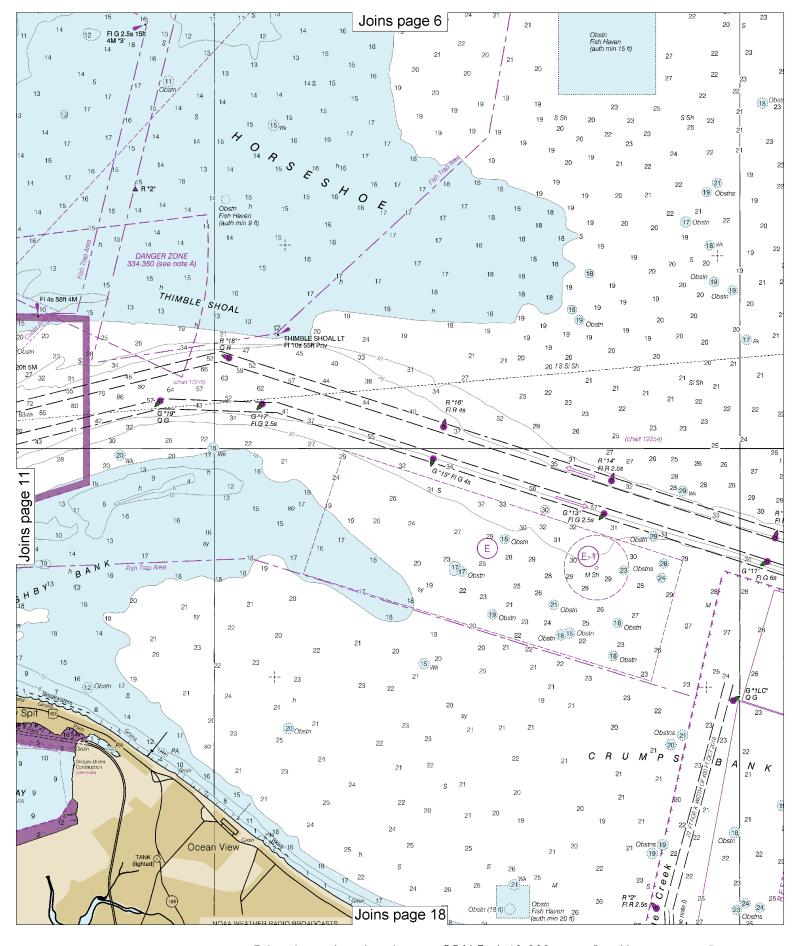
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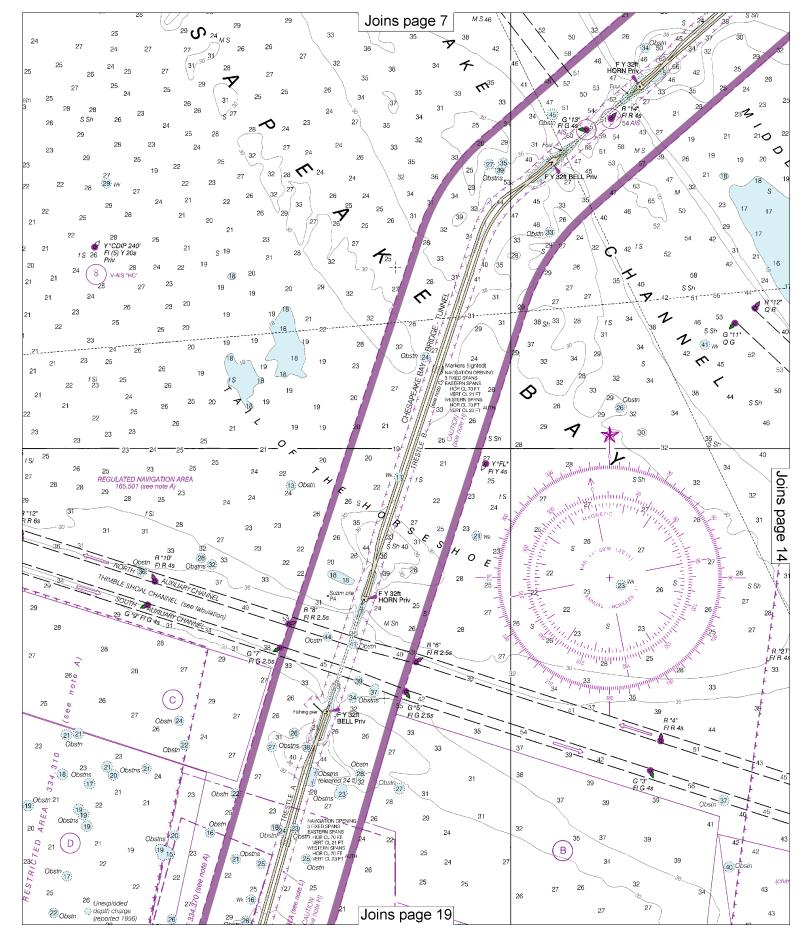




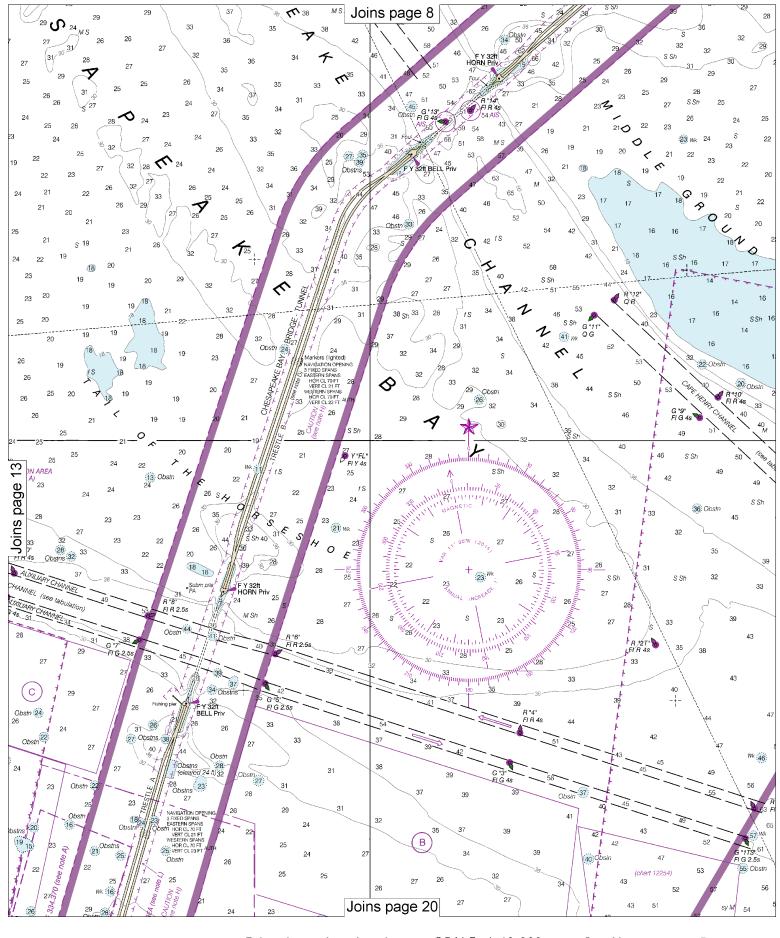




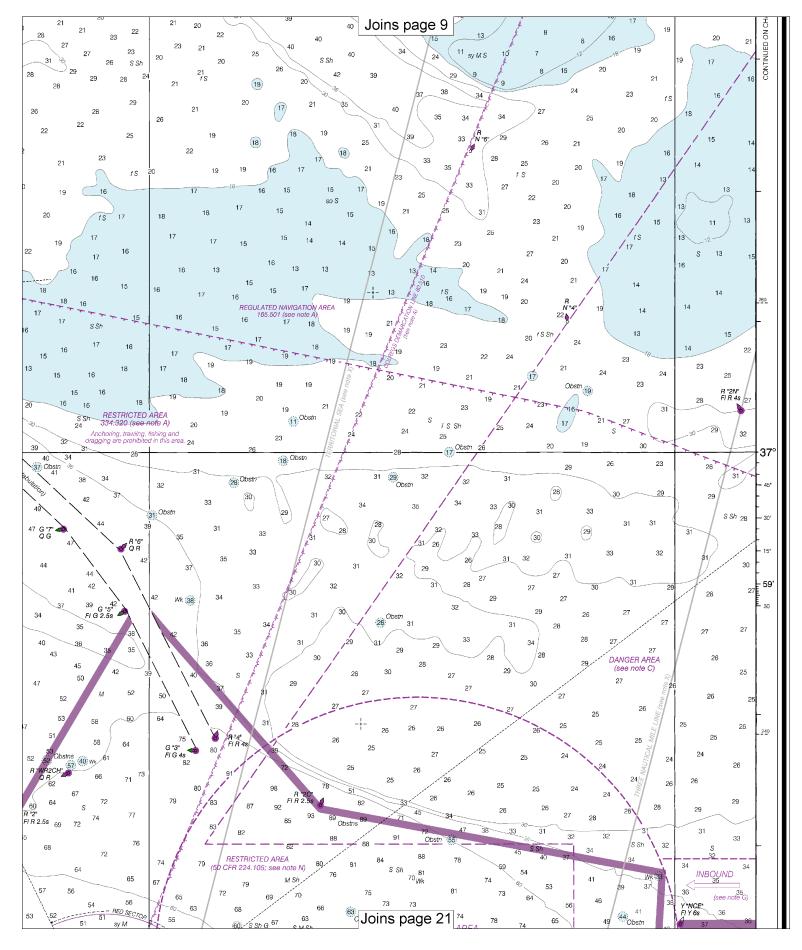
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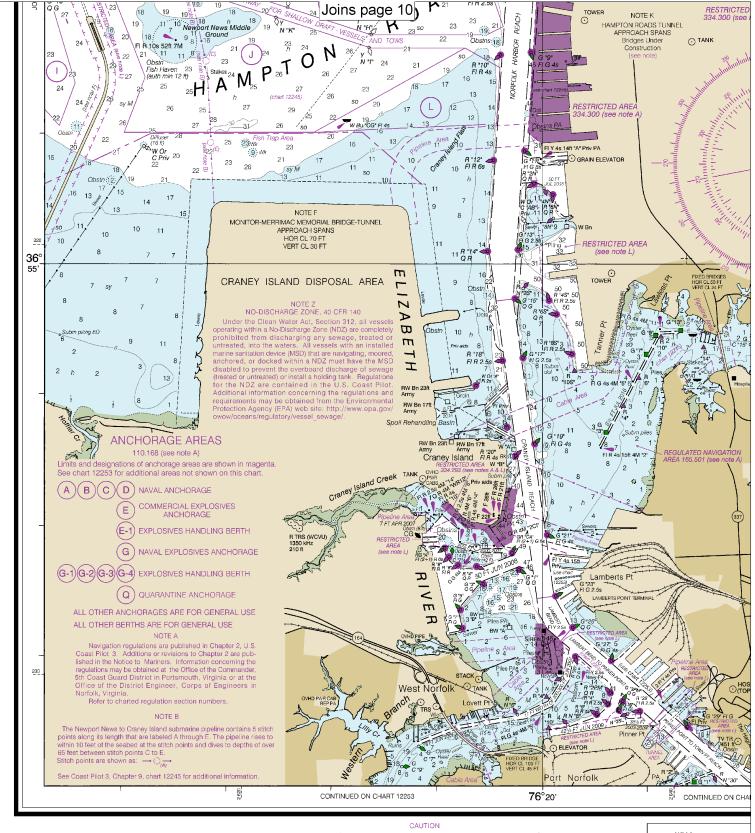






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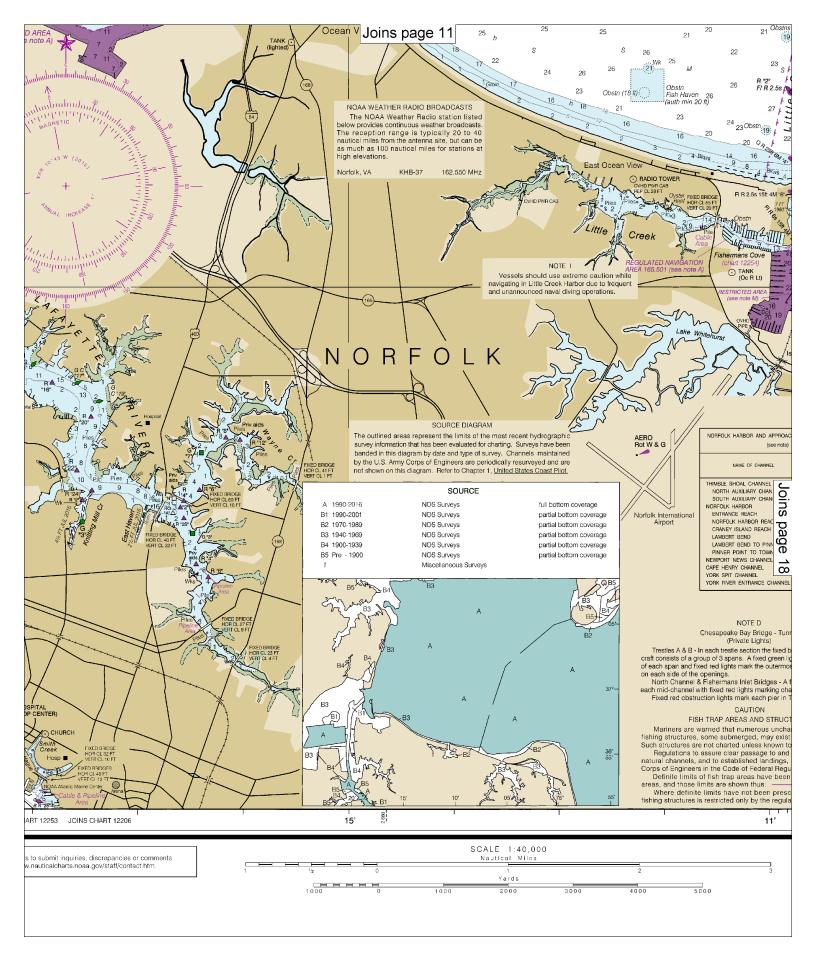
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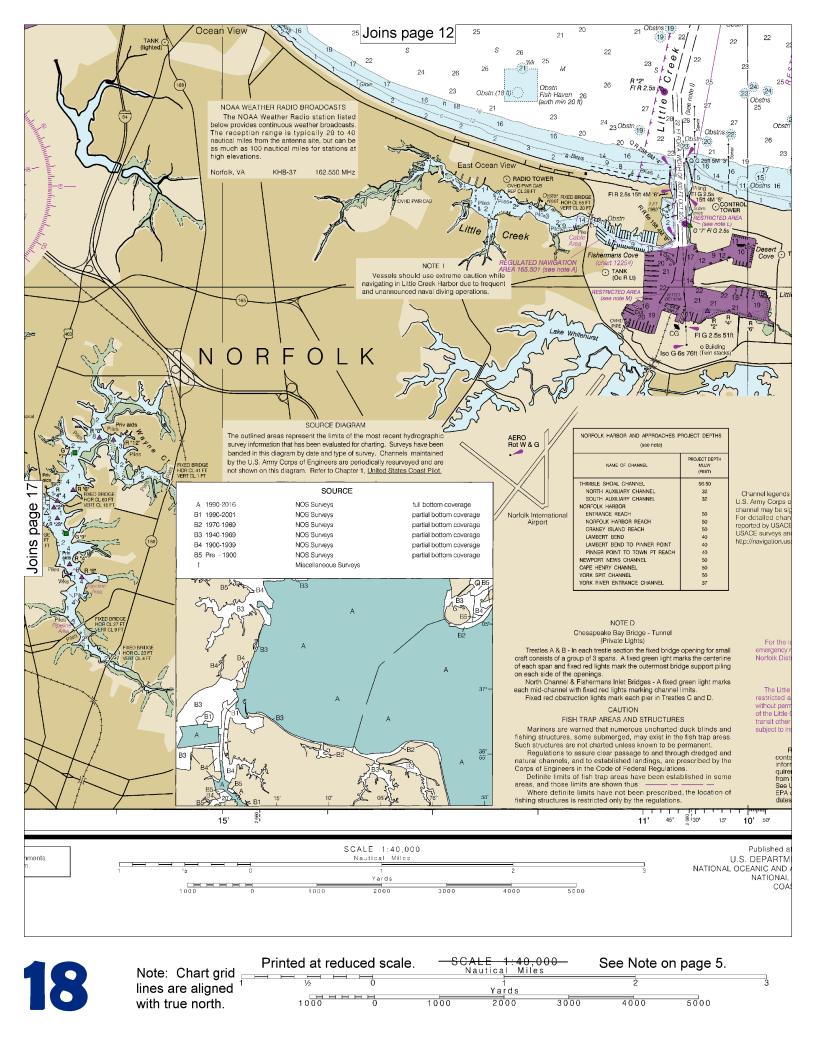
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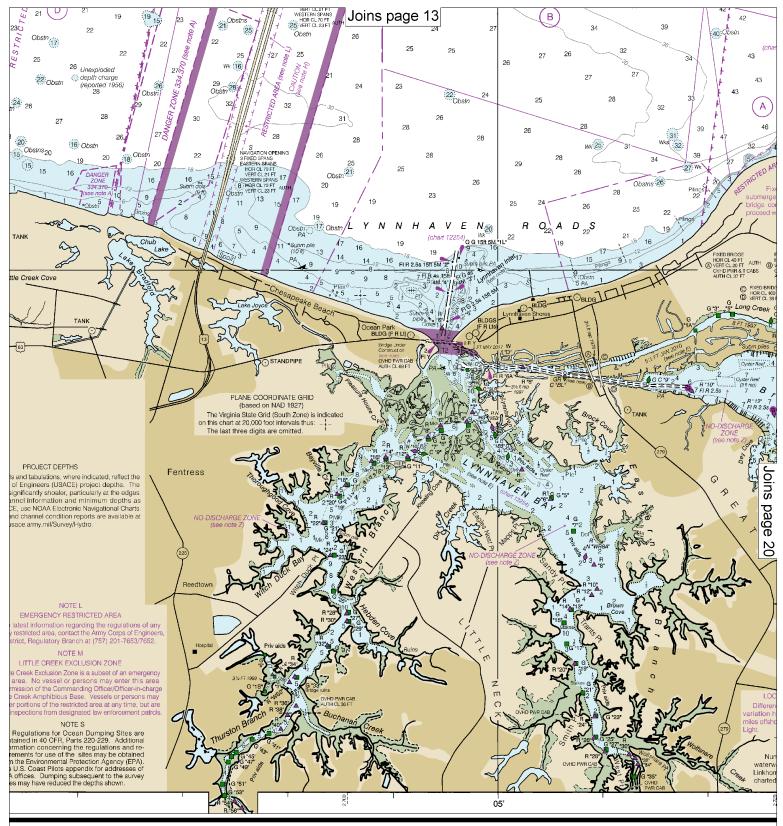
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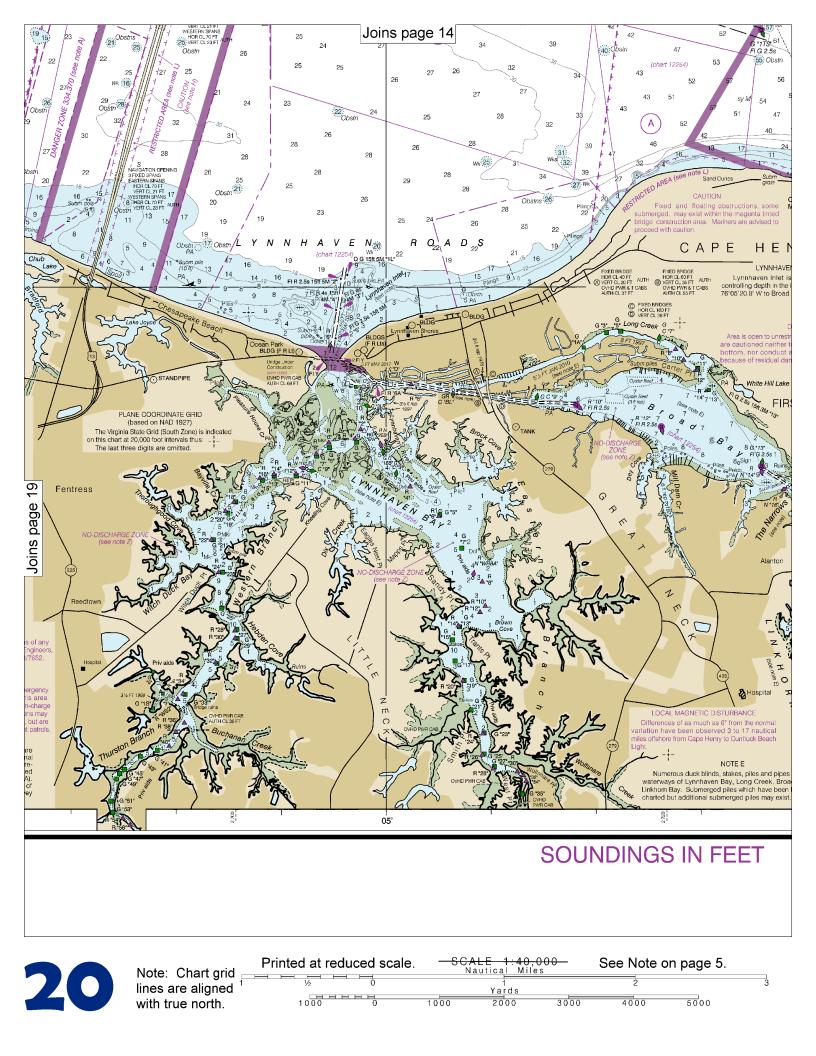


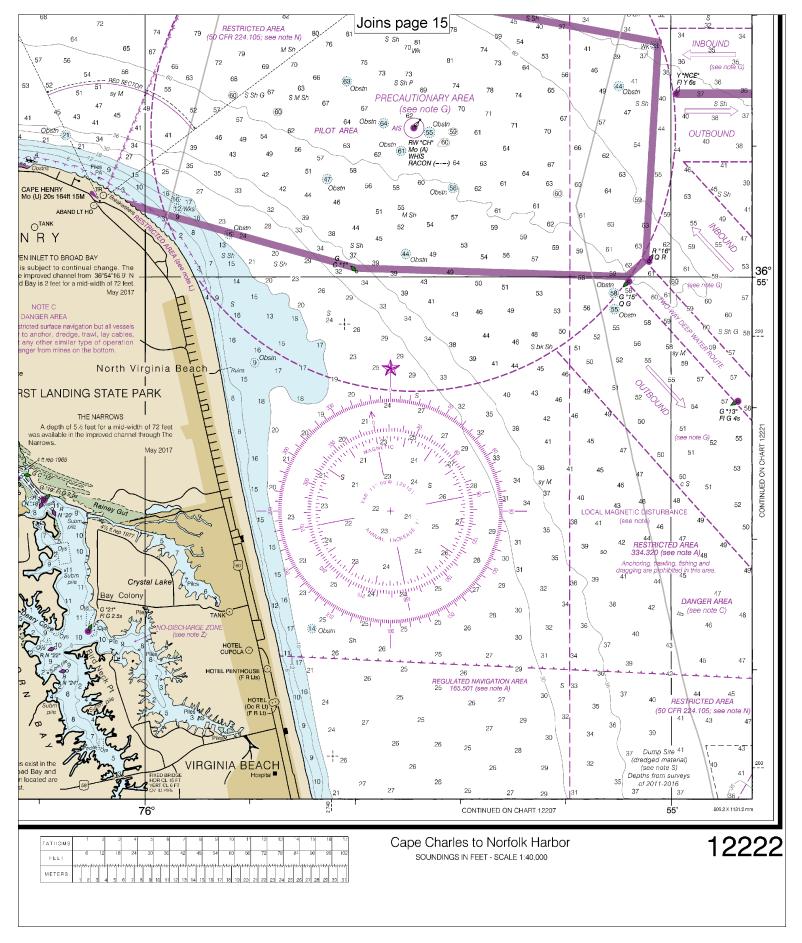


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VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

Channel 6 – Inter-ship safety communications. **Channel 9** – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

Channel 13 – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.

Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other

vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch. Channel 22A – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here. Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 and 78A – Recreational boat channels.

Getting and Giving Help — Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.

Distress Call Procedures

- Make sure radio is on.
- Select Channel 16.
- Press/Hold the transmit button.
- Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."

• Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.

- Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds If no response Repeat MAYDAY call.

HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS!



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