

NOAA Nautical Charting Calendar

Alliance for Safe Navigation

Sponsored by NOAA, the Alliance for Safe Navigation consists of boating industry leaders, associations, and government agencies that all share a commitment to boating safety by raising the boating community's understanding of, and appreciation for, up-to-date navigational information.

NOAA updates 150 charts per week due to critical Notice to Mariners chart corrections or from other source information. Further, NOAA typically issues 25 - 30 new edition nautical charts monthly. Yet a recent survey shows that 55% of recreational mariners don't update their charts. Further, 47% were unaware of the existence of new chart editions, and of those that were aware, 41% did not replace their outdated charts.



The Alliance encourages mariners to recognize the high number of changes made to their nautical charts and to keep their electronic and paper charts current – a responsibility which is inexpensive and easy.



Example: In April 2010, NOAA detected a 12 foot obstruction in the center of the natural, Western Channel of Winyah Bay, SC. This obstruction cut the available water almost in half. Within days the obstruction was listed in NOAA's online Critical Corrections, and the Raster Navigational Charts, Electronic Navigational Charts, and On-Line Chart Viewer were updated and available. Ten days later this critical correction was published in the Local Notice to Mariners. Did you correct your chart?



Visit the Alliance Internet site at <http://www.AllianceForSafeNavigation.org> for more information. Visit NOAA at <http://NauticalCharts.NOAA.gov> and Alliance member sites for up-to-date products – many of which are free.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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