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Product Recall - Certain Copies of Chart JP1055A - Northern Part of Nagoya Ko

Certain copies of Admiralty Chart JP1055A Northern Part of Nagoya Ko have been printed with anomalies to the magenta information.

The affected batches are identified by the date of printing on the thumb label on the reverse of the chart, which will be as below and any dates in-between:

- 22nd September 2011, shown as 09/22/2011
- 28th October 2011, shown as 10/28/2011

All of the print runs listed above are being recalled

Admiralty Chart Distributors have been informed of this issue and provided with enough correct charts from a later print batch to replace your chart.

You should take the following action:

- Check your chart inventory and remove any copy of JP1055A with the dates referenced above.
- Tear the thumb label from the chart, as this may be required by your Admiralty Distributor, and destroy the chart.
- Contact your Admiralty Distributor to inform them that you have one of the affected charts and require a replacement.

All customers who have been supplied with an affected chart will be provided with a correct replacement free of charge through their distributor, who may require the thumb label from the chart in order to verify the batch.

UKHO apologise for any inconvenience caused by this incident.

Please direct any enquiries to UKHO Customer Services:

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ADMIRALTY AVCS AND ECDIS SERVICE

ENC Check Dataset

The UKHO supplied an ENC check dataset on CD to AVCS and ECDIS service customers along with other CD media issued in week 45/11. Instructions for use are provided on the CD insert.

The check dataset was provided on behalf of the International Hydrographic Organization (IHO). It is designed to highlight those ECDIS that are unable to display the latest IMO approved chart features and those that may show the anomalous display and alarm behaviour (as described below).

Instructions on how to use the check dataset and further background information are contained in the INFO folder of the week 45 Update CD. This information can also be accessed from the IHO website (www.iho.int). The check dataset is also being made available to mariners by other ENC service providers.

Mariners are strongly encouraged to complete the checks and provide feedback to the IHO. The combined results of the checks will be used to provide a report to the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Maritime Safety Committee. If you have not received the check dataset CD then please contact your ENC distributor.

Use of ECDIS - Anomalous display and alarm behaviour in some systems.

Further examples of anomalous display and alarm behaviour have been noted in some ECDIS. A revised NAVAREA 1 warning (317/10) was issued on 30 October 2010 (see below). Some of this anomalous behaviour appears to relate to software implementation issues, especially in early ECDIS models.

In addition to reminding mariners not to rely solely on the automated checks and alarms for dangers provided by ECDIS during route planning and voyage monitoring, the NAVAREA warning highlights the need to maintain ECDIS software to ensure any limitations in operational capability are resolved. It recommends that appropriate checks are made with equipment manufacturers, especially where the ENC display is the only source of chart information available.

⊙ denotes chart available in the ARCS series.