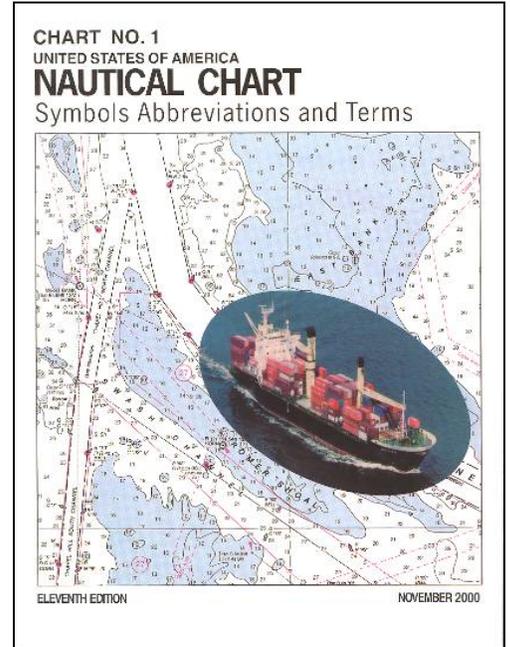


NOAA Nautical Charting Calendar

Chart No. 1

“Nautical Chart Symbols, Abbreviations and Terms” is a reference publication depicting basic chart elements and containing a description of the symbols, abbreviations and terms that appear on nautical charts produced by the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and the International Hydrographic Organization. It is a valuable aid for new chart users and a useful tool for all mariners. Chart No. 1 is no longer available in print, but can be downloaded and printed for free from <http://NauticalCharts.NOAA.gov/mcd/chartno1.htm>.

U.S. nautical charts do not fully comply with the standard international symbology. For example, the buoyage systems used by other countries often vary from that used by the United States. U.S. Charts show the colors, lights and other characteristics in use. In the U.S. system, on entering a channel from seaward, buoys on the starboard side are red with even numbers, on the port side, green with odd numbers. Lights on buoys on the starboard side of the channel are red, on the port side, green. Mid-channel buoys have red and white vertical stripes and may be passed on either side. Junction or obstruction buoys have red and green horizontal bands, the top band color indicating the preferred side of passage. Compare this practice with the international symbols shown in Chart No. 1.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	Prepared by the Office of Coast Survey, National Ocean Service, NOAA, www.NauticalCharts.NOAA.gov , 1-301-713-2770. Note: You can add your own information to the Charting Calendar using Adobe Reader 7 or later. The tools are found at the Tools -> Commenting, and Tools -> Drawing Markup features of Adobe Reader.		