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AMENDMENTS TO THE GENERAL PROVISIONS ON SHIPS' ROUTEING

- 1 The Maritime Safety Committee, at its seventy-third session (27 November to 6 December 2000), adopted amendments to the General Provisions on Ships' Routeing (resolution A.572(14), as amended), given at annex.

- 2 Member Governments and SOLAS Contracting Governments are invited to bring the annexed amendments to the aforementioned General Provisions to the attention of all concerned.

ANNEX

**AMENDMENTS TO THE GENERAL PROVISIONS ON SHIPS' ROUTEING
(RESOLUTION A.572(14), AS AMENDED)**

Amend the General Provisions on Ships' Routeing, (resolution A.572(14), as amended), as follows:

Section 1

- 1 Paragraph 1.1. In the last part of the paragraph where it says "or grounding in or near environmentally sensitive areas.", amend to " , **grounding or anchoring in or near environmentally sensitive areas.**"

Section 2

- 1 Paragraph 2.1.1. Add the words "**no anchoring areas**" between "areas to be avoided" and "inshore traffic zones"; and
- 2 Renumber existing paragraphs 2.1.14 and 2.1.15 to 2.1.15 and 2.1.16 and add a new paragraph 2.1.14 as follows:

2.1.14 No anchoring area

A routeing measure comprising an area within defined limits where anchoring is hazardous or could result in unacceptable damage to the marine environment. Anchoring in a no anchoring area should be avoided by all ships or certain classes of ships, except in case of immediate danger to the ship or the persons on board.

Section 3

- 1 Paragraph 3.1. Add the words "**or types and quantities of bunker fuel**" after the last word "cargoes"; and
- 2 Paragraph 3.11.4. Add the words "**or types and quantities of bunker fuel**" between "cargoes" and "of a routeing".

Section 4

- 1 Add a new paragraph 4.6.4 as follows:

.4 No anchoring areas (figure 19);

- 2 After Figure 18 insert Figure 19, as given below:

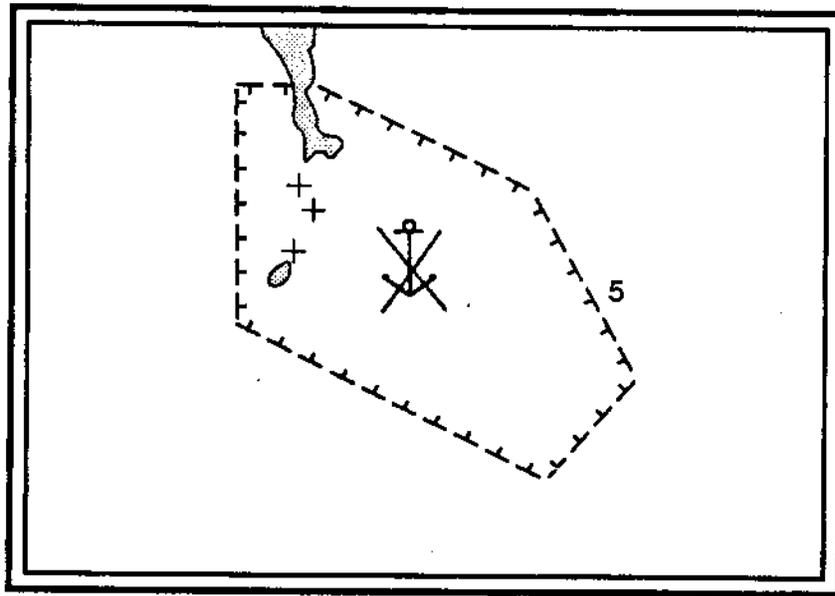


Figure 19 - *No anchoring area*

Section 5

- 1 Renumber existing paragraphs 5.6 to 5.7 and add a new paragraph 5.6 as follows:

When establishing a no anchoring area for all ships or certain classes of ships, the necessity for creating such an area should be well demonstrated and the reasons stated. In general, these areas should be established only in areas where anchoring is hazardous, or where there is a possibility that unacceptable damage to the marine environment could result. The classes of ships which should avoid anchoring in an area should be considered and clearly identified in each particular case.

Section 8

- 1 Paragraph 8.1. Add the words '**or types and quantities of bunker fuel**' after the last word 'cargoes'.

Section 9

- 1 In paragraph 9.2, under the heading of "Legend", add '**No anchoring areas**' and under the heading of "Use of Legend", add '**Shown on charts and referred to in notes.**';
- 2 Table in paragraph 9.3, in row "5 Limits of restricted areas", column "Applications", add the words '**no anchoring areas**' between "avoided" and "and ends";

- 3 Under the heading Notes in paragraph 9.3, in the last sentence, replace "figures 1 to 18" by "figures 1 to 19";
- 4 Paragraph 9.4.16. Add "No anchoring area" on the right side of "Area to be avoided"; and
- 5 Add the following new paragraph 9.5.4 after paragraph 9.5.3:

"9.5.4 No anchoring areas

Notes on conditions governing no anchoring areas (classes and sizes of ships, etc.) should preferably be given on charts and should always be given in *Sailing Directions*."
