

A6 Charts and Publications

13 Navigation Safety Regulations, 2020

The [Navigation Safety Regulations, 2020 \(NSR 2020\)](#) require all ships in waters under Canadian jurisdiction, to have on board, maintain and use appropriate charts, tide tables, lists of lights and other nautical publications issued by or on the authority of the Canadian Hydrographic Service. Some vessels may carry charts and publications issued by the hydrographic office or other relevant government institution of a foreign state.

The NSR 2020 Division 6 provides detailed Canadian requirements for Charts and publications including electronic nautical charts and publications. Mariners should always consult NSR 2020 to ensure compliance.

Many Nautical publications in Canada are now available in electronic form and can be downloaded from the Internet for example [Chart 1 – Symbols, Terms and Abbreviations](#), [chart catalogues](#), [Notices to Mariners \(NOTMAR\)](#), [Sailing Directions](#), [List of Lights, Buoys and Fog Signals](#), [Annual Edition of Notices to Mariners](#), [Radio Aids to Marine Navigation](#), [CCG Ice Navigation in Canadian Waters](#).

An up-to-date list of Canadian charts and nautical publications is available online in the Monthly Edition of *Notices to Mariners* at [Notices to Mariners](#) or [Nautical charts](#).

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