



High density contours in the Finnish ENCs

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Enriched depth information in the Finnish ENCs

A new Nautical Chart Production System (AHTI) with an automatic depth contouring and (semi-) automatic sounding selection tools are in operative use at the Finnish HO.

The Rolling coin —method is used for depth contour processing.

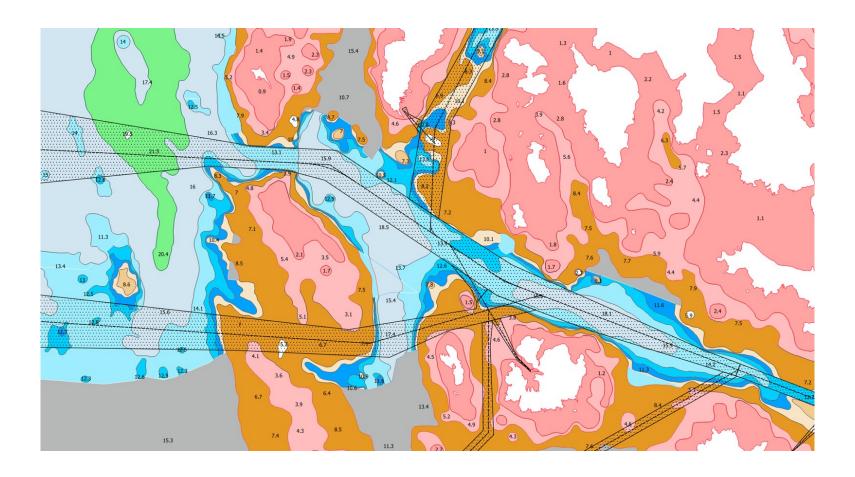
A high density contours will be applied for the major merchant fairways and ports in large scale ENCs i.e Berth, Harbour and Approach products.

As a common rule: A one meter interval DEPCONs and DEPAREs for range between 6 meter depth and depth > one meter over the safe clearance depth of the fairway in question.

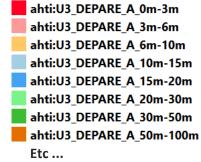
The first set of ENCs including additional contour intervals and respective depth areas was published in January 2022 from the northern part of the Bay of Bothania.



High density depth contours and depth areas

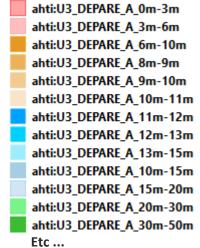


Traditional contour (depth area) intervals on Finnish ENCs and Printed Charts





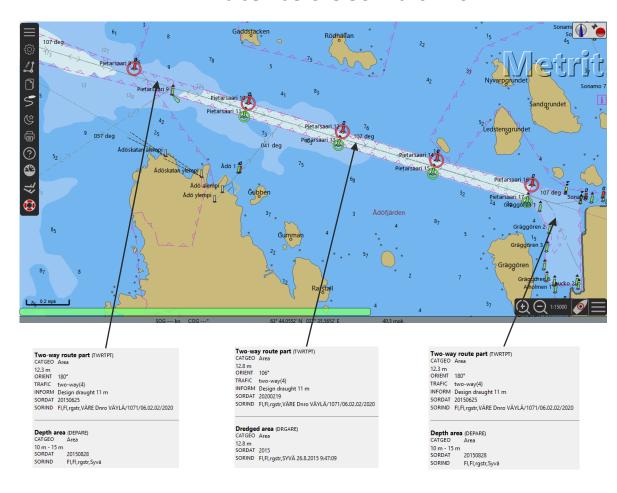
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High density contours from navigators perspective, case Port of Pietarsaari (Jakobstad)

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