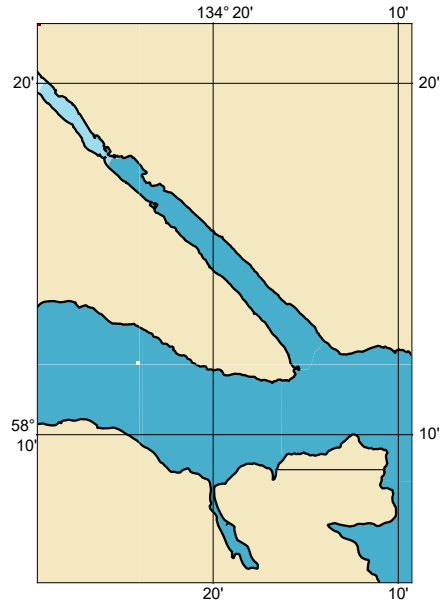


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UNITS IN FATHOMS / FEET

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Zone of Confidence (ZOC) Diagram



ZOC CATEGORIES

ZOC	COLOR	POSITION ACCURACY	DEPTH ACCURACY	SEAFLOOR COVERAGE
A1		$\pm 5 \text{ m} + 5\% \text{ depth}$ $\pm 16.4 \text{ ft} + 5\% \text{ depth}$	$= 0.50 \text{ m} + 1\% \text{ d}$ $= 1.6 \text{ ft} + 1\% \text{ d}$ $= 0.3 \text{ fm} + 1\% \text{ d}$	All significant seafloor features detected.
A2		$\pm 20 \text{ m}$ $\pm 65.6 \text{ ft}$	$= 1.00 \text{ m} + 2\% \text{ d}$ $= 3.3 \text{ ft} + 2\% \text{ d}$ $= 0.6 \text{ fm} + 2\% \text{ d}$	All significant seafloor features detected.
B		$\pm 50 \text{ m}$ $\pm 164.0 \text{ ft}$	$= 1.00 \text{ m} + 2\% \text{ d}$ $= 3.3 \text{ ft} + 2\% \text{ d}$ $= 0.6 \text{ fm} + 2\% \text{ d}$	Uncharted features hazardous to surface navigation are not expected but may exist.
C		$\pm 500 \text{ m}$ $\pm 1640.4 \text{ ft}$	$= 2.00 \text{ m} + 2\% \text{ d}$ $= 6.6 \text{ ft} + 2\% \text{ d}$ $= 1.1 \text{ fm} + 2\% \text{ d}$	Depth anomalies may be expected.
D		Worse than ZOC C	Worse than ZOC C	Large depth anomalies may be expected.
U		Unassessed - The quality of the bathymetric data has yet to be assessed.		

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HEIGHTS

Heights of fixed aids to navigation and vertical clearances of overhead obstructions will be shown in feet if the units are set to feet or fathoms. If units are set to meters, heights will be shown in meters. Land elevation values are shown in meters only.

WATER LEVELS, CURRENTS, AND TIDES

Real-time water levels, tide predictions, and tidal current predictions are available on the internet from NOAA's Center for Operational Oceanographic Products and Services (CO-OPS) at https://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/water_level_info.html and https://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/currents_info.html.

ABBREVIATIONS

For complete list of Symbols and Abbreviations, see Chart No. 1.

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POLLUTION REPORTS

Report all spills of oil and hazardous substances to the National Response Center via 1-800-424-8802 (toll free), or to the nearest U.S. Coast Guard facility if telephone communication is impossible (33 CFR 153).

WARNING

The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Consult U.S. Coast Pilot 8 for important supplemental information.

Refer to charted regulation section numbers.

VERTICAL DATUM

Overhead clearances are referred to Mean High Water (MHW).

COLREGS, 80.1705 (SEE NOTE A)

International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972. The entire area of this chart falls seaward of the COLREGS Demarcation Line.

CAUTION

Temporary changes or defects in aids to navigation are not indicated on this chart. See Local Notice to Mariners.

AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Consult U.S. Coast Guard Light List for supplemental information concerning aids to navigation.

RADAR REFLECTORS

Radar reflectors have been placed on many floating aids to navigation. Individual radar reflector identification on these aids has been omitted from this chart.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information can be obtained at www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov

SOUNDING DATUM

Soundings referred to Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW).

NOTE A

Navigation regulations are published in Chapter 2, U.S. Coast Pilot 8. Additions or revisions to Chapter 2 are published in the Notices to Mariners. Information concerning the regulations may be obtained at the Office of the Commander, 17th Coast Guard District in Juneau, AK or at the Office of the District Engineer, Corps of Engineers in Anchorage, AK.

Refer to charted regulation section numbers.

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CAUTION LIMITATIONS ON THE USE OF RADIO SIGNALS

Limitations on the use of radio signals as aids to marine navigation can be found in the U.S. Coast Guard Light Lists and National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Publication 117.

Radio direction-finder bearings to commercial broadcasting stations are subject to error and should be used with caution.

CAUTION

Glaciers deposit ice which drifts from Holkham Bay into Stephens Passage. Mariners are advised to exercise extreme caution.

CAUTION

The mud flat in front of Taku Glacier is expanding rapidly to the southwest. 1997 survey data reveal that extensive shoaling has occurred from Jaw Point to Davidson Point and is expected to continue. Passage through this area should not be attempted without local knowledge.

CAUTION

Improved channels are subject to shoaling, particularly at the edges.

NOAA WEATHER RADIO BROADCASTS

The NOAA Weather Radio station listed below provides continuous weather broadcasts. The reception range is typically 20 to 40 nautical miles from the antenna site, but can be as much as 100 nautical miles for stations at high elevations.
Juneau, AK WXJ-25 162.550 MHz

CAUTION SUBMERGED CABLES AND PIPELINES

Additional uncharted submarine pipelines and submarine cables may exist within the area of this chart. Not all submarine pipelines and submarine cables are required to be buried, and those that were originally buried may have become exposed. Mariners should use extreme caution when operating vessels in depths of water comparable to their draft in areas where pipelines and cables may exist, and when anchoring, dragging or trawling.

Covered wells may be marked by lighted or unlighted buoys.

CAUTION

Due to shoaling at Mendenhall Bar, mariners are cautioned to attempt passage only at high water with local knowledge. Between buoy "7" and daybeacon "14", unlighted buoys are used to mark the channel from Apr 1 to Oct 15.

CAUTION

The transit of Seymour Canal from Tiedeman Island north should be done with due caution and local knowledge.

LOCAL MAGNETIC DISTURBANCE

Differences of as much as 5° from the normal variation have been observed in Gastineau Channel in the vicinity of Latitude 58°15'N.