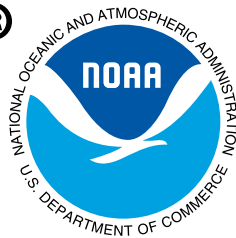


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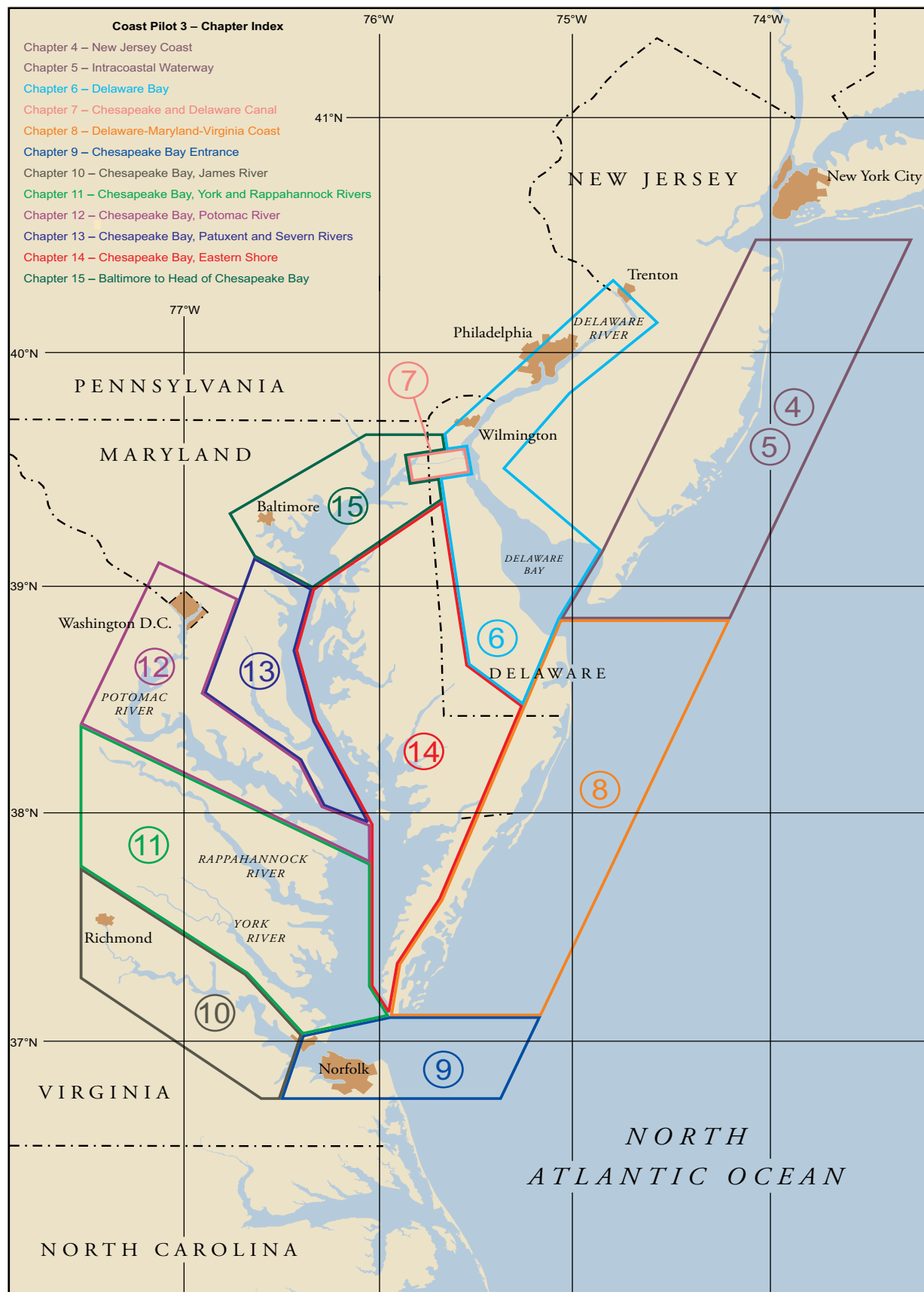
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- (42) Mariners should exercise caution when entering Manasquan Inlet when the winds and tides are opposed; local knowledge is advised.

(43) **Pilotage, Manasquan Inlet**

- (44) Pilotage is compulsory for foreign vessels and U.S. vessels under register. Pilotage is available from the Sandy Hook Pilot Association, 201 Edgewater Street, Staten Island, NY 10305, telephone 718-448-3900, fax 718-876-8055, e-mail: pilotoffice@sandyhookpilots.com. Arrangements for pilotage may be made through ship's agents or directly. A 24-hour advance notice is required.

(45) **ENCs - US4NJ23M, US5NJ30M**
Charts - 12323, 12324

- (46) **Bay Head**, 2 miles south of Manasquan Inlet, is marked by a prominent elevated water tank. From Bay Head south, the resorts are more widely spaced on the low, narrow barrier beach which separates the inside waters from the ocean.

- (47) **Barnegat Inlet**, 21 miles southward of Manasquan Inlet, forms a passage from the Atlantic Ocean through **Oyster Creek Channel** to the New Jersey Intracoastal Waterway and Barnegat Bay. The approach to the inlet is

marked by a lighted whistle buoy about 1.7 miles southeast of the north jetty. The inlet is protected by two jetties marked by lights. A sound signal is at the south jetty light. Two orange and white danger buoys are northeast of the north jetty to mark the submerged jetty between Light 6 and the exposed jetty. Buoys inside the channel are moved frequently and not charted. **Barnegat Light** (39°45'51"N., 74°06'22"W.), on the south side of the inlet, is the most prominent landmark in the area; it is a 163-foot-high brick tower, dark red on its upper half and white on its lower half. The lighted tower is maintained by the State of New Jersey as a historical monument. Also prominent from seaward is a 391-foot-high powerplant stack at the head of Oyster Creek, on the west side of Barnegat Bay.

- (49) Barnegat Inlet Channel and Oyster Creek Channel are subject to continual change due to severe shoaling. The buoys marking these channels are shifted frequently to mark the best water and therefore are not charted. Mariners are advised to use caution and local knowledge. It was reported that various aids marking Oyster Creek Channel may be submerged because of strong tidal currents. Breakers make across the inlet with an ebb tide and an easterly wind. Strangers should not attempt to transit the inlet under any but ideal conditions. Boatmen needing assistance should lay outside the inlet and contact the local Coast Guard station.

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- (50) The current velocity in Barnegat Inlet is about 2.5 knots in the inlet, although currents as high as 7 knots have been reported.

- (51) **Barnegat Light** is a resort town on the south side of Barnegat Inlet. The channel to the small-craft and fishing-boat facilities on the bay side of the town is marked by privately maintained seasonal buoys or markers; these aids are not charted.

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Charts - 12323, 12316

- (53) **Beach Haven Inlet** (39°30.0'N., 74°15.1'W.), 17 miles south-southwestward of Barnegat Inlet, is unmarked. Numerous wrecks and shoal spots are at the entrance. Due to changing conditions of the channel, boatmen are advised to seek local knowledge prior to entering.

- (54) The entrance to Beach Haven Inlet should not be mistaken for Little Egg Inlet, which is close southward. **Beach Haven Coast Guard Station** is inside the barrier beach, 3.2 miles north of Beach Haven Inlet.

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ENCs - US4NJ22M, US5NJ25M, US5NJ20M, US5N-

J24M**Charts - 12318, 12316**

- (56) **Little Egg Inlet**(39°29'00"N., 74°17'30"W.), 19 miles south-southwestward of Barnegat Inlet and close southward of Beach Haven Inlet, is used considerably by local pleasure and fishing boats. Depth over the bar is ample for any vessel that can navigate the inside waters, but in very heavy weather breakers form all the way across the bar. The inlet channels and shoreline are constantly changing; the entrance is well marked, but the buoys are not charted because they are frequently shifted in position. In 2007, an unmarked partially submerged wreck was reported at about 39°29'09"N., 74°17'31"W.; caution is advised.

- (57) **Brigantine Inlet**, 2.6 miles south-southwestward of Little Egg Inlet, has shoaled to such an extent that it is unsafe for even the shallowest drafts. **Brigantine Shoal**, 3 miles south of the inlet, has a least depth of 18 feet.

- (58) **Absecon Inlet**, 8.7 miles southwestward of Little Egg Inlet, is on the northeast side of **Atlantic City**, the largest resort on the New Jersey coast. The inlet is protected at the entrance by jetties; a revetment extends along the Atlantic City side of the inlet. Small-craft facilities are available at a hotel marina on the southwest side of the inlet.

- (60) The entrance channel is subject to continual change and the buoys are frequently shifted to mark the best water.