



Merchant Shipping Directorate



‘FINLAND’S WINTER NAVIGATION 2025–2026’ PUBLICATION

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*Notice to Ship-owners, Ship Operators, Managers, Masters,
Owners’ Representatives and Recognized Organizations*

The Merchant Shipping Directorate draws the attention of all concerned to the publication ‘Finland’s Winter Navigation 2025–2026’.

This publication is primarily intended for deck officers and is compliant with the requirements of the SOLAS Convention, as well as the provisions on route planning and the safe passage of vessels. It contains information and instructions on the special conditions prevailing in the Baltic Sea during the winter season and provides useful guidance for charterers and all parties involved in ensuring smooth and safe winter navigation.

The publication, together with general information on winter navigation, can be accessed [here](#).

In addition, the latest Baltic Sea ice chart during the icebreaking season, can be accessed [here](#).

The Directorate advises all concerned to take the said publications into account when navigating in the region.

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