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Marine Data Alert

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Date: November 24, 2008
Subject: Incorrect tidal current time of occurrence.
Affected Products: C-MAP Max

Jeppesen Marine has identified that C-MAP MAX libraries, which are used in a variety of marine chart plotters, may inaccurately report the time of tidal currents at some stations in North America. While most tidal current predictions are accurate, calculations from some secondary stations may vary, even substantially, as compared with government-issued tide tables.

THEREFORE NAVIGATORS SHOULD NOT RELY EXCLUSIVELY ON TIDAL CURRENT PREDICTIONS (TIME, SPEED OR DIRECTION) AS DISPLAYED BY C-MAP MAX. THESE SHOULD ALWAYS BE SUPPLEMENTED BY CONSULTATION WITH UP-TO-DATE, OFFICIAL SOURCES OF SUCH INFORMATION.

Jeppesen Marine is constantly improving tidal calculations in its libraries, and current known limitations will be overcome in all new releases. The ability to apply such improvements to legacy chart plotters however is severely limited by insufficient calculation power on many such plotters, as well as by complex installation logistics. Jeppesen is currently working with chart plotter manufacturer partners to identify where such revision may be possible, and we will post notice of all revisions on our web site as they become available.

WHERE POSSIBLE WE RECOMMEND THAT AN IMPROVED VERSION OF THE NAVIGATION SOFTWARE BE INSTALLED ELIMINATING TIDAL CALCULATION INACCURACIES

Additional Information

Jeppesen Marine reminds navigators that nautical chart information is constantly changing.

National Hydrographic Authorities periodically publish new and updated information. As it is received, Jeppesen Marine incorporates the updated information into new and existing products. These changes are available to our customers for purchase.

Therefore, navigators should check their Jeppesen Marine products to make sure that they have the most current version available. If your products are outdated, Jeppesen Marine urges you to update them via authorized dealers and resellers, or directly through Jeppesen Marine.

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