

20.01.2026

### Restrictions to Navigation

	Harbour/District	At least dwt/hp/kW	Ice Class	Begin
<b>Estonia</b>	Pärnu	1600 kW	1C	07.01.
<b>Finland</b>	Tornio, Kemi and Oulu	2000 dwt	IA	17.01.
	Raahe, Kalajoki, Kokkola and Pietarsaari	2000 dwt	I	07.01.
	Vaasa, Kotka and Hamina	2000 dwt	II	07.01.
	Lake Saimaa and Saimaa Canal	2000 dwt	IB	19.01.
<b>Poland</b>	Szczecin	1800 kW	PRS-L4	11.01.
	Fairway Szczecin- Swinoujscie	1800 kW	PRS-L4	11.01.
<b>Russia</b>	Vyborg and Vysotsk	-	Ice 1	13.01.
<b>Sweden</b>	Karlsborg	2000 dwt	IB	13.01.
	<b>Karlsborg</b>	<b>2000 dwt</b>	<b>IA</b>	<b>25.01.</b>
	Lulea	2000 dwt	I	23.12.
	<b>Lulea</b>	<b>2000 dwt</b>	<b>IB</b>	<b>25.01.</b>
	Haraholmen and Skelleftehamn	2000 dwt	I	03.01.
	<b>Haraholmen and Skelleftehamn</b>	<b>2000 dwt</b>	<b>IB</b>	<b>25.01.</b>
	Holmsund	2000 dwt	I	13.01.
	Husum, Örnköldsvik, Köpmanholmen	2000 dwt	II	10.01.
	Angermanälven	2000 dwt	IB	10.01.
	Härnösand, Sundsvall, Stocka, Hudiksvall, Iggesund, Söderhamn, Orrskär, Norrsundet, Gävle, Skutskär	2000 dwt	II	13.01.
	Köping and Västerås	2000 dwt	I	13.01.
	Balsta	1300/2000 dwt	IC/II	13.01.
	Göta Älv/Trollhätte Kanal, Lake Vänern	1300/2000 dwt	IC/II	10.01.
	<b>Göta Älv/Trollhätte Kanal, Lake Vänern</b>	<b>2000 dwt</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>25.01.</b>

#### Estonia

**Icebreaker:** EVA-316 assists to the port of Pärnu.

#### Finland/Sweden

Vessels bound for Gulf of Bothnia ports in which assistance restrictions apply, shall when passing latitude 60° 00' N report their nationality, name, destination, ETA and speed to ICE INFO on VHF channel 82. This report can also be given directly by telephone to +46 10 492 7600.

Vessels bound for Finnish or Swedish ports with assistance restrictions in the Quark or the Bay of Bothnia shall, 20 nautical miles before Nordvalen Lighthouse (63° 32.15' N 20° 46.60' E), report in accordance with the instructions for winter navigation to Bothnia VTS on VHF channel 67.

The traffic separation scheme in the Quark is temporarily out of use.

**Icebreakers:** OTSO, ZEUS, FREJ, ALE, FENNICA and VOIMA assist in the Bay of Bothnia. IDUN assists in the Quark. CALYPSO assists in the Gulf of Finland. MATARI and TYRSKY assist in the Lake Saimaa.

## Germany

**From 14.01.2026:** Only daytime navigation is allowed in the northern approach to Stralsund (including Bodden waters west), eastern approach to Stralsund (from the sea mark „Landtief B“ to the ports of the Bight of Greifswald and to the harbour Stralsund) and to the ports of Peenestrom.

## Poland

Kolobrzeg harbour – Shipping not available for units with wooden and laminate hulls and for vessels without ice strengthening in waters with ice cover

Darlowo harbour – Shipping not available for units with wooden and laminate hulls and for vessels without ice strengthening in waters with ice cover

Dziwnow harbour – Shipping not available for vessels without ice strengthening and for vessels without ice strengthening in waters with ice cover

Swinoujscie harbour – Shipping not available for units with wooden and laminate hulls and for vessels without ice strengthening in waters with ice cover

Vistula Lagoon - Elblag, Nowy Swiat, Frombork, Tolkmicko - shipping terminated

## Russia

There are restrictions for small crafts going to St. Petersburg, Vyborg and Vysotsk.

**Icebreakers:** Several icebreakers assist vessels to the port of St. Petersburg, Vyborg, Vysotsk, Primorsk and Ust-Luga.

From 13.01. for Vyborg and Vysotsk: Barge towed by tug not allowed to navigate in ice. Vessels without ice class only with icebreaker. Vessels with ice class 'Ice1' or higher with an icebreaker or according to icebreaker's instructions.