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Subject: Acceptance of digital publications as meeting the requirements of SOLAS V/27

This is to confirm you that the following UKHO digital nautical publications may be carried on Liberian ships

1) Admiralty Digital Lists of Lights,
2) Total Tide, and
3) Admiralty List of Radio Signal

SOLAS V/27 states: Nautical charts, and nautical publications, such as sailing directions, list of lights, notice of mariners, tide tables and all other publications necessary for the intended voyage shall be adequate and up to date. It does not state these publications must be in print.

The Administration accepts Sailing Directions, List of Lights, Notices to Mariners, Tide Tables and other nautical publications necessary for the intended voyage in electronic digital format, as meeting the requirements of Regulation V/27 of reference (b), provided:

- The information is provided officially or on behalf of a government authorized Hydrographic Office or other relevant government institution (UKHO is such an office),
- The electronic chart display, information system and back up arrangements allow instant access to the nautical publications without distortion or obstruction, and
- The ship’s master and navigational officers are trained in the use of the system.

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