

Notice to Skippers No. 34/2021

Pursuant to Article 43 point 6 of the Act of 21 December 2000 on inland navigation (Dz. U. /Journal of Laws/ of 2020, item 1863), the Polish Waters State Water Holding Company, Regional Water Management Board in Szczecin, in agreement with the Office of Inland Navigation in Szczecin and in agreement with the Oder - Havel Waterway and Shipping Authority in Eberswalde hereby informs that in connection with the approaching winter period during which ice phenomena are expected to occur, on 25 November 2021 the waterway administration will commence the reduction of navigation signage in the 3rd operational section of the Oder River, i.e. at 617.6 – 667.2 kms.

At the same time, we would like to inform you that in connection with the reduction of navigation signage as of 25 November 2021, the navigation signage on section III of the Oder River does not meet the requirements for night navigation and does not comply with the requirements specified in Art. 7 item 1 of the ordinance of the Director of the Inland Navigation Office in Szczecin of 4 December 2009 on navigation in border waters of the Oder, the Western Oder and the Lusatian Neisse (Dz.Urz./ Official Journal / of Zachodniopomorskie Voivodship/ of 2009, no. 94, item. 2704), which regulates the rules of night navigation.

Furthermore, we would like to remind you that the vessels operating during ice formation and navigation closures should proceed to the nearest port or other safe place outside the riverbed and the vessels prepared for navigation should abandon the voyage. Also, hydro contractors on the water should stop work if flooding occurs.

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