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Saco Bay and Vicinity

(NOAA Chart 13287)

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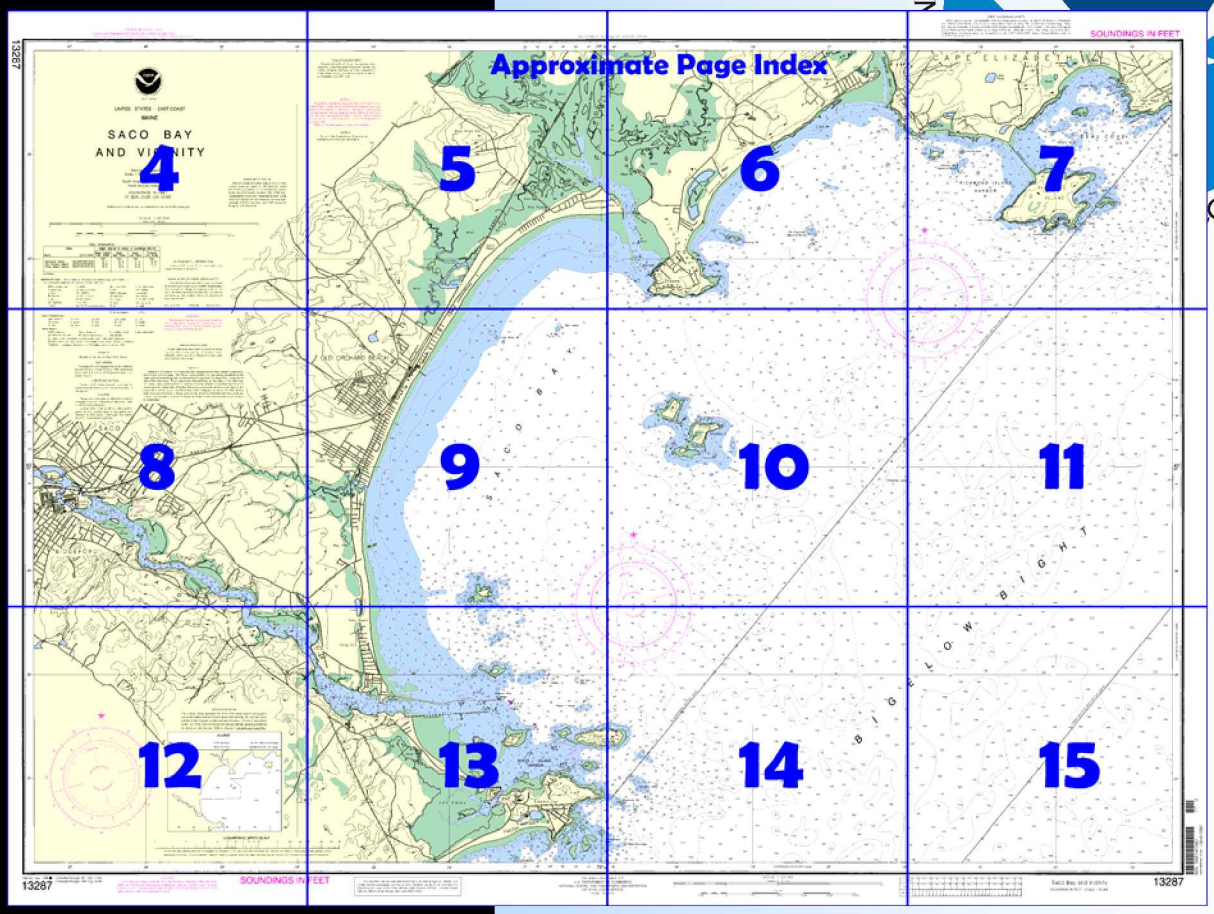

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What is a BookletChart™?

This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

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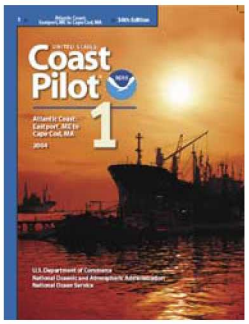

[Coast Pilot 1, Chapter 9 excerpts]

(7) Small craft seeking refuge from westerly and southerly winds anchor in **Broad Cove i**n the lee of **East Point,** the northeast point of Richmond Island, directly off the shore opposite a long, low barn. The bottom is sand and mud.

(8) **Richmond Island Harbor**, westward of Richmond Island and the breakwater, is sheltered from northerly and westerly winds, but is exposed to southwesterly and southerly winds. Foul ground extends 0.4 mile from the northern side of the harbor. The depths shoal gradually from 45 feet at the entrance to 15 feet 350 yards from the breakwater at the head. The holding ground is good, sand and mud.

(16) **Scarborough River** enters the sea about 0.6 mile northwestward of Prouts Neck. The river and its tributaries, the Libby and Nonesuch Rivers, are used by local fishing and pleasure craft in considerable number at half tide or higher.

(17) A dredged channel leads across the bar from Saco Bay, thence into Scarborough River to an anchorage basin about 0.3 mile above Pine Point. In June-November 1981, the channel had shoaled to bare, but with local knowledge a depth of 3 feet could be carried to the anchorage basin; depths of 2 to 4½ feet were available in the southern part. The channel is marked by a daybeacon and buoys. A jetty extends in a southerly direction from Pine Point on the west side of the entrance. Following protracted spells of bad weather the positions of the buoys should not be relied upon as they often do not indicate the best water.

(18) The town pier, on the south side of the anchorage basin, has a depth of 6 feet reported at the float landing. Gasoline, electricity, water, ice, and some marine supplies are available at the pier; guest moorings are maintained. A small-craft launching ramp, usable at or near high tide, is close eastward of the pier.

(26) **Saco River**, with its entrance in the south end of Saco Bay west-northwestward of Wood Island, is the approach to the cities of **Biddeford,** on the south bank, and **Saco** on the north bank. The cities are at the head of navigation 5 miles above the mouth of the river. The **harbormaster** for the river resides there; telephone 207–284–6288.

Prominent features

(30) Saco River is entered through a marked channel that leads over the bar between two jetties, thence to **Factory Island,** the head of river navigation at Biddeford and Saco. A fairway bell buoy, 0.3 mile eastward of Ram Island Ledge, marks the inner approach entrance from Saco Bay. The outer 0.6 mile of the southerly jetty and the outer 0.4 mile of the northerly jetty are covered at high water. The southerly jetty is marked by a buoy off its eastern end and by piers about 260 yards apart and about 10 feet above high water on the jetty; the northerly jetty is marked on the outer end by a daybeacon. In July-September 1999, the controlling depth in the natural channel was 5.9 feet to Brimstone Point about 1.8 miles above the entrance, thence a midchannel controlling depth of 2.6 feet to Cow Island, thence the basin norhwest of Cow Island had depths of 3 to 5 feet surrounding the bare mudflats in the middle of the basin; the area in the vicinity of the submerged pilings at the southeast end of the flats should be avoided. The bar is subject to change; local knowledge is advised.

(31) Small craft can enter the river with a smooth sea and on a rising tide by passing between Ram Island Ledge and Negro Island Ledge and following the buoyed channel over the bar.

(38) At Saco, the float landings of the Saco Yacht Club are on the north shore of the river just northeastward of the eastern end of Factory Island. Depths of 7 feet are reported alongside the float; a small-craft launching ramp is at the club.

(39) A boatyard is on the south side of the river at Biddeford, about 0.2 mile below the bridge to Factory Island. Depths of about 10 feet are reported alongside the floats. Gasoline, diesel fuel by truck, water, ice, and marine supplies are available.

(40) A marina with depths of 10 feet reported alongside its floats is on the north side of the river, about 3.5 miles upriver from the entrance, or 2 miles below Saco. Gasoline, water, and open winter storage facilities are available. Provisions and marine supplies can be obtained at Saco and Biddeford. Provisions can also be obtained near the wharf at Camp Ellis.

(43) **Wood Island Harbor,** south of Wood and Stage Islands, is an anchorage for small and moderate-sized vessels. Anchorage in depths of 18 to 36 feet is available south of Wood Island. Between Negro Island and Stage Island are depths of 17 feet or more in an area about 400 yards across; it is reported that larger yachts anchor in this area.

(44) Small craft can proceed to the southwestern part of Wood Island Harbor and anchor in depths of 6 to 18 feet.

(46) A dredged channel, just southeast of Stage Island, leads through Wood Island Harbor to the entrance of The Pool. In December 1992, the controlling depth was 9 feet (10 feet at midchannel.) A dredged anchorage basin is just inside the entrance to The Pool. In 1992, depths of 4 to 6 feet were available in the basin.

Table of Selected Chart Notes

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

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POLLUTION REPORTS

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NOTE A

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Refer to charted regulation section numbers.

SOURCE DIAGRAM

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UNITED STATES - EAST COAST

MAINE

SACO BAY AND VICINITY

Mercator Projection
Scale 1:20,000 at Lat. 43°30'

North American Datum of 1983
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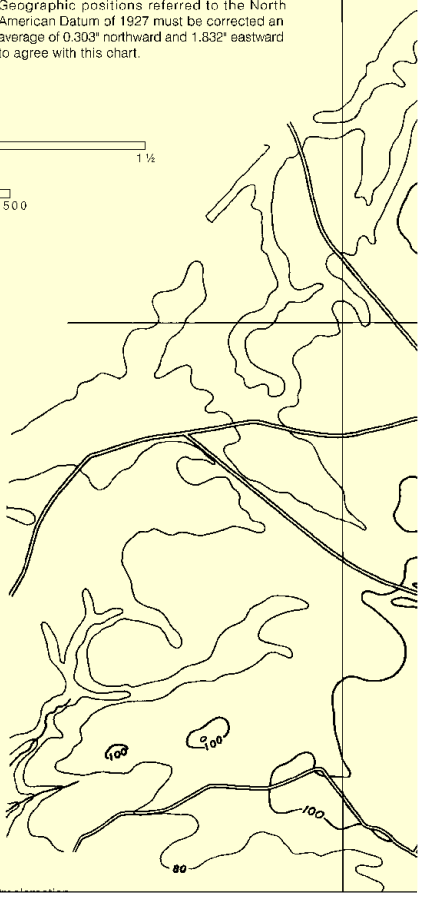

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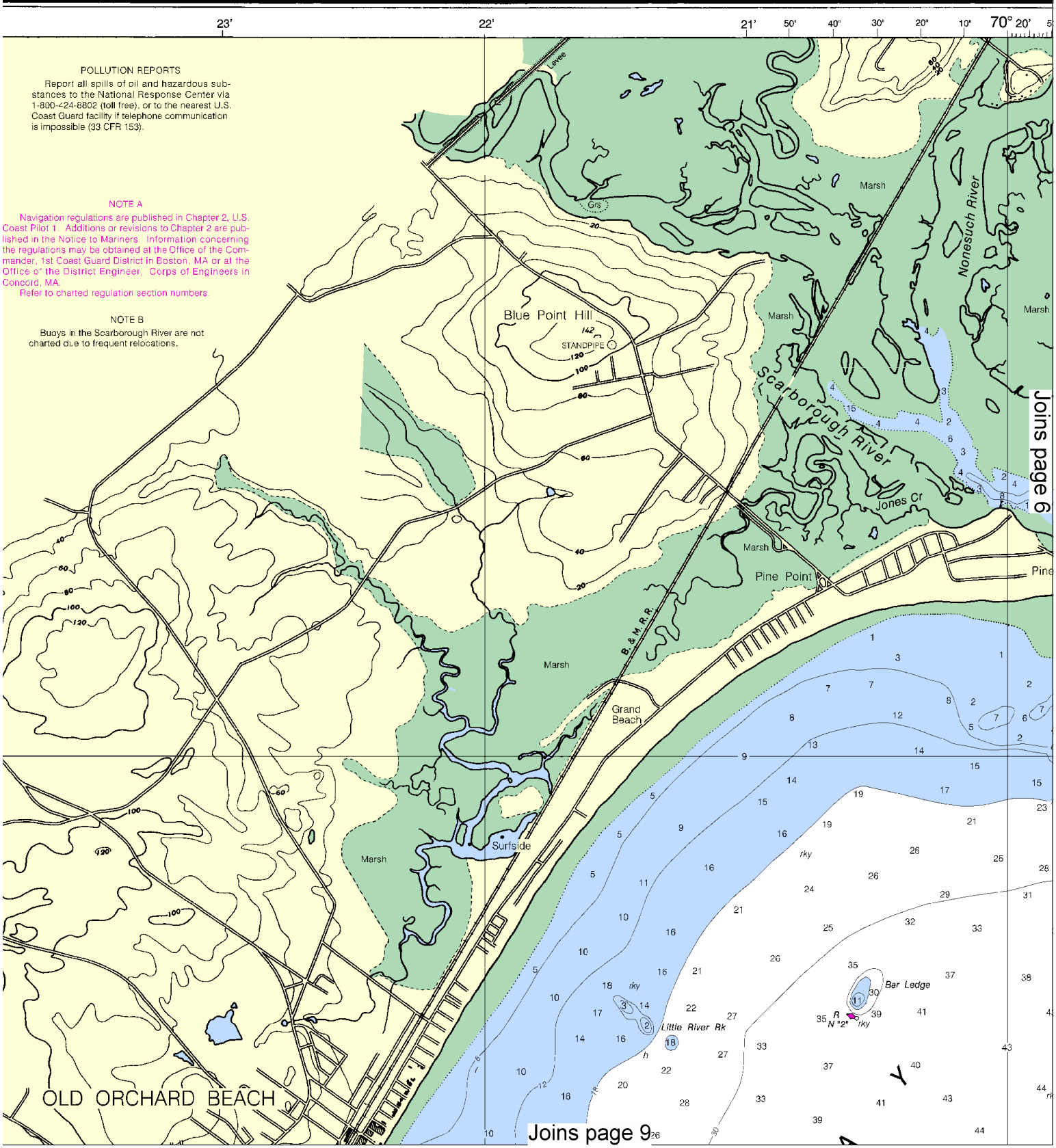

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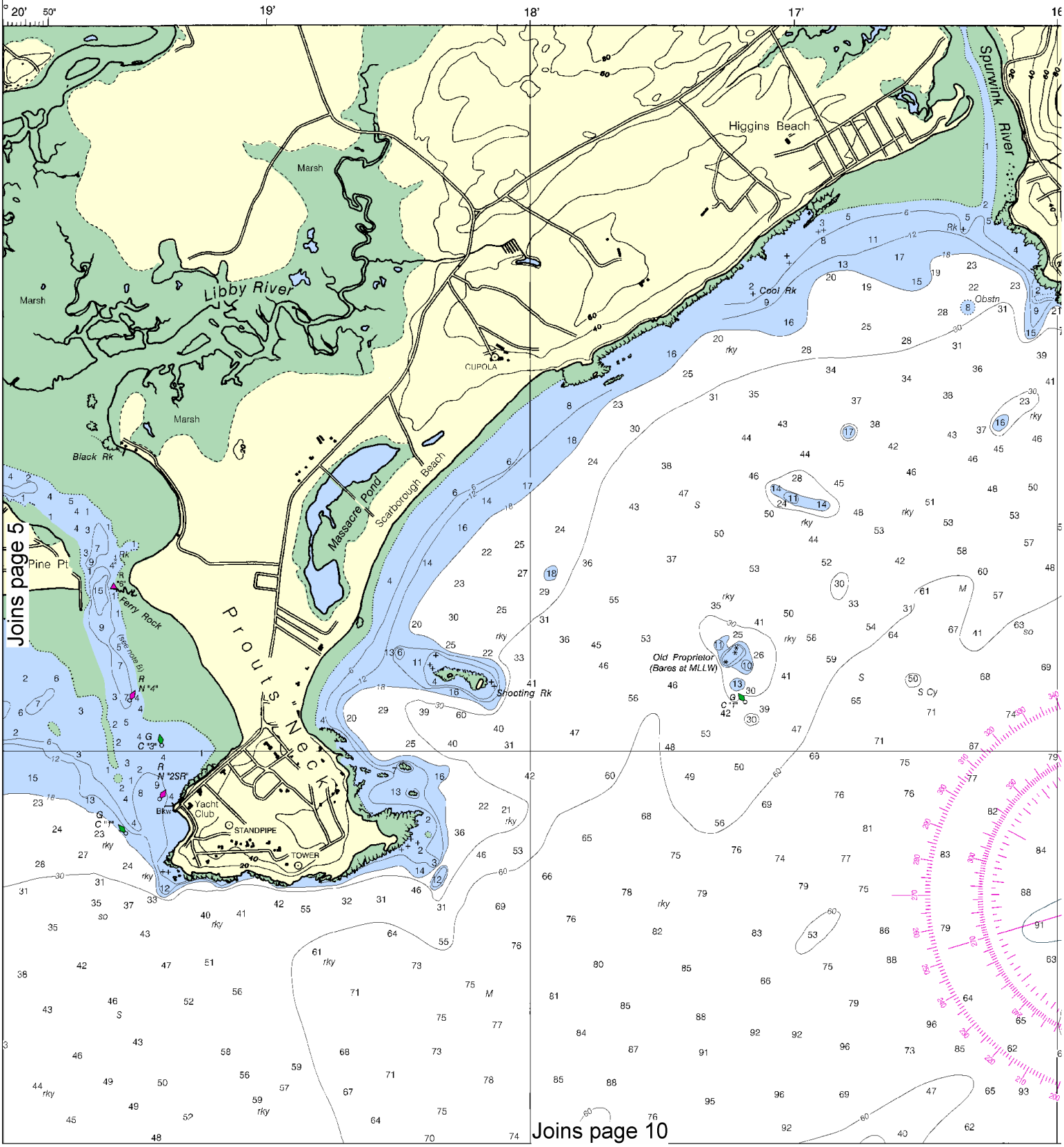

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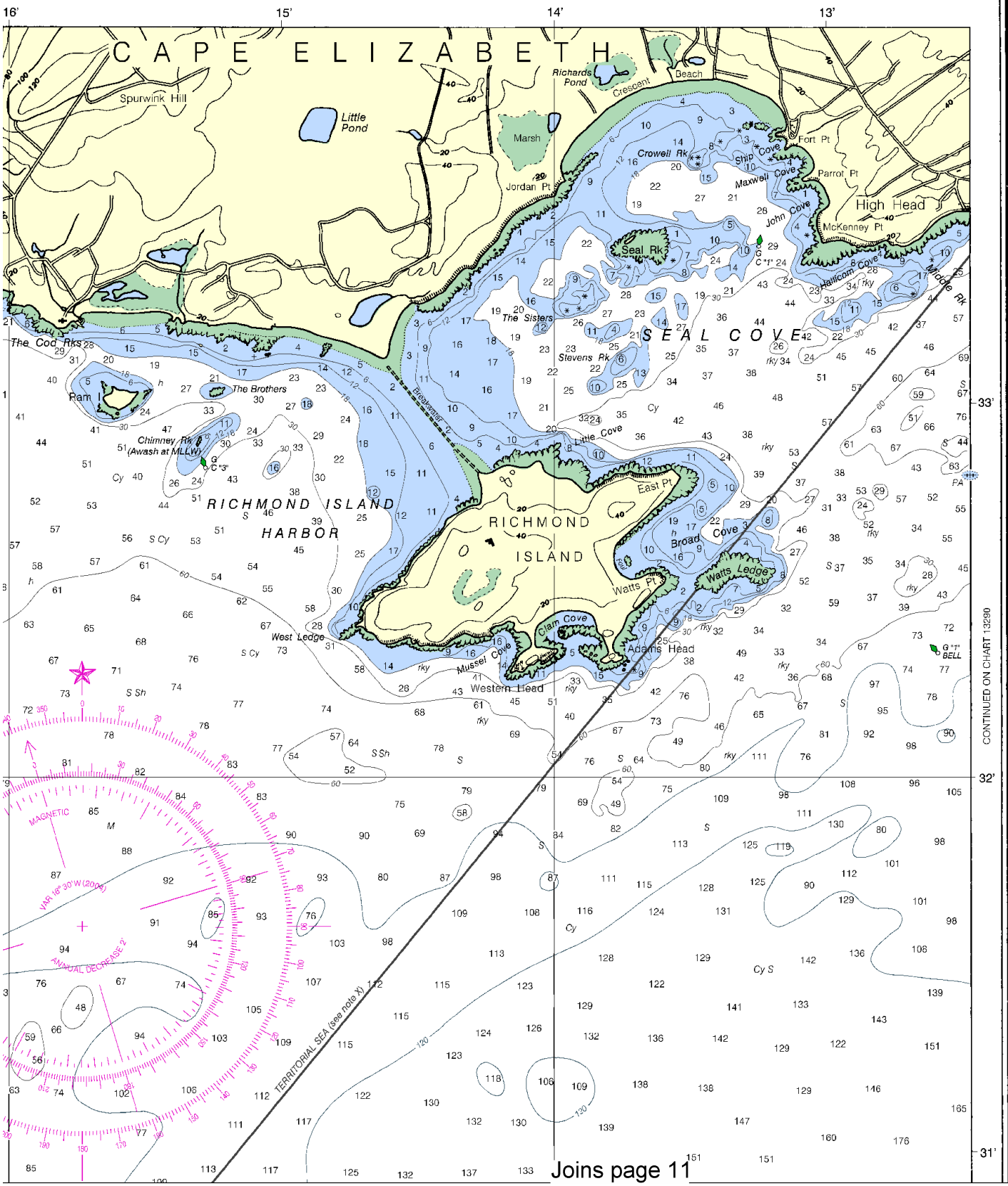

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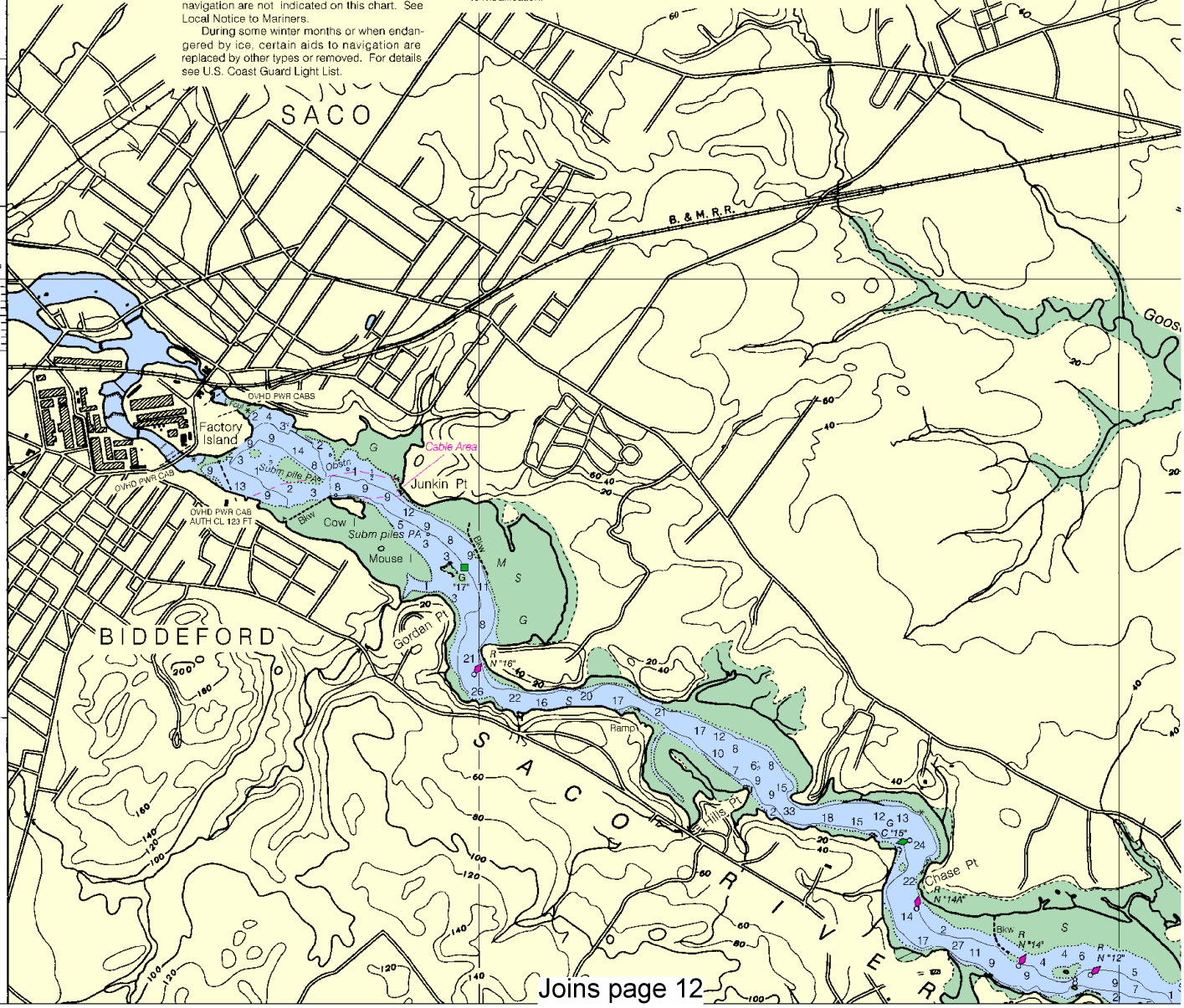

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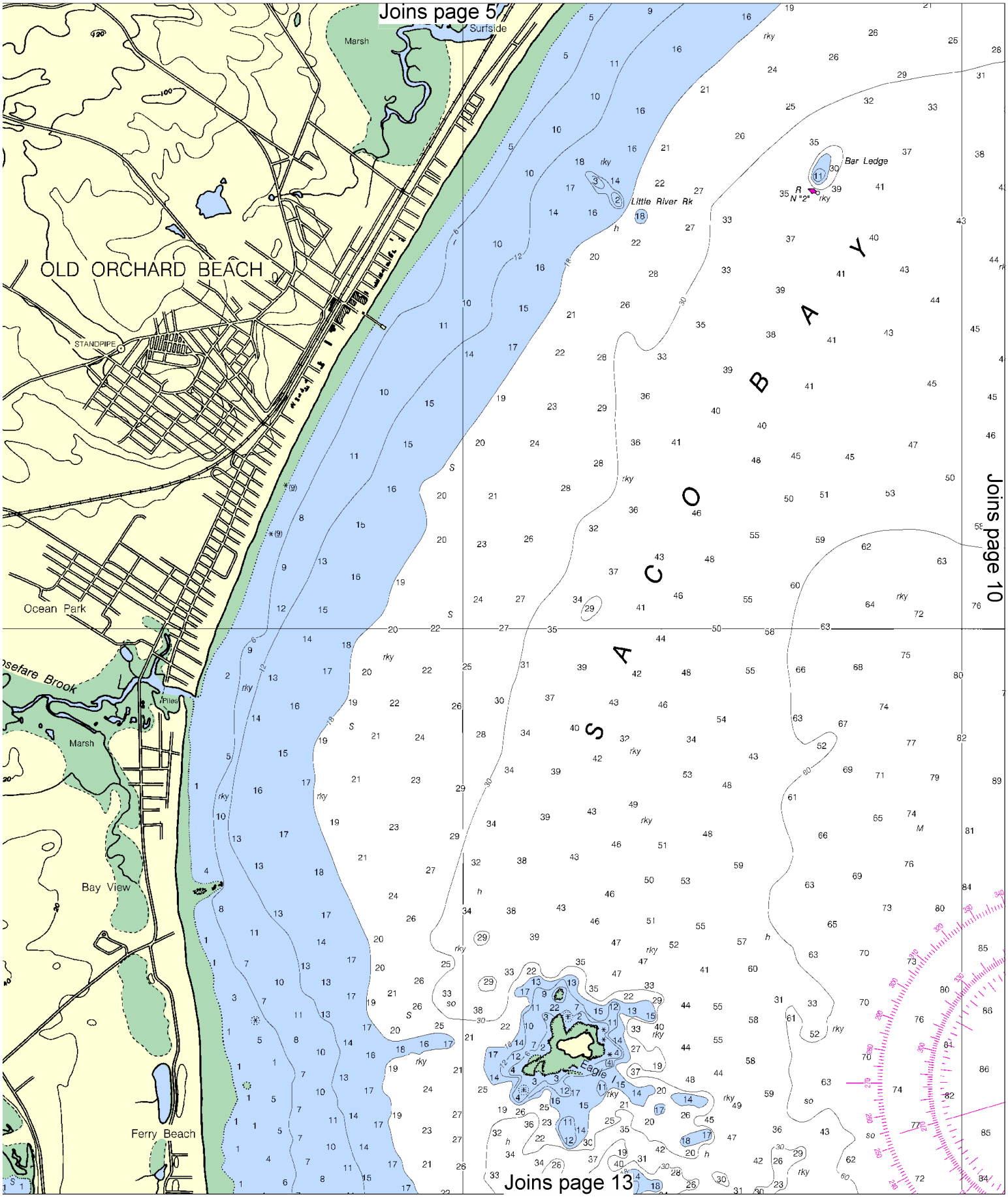
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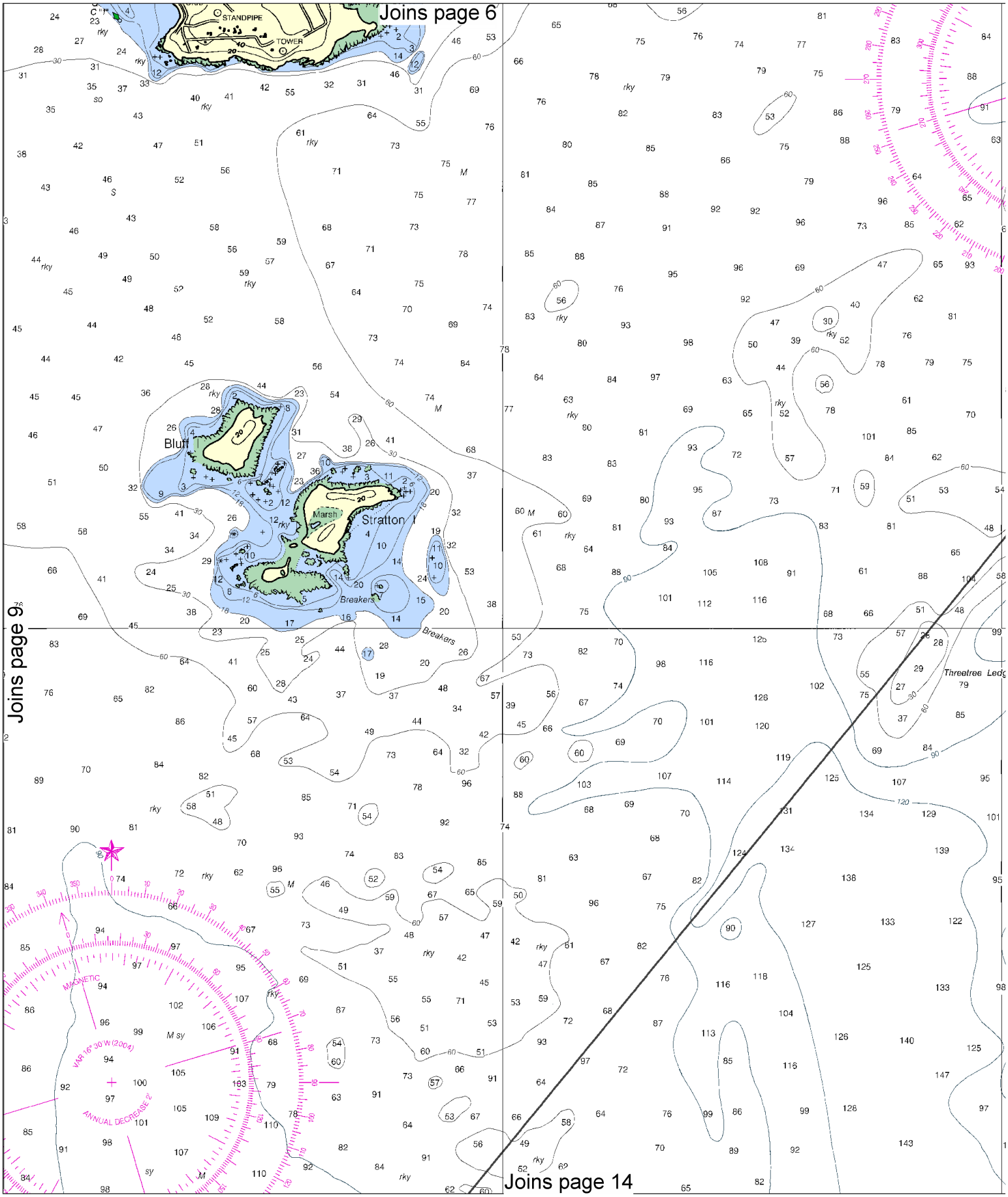

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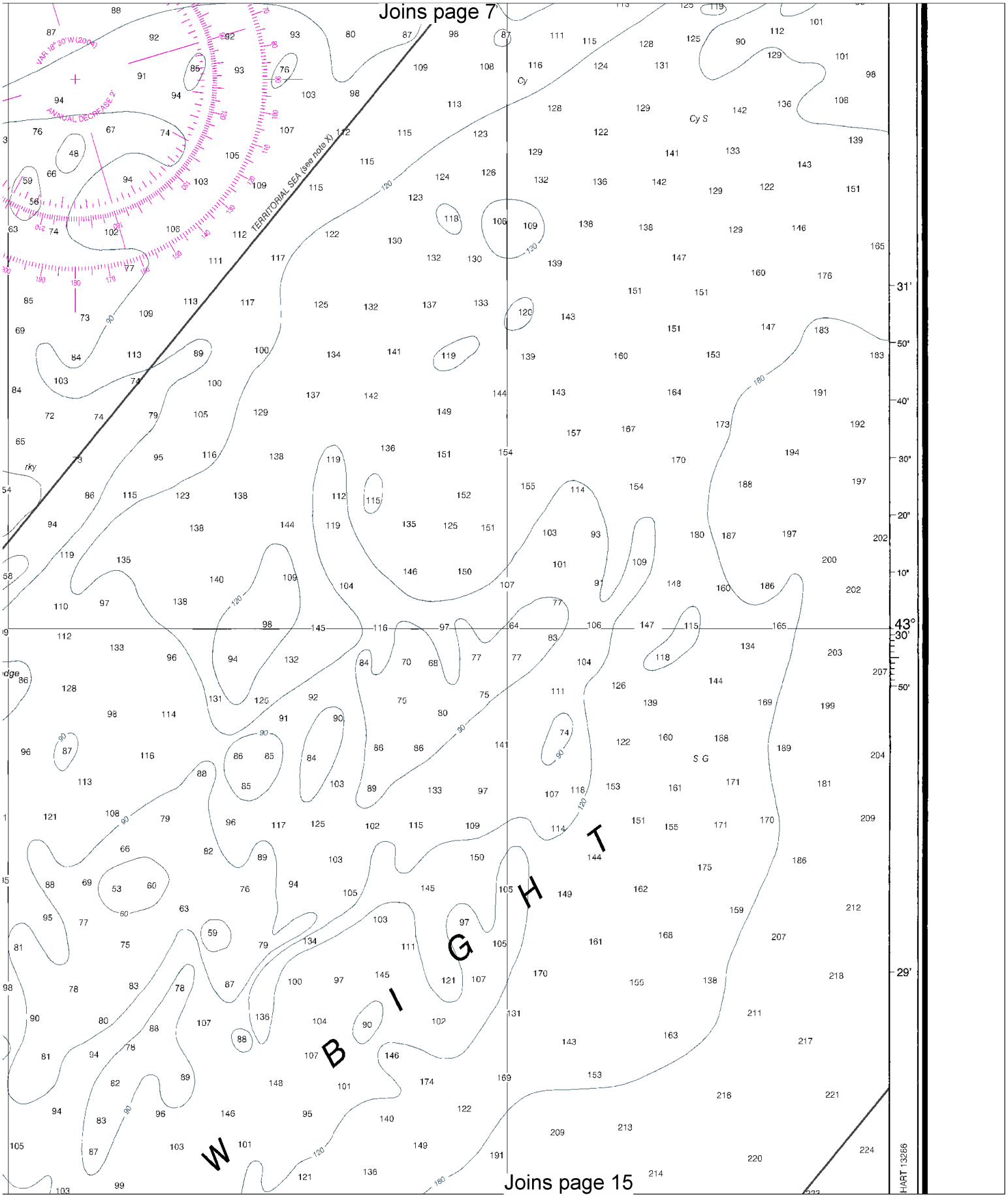
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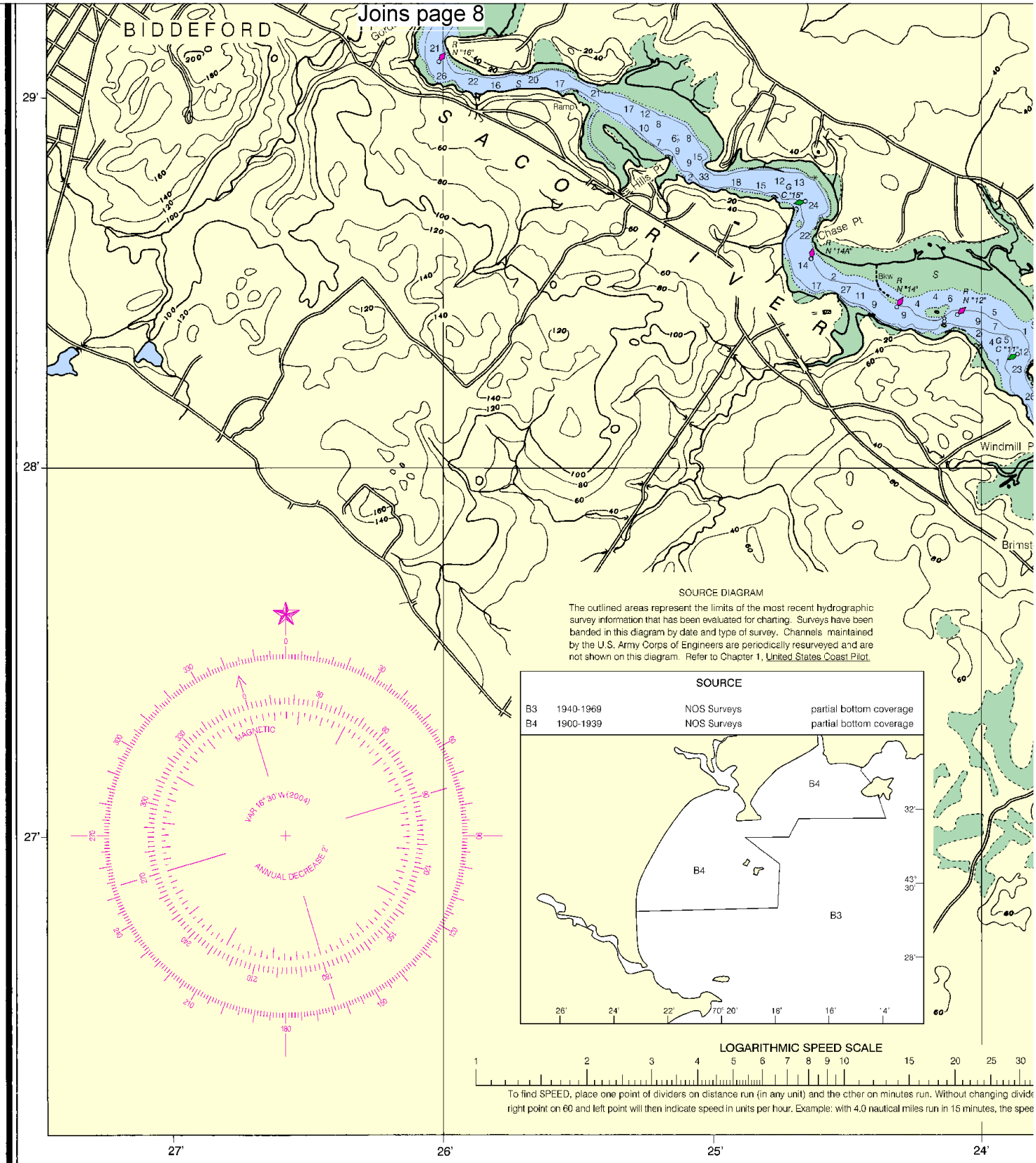

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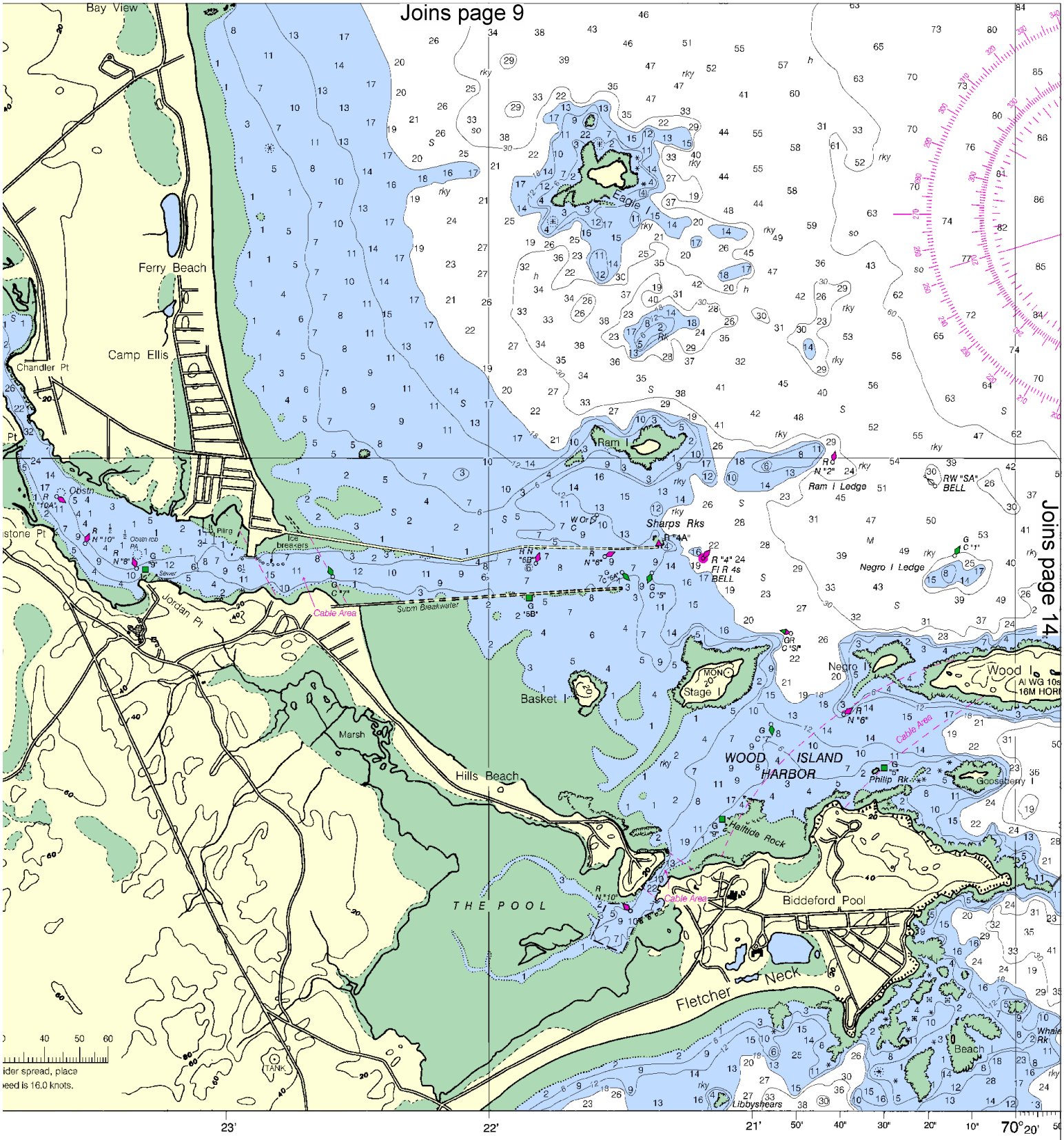

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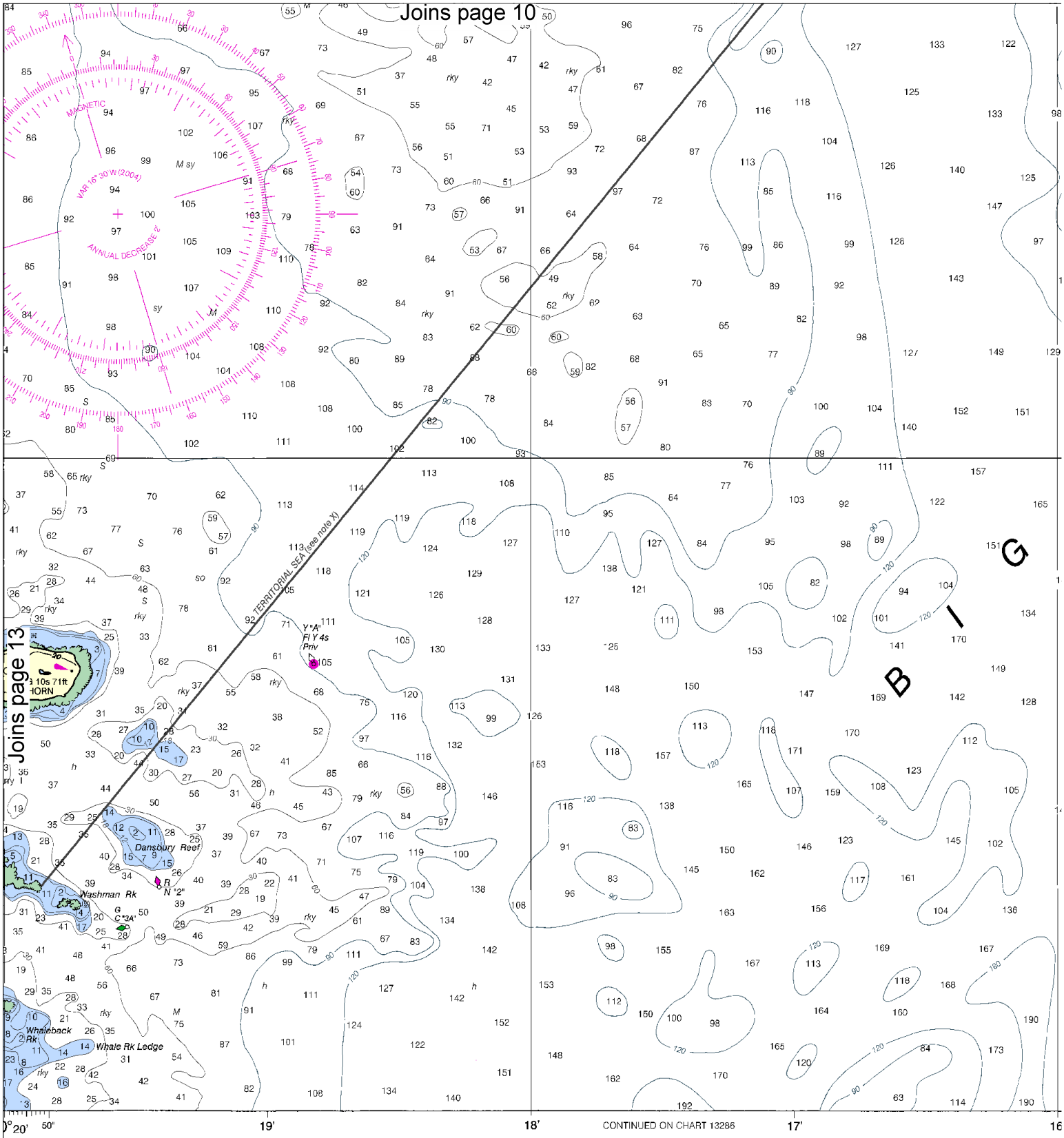

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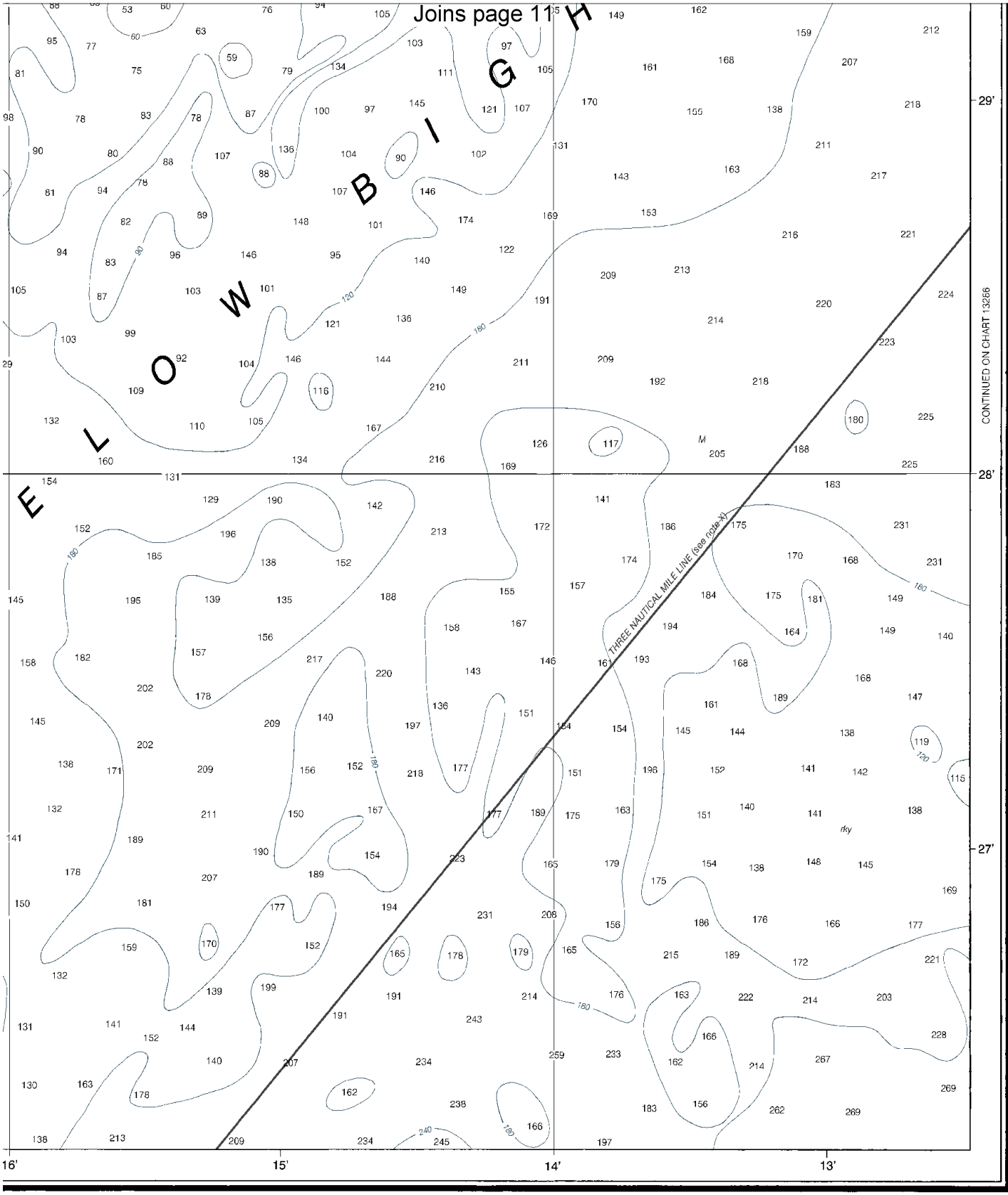

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EMERGENCY INFORMATION

VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

Channel 6 – Inter-ship safety communications.
Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.
Channel 13 – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.
Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.
Channel 22A – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here.
Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 & 78A – Recreational boat channels.

Distress Call Procedures

1. Make sure radio is on.
2. Select Channel 16.
3. Press/Hold the transmit button.
4. Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
5. Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
6. Release transmit button.
7. Wait for 10 seconds – If no response Repeat MAYDAY Call.

HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS !!

Mobile Phones – Call 911 for water rescue.
Coast Guard Group Portland – 207-767-0302
Coast Guard South Portland – 207-767-0363/0303
Maine Marine Patrol – 207-657-3030
Coast Guard Atlantic Area Cmd – 757-398-6390

NOAA Weather Radio – 162.400 MHz, 162.425 MHz, 162.450 MHz, 162.475 MHz, 162.500 MHz, 162.525 MHz, 162.550 MHz.

Getting and Giving Help – Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.

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