

Welcome to the update page for the new edition of North Sea Passage Pilot. Our sources of information covering routes, buoyage and regulation include the Dutch, Belgian and French navigation authorities and the NtMs they issue as well as deep water information from windfarm, oil and gas exploration companies and the UK authorities. We also welcome comments and information from readers.

**A new wind farm is being constructed to the S of the entrance channel to Ijmuiden. It incorporates the existing Luchturduinen windfarm in effect extending it W and SW. It is called the Hollandse Kust. There is a passage through the new construction area which has been clearly marked.**

**4295(P)/2023 NORTH SEA - Netherlands Sector - Wind farm. Buoyage. Restricted area.**

Source: Netherlands Notice 43/328(P)/23  
(SEP: 2023000286387 - 354478).

1. A new passage through Hollandse Kust (zuid) wind farm, marked by 8 lateral buoys, has been established. The entire wind farm remains a prohibited area. The exception is the new passage bounded by the following positions:

52° 20'·63N., 3° 55'·51E.

52° 20'·60N., 3° 59'·98E.

52° 22'·43N., 4° 14'·07E.

52° 21'·34N., 4° 13'·24E.

52° 19'·24N., 3° 55'·06E.

2. The following cardinal buoys have been removed:

***Name Type Position***

*WF-HZ-1N* North Cardinal Buoy 52° 23'·71N., 4° 02'·66E.

*WF-HZ-2N* North Cardinal Buoy 52° 25'·75N., 4° 14'·01E.

*WF-HZ-1E* East Cardinal Buoy 52° 22'·48N., 4° 14'·50E.

*WF-HZ-2E* East Cardinal Buoy 52° 17'·21N., 4° 10'·17E.

*WF-HZ-3E* East Cardinal Buoy 52° 11'·91N., 4° 03'·50E.

*WF-HZ-1W* West Cardinal Buoy 52° 22'·04N., 3° 55'·65E.

*WF-HZ-2W* West Cardinal Buoy 52° 17'·08N., 3° 55'·41E.

*WF-HZ-3W* West Cardinal Buoy 52° 12'·77N., 3° 56'·71E.

3. Passage access restrictions are as follows:

a) Vessels of over 46 metres are prohibited.

b) The use of AIS and VHF channel 16 is compulsory.

c) Anchoring, fishing, diving is prohibited.

d) It is prohibited to enter a zone of 150 metres around all wind turbines.

4. Mariners are advised to navigate with caution in the area.

(WGS84 DATUM)

**Charts affected - 125 (INT 1422) - 130 (INT 1423) - 1630 (INT 1416) - 1631 (INT 1418)**

