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# Port of Batumi

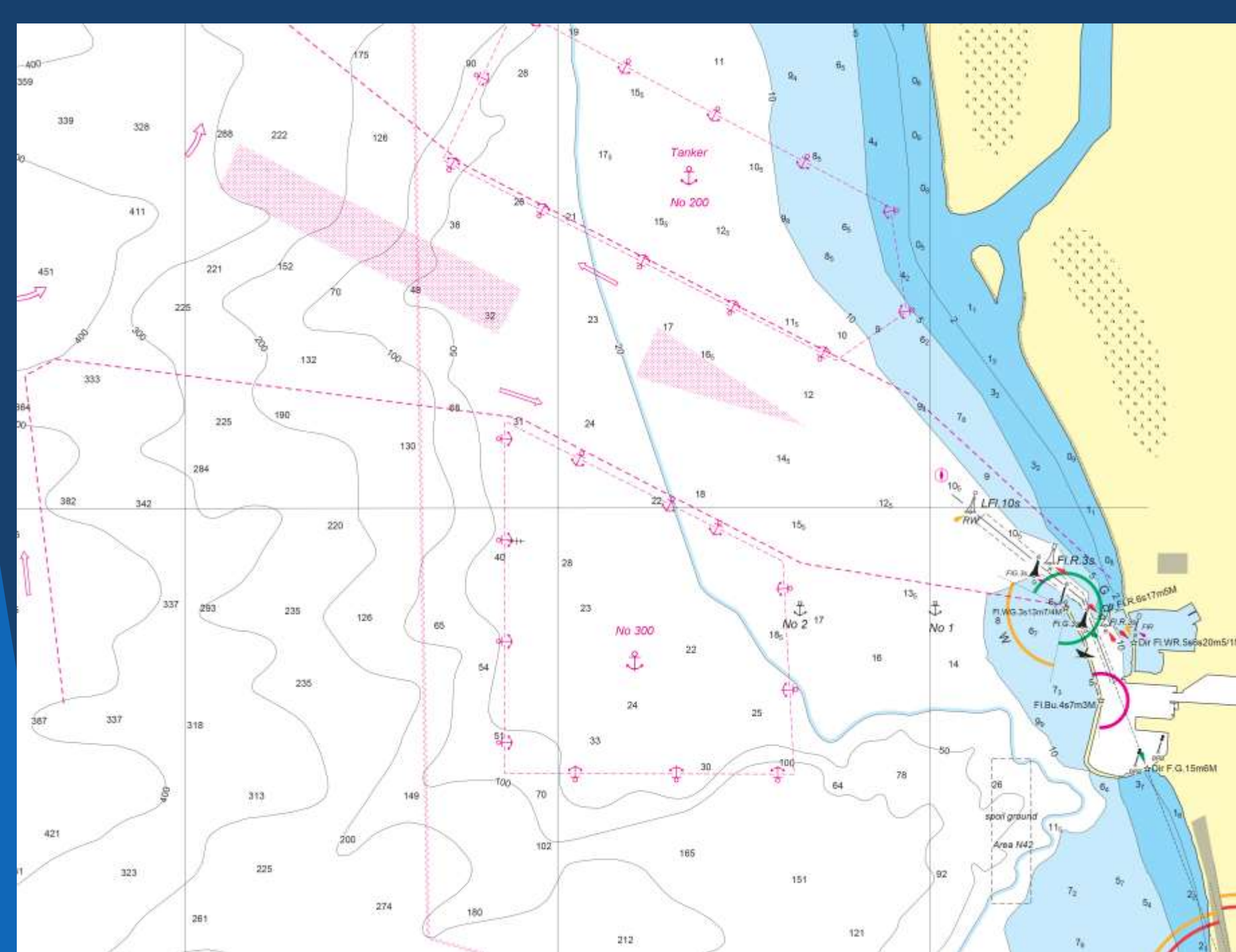






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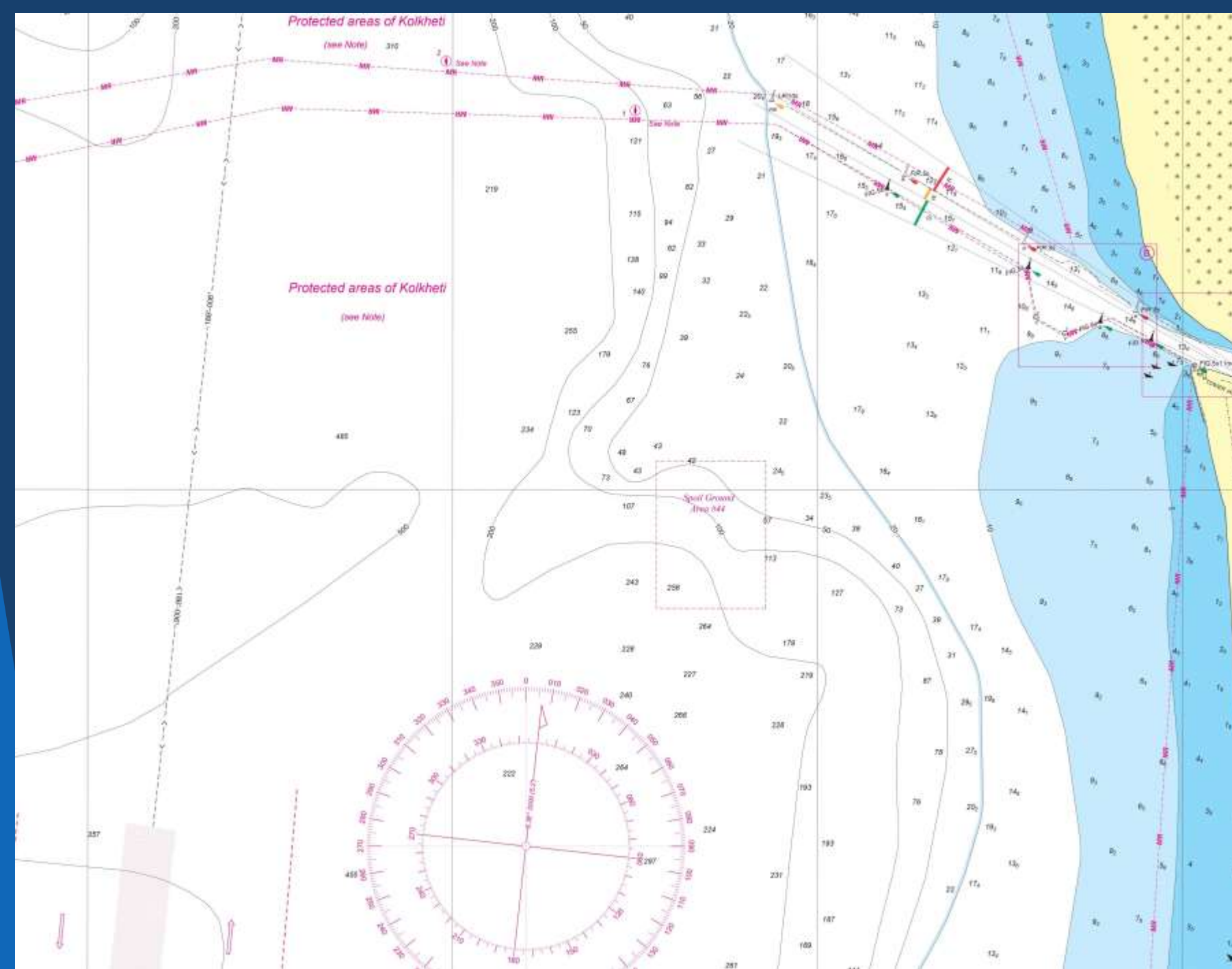




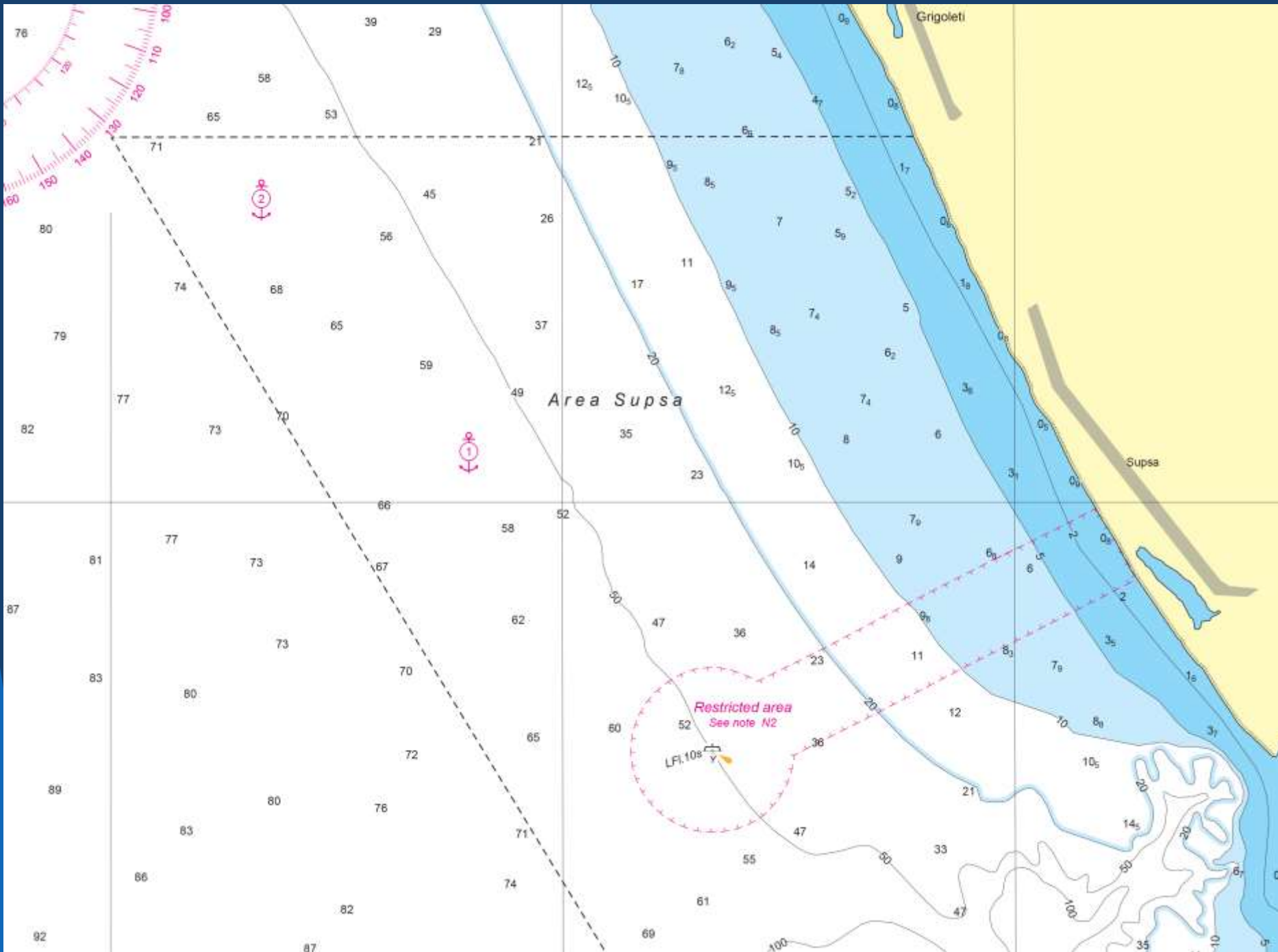
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# Institutional Setting





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- ▶ Georgian Ship Reporting System-IMO SN/Circ. 230
- ▶ Law of Georgia “Maritime Code”
- ▶ Georgian Government Order N57 on “Establishment of ships movement separating schemes, sea corridors and special sea regions in Georgian territorial Water area”
- ▶ Maritime Transport Agency Director Order on “approval of Port Rules” -

MTA has been legally appointed as the responsible authority to perform the management of VTMS.

# National legislation requiring establishment of VTS

- ▶ Maritime code of Georgia - article 70. “Every Georgian seaport shall be equipped with vessel traffic control systems complying international standards, operators of which shall meet minimum qualification requirements established by the Agency.”
- ▶ Harbor Regulations - Article 6 - “All ports of Georgia shall be equipped with VTS systems, operators of which shall comply standards established by MTA”

# AIS infrastructure in place

- ▶ There is no governmental approved AIS infrastructure in Georgia
- ▶ MTA has access to the lloydslintelligence-AIS system (<http://www.lloydslintelligence.com/ais>). The AIS receiver of this system is located in Batumi, 195 m from sea level in position 41°45'.02 N 41°45'.30 E and covering Georgian ports, territorial sea and internal waters. The data of this AIS receiver is transmitted via mobile operator (GPRS) to the main server and then distributed to the users;
- ▶ Local AIS receiver is installed in the same place where is located AIS receiver lloydslintelligence - AIS system. The data of this AIS receiver is transmitted via internet to the main server Maritime Transport Agency of Georgia and then distributed to the MRCC and Harbour Masters.
- ▶ MTA Has access to the Vtexplorer-AIS system (<http://www.vtexplorer.com/ais>)

# AIS infrastructure in place

- ▶ No AIS masterplan is created for the time being
- ▶ Georgia will accept technical support to draft and implement a masterplan
- ▶ Georgia agrees to share AIS with other beneficiary countries



# AIS Devices on national fishing vessels

- ▶ Georgia legislation does not set up an obligation for fishing vessels to be mandatorily equipped with AIS devices
- ▶ Fishing vessels sailing in Georgian territorial waters are equipped with “A” class AIS
- ▶ Fishing boats have no AIS devices installed OB.

### 3. Plans for future development (systems, infrastructure, organizations)

- ▶ Following steps are to be implemented by MTA:
  1. Establishment of National legislation regulating VTS standards in accordance with SOLAS and other international requirements / recommendations
  2. Conduct an assessment in accordance with relevant requirements.
  3. Create the infrastructure which meets the criteria based on assessment
  4. Implement the service standards described by national/international legislation
  5. Share the AIS information with other bodies according to mutual agreement

# Thank You

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