

STRUCTURE FOR NATIONAL REPORTS TO REGIONAL HYDROGRAPHIC COMMISSIONS

- References:
1. IHO Resolution 2/1997 as amended.
 2. IHO ACL 27/2020 dated 25 June 2020 – approval of the second tranche of proposals originally for consideration by the 2nd session of the assembly.
 3. Decision No.9 of A-2, 2020.

The following structure is to be used for National Reports made to RHC meetings:

Executive summary

1. Hydrographic Office / Service: General, including updates for the IHO Yearbook e.g. reorganization.

Note: use the available template for updates to the Yearbook or the online system.

Use separate sections if more than one national HO works within region for a single Member State.
2. Surveys:

Coverage of new surveys.

New technologies and /or equipment.

New ships.

Crowdsourced and satellite-derived bathymetry - national policy.

Challenges and achievements.
3. New charts & updates:

ENC coverage, gaps and overlaps.

ENC distribution method.

RNCs.

INT charts.

National paper charts.

Other charts, e.g. for pleasure craft.

Challenges and achievements.
4. New publications & updates:

New Publications.

Updated publications.

Means of delivery, e.g. paper, digital.

Challenges and achievements.
5. MSI:

Existing infrastructure for MSI dissemination.

Statistics on work of the National Coordinator.

New infrastructure in accordance with GMDSS Master Plan.

Challenges and achievements.

6. C-55: Note: Use the WWNWS template for this section.
Latest update.
Note: use the available template to update C-55 or the online system.
7. Capacity Building: Offer of and/or demand for Capacity Building.
Training received, needed, offered.
Status of national, bilateral, multilateral or regional development projects with hydrographic component. (In progress, planned, under evaluation or study).
Definition of proposals and requests to the IHO CBSC.
8. Oceanographic activities: General.
GEBCO/IBC's activities, GEBCO Seabed 2030 activities.
Tide gauge network.
New equipment.
Challenges and achievements.
9. Spatial data infrastructures: Status of MSDI.
Relationship with the NSDI.
Involvement in regional or global MSDI efforts.
National implementation of the Shared Data Principles – including any national data policy and impact on marine data.
MSDI national portal.
Best practices and lessons learned.
Challenges and achievements.
10. Innovation: Use of new technologies.
Risk assessment.
Policy matters.
11. Other activities: Participation in IHO meetings.
Meteorological data collection.
Geospatial studies.
Preparation for responses to disasters.
Environmental protection.
Engagement with the Maritime Administration.
Aids to Navigation matters.
Magnetic and gravity surveys.
International engagements.
Etc.

12. Conclusions: