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- (1) The <u>current actual condition of the riverbed</u> and the corresponding fairway depths may differ from the information provided in the area map due to the time difference regarding the measurement date. As the riverbed in free-flowing sections of the river is constantly changing, the data provided relating to water depths should be regarded purely as a <u>snapshot</u> of current conditions. No liability can therefore be assumed for their accuracy at the time of the request for information.
- (2) The <u>theoretical fairway</u> displayed on the area map corresponds with the "fairway" object as shown on the Inland ECDIS chart. This may, however, differ from current actual conditions. To ascertain the actual perimeters of the fairway, <u>navigation signs</u> (buoys, spars, riverbank signs) should be observed which are decisive for navigation.

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- (3) No liability can be assumed for the accuracy of information, at the time of the request for information, regarding the shorelines and the actual course of groynes represented on an area map. Once again, the relevant navigation signs (buoys, spars, riverbank signs) are to be observed to ensure safe navigation.
- (4) The <u>draught loaded of a vessel</u> cannot correspond with the depth of the fairway. The draught loaded of the ship must be added to the squat resulting from the speed of the vessel and the required keel clearance (= safety distance from the riverbed) in order to calculate the necessary <u>fairway depth</u>.