BookletChart™

Duluth – Superior Harbor
NOAA Chart 14975

A reduced-scale NOAA nautical chart for small boaters
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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.


This BookletChart does NOT fulfill chart carriage requirements for regulated commercial vessels under Titles 33 and 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

**Notice to Mariners Correction Status**

This BookletChart has been updated for chart corrections published in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners, the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency Weekly Notice to Mariners, and, where applicable, the Canadian Coast Guard Notice to Mariners. Additional chart corrections have been made by NOAA in advance of their publication in a Notice to Mariners. The last Notices to Mariners applied to this chart are listed in the Note at the bottom of page 7. Coast Pilot excerpts are not being corrected.


(Selected Excerpts from Coast Pilot)

**Duluth-Superior Harbor** is at the W end of Lake Superior. The harbor has been developed along Superior Bay and the lower part of the St. Louis River, which forms part of the State boundary between Wisconsin and Minnesota. It is one of the most important harbors on the Great Lakes because of its range of facilities and the magnitude of its commerce. The cities Superior, Wis., and, Minn., front the S and N sides of the harbor, respectively.

**Superior Entry South Breakwater Light** (46°42.6'N., 92°00.4'W.), 70 feet above the water, is shown from a white cylindrical tower on a white building on the outer end of the breakwater on the S side of the S harbor entrance. A fog signal is at the light.

**Duluth Harbor South Breakwater Inner Light** (46°46.7'N., 92°05.5'W.), 68 feet above the water, is shown from a black cylindrical tower with a white lantern room on the S side of the N harbor entrance.

**Superior Bay**, about 6.5 miles long and 0.5 to 1 mile wide, is a natural shallow basin separated from Lake Superior by Minnesota Point, a low, narrow strip of sand and gravel. The bay is entered from Lake Superior through **Duluth Entry** at the N end of Minnesota Point and through **Superior Entry** at the S end of the point. Between the entrances, the lakeside of Minnesota Point has deep water within 0.4 mile. A submerged breakwater extends 1,000 feet S from shore in the small bight on the N side of Duluth Entry. A buoy marks the outer end of the ruins. Several cribs are on the W side of the bight.

**Allouez Bay** is a very shallow bay that extends SE from Superior Bay S of Superior Entry and is enclosed on the E by Wisconsin Point.

**Nemadji River** flows from Moosecamp Lake, about 40 miles above Superior, and empties into the W side of Superior Bay opposite Superior Entry. In 1982, a depth of 4½ feet was available for 5 miles above the mouth, thence in 1976, 2 feet above that point.

**St. Louis River** flows into the W side of Superior Bay near its N end through a narrow gap between **Rices Point** on the N and **Connors Point** on the S. **St. Louis Bay** is a widening in the river that extends from these points to **Grassy Point**, 3 miles SW. **Howards Bay** is a narrow inlet that leads SE from St. Louis Bay for 1 mile on the W side of Connors Point. Above Grassy Point, the river again widens, covers a large shallow area, and is divided by points and islands into a number of irregularly shaped bays and inlets. **Clough Island**, the largest in this area, encloses the N side of **Spirit Spirit Lake**, a section of the river mostly isolated by islands. **Minnesota Channel**, the dredged channel through this area, follows the Minnesota shore for 2 miles W from Grassy Point, thence turns S between Clough Island and the mainland, and thence turns E on the S side of Clough Island to the head of the dredged channel.

Above Clough Island, the natural channel of the St. Louis River is navigable for varying drafts to just above du Lac, about 8 miles above Clough Island. The river is practically a level pool at ordinary stages to the foot of the rapids just above Fond du Lac. The channel in this reach is well marked by buoys, and vessels of suitable draft should have no difficulty navigating it. A wreck, covered about 2½ feet, is on the E side of the river at Oliver, about 3.8 miles above Clough Island.

**Duluth Coast Guard Station** is on the W side of Minnesota Point, 0.5 mile S of Duluth Ship Canal. A Coast Guard Marine Safety Office is in Duluth. (See appendix for address.) Harbor regulations Two companies in the harbor have docking facilities for making repairs to deep-draft vessels, and three other companies have shops and make repairs to vessels at their berths. Fraser Shipyard, Inc., at the head of Caution. A sunken wreck is 0.9 mile ENE of the entrance to Duluth Ship Canal.

The area immediately ESE of Duluth Harbor Basin Traffic Lighted Buoy is subject to shoaling. **Local magnetic disturbance.** Differences from normal variation of 001°E to 005°E have been observed in the lake about 10 miles from Duluth.

**Harbor regulations.** A speed limit of 8 mph (7 knots) is enforced in Duluth-Superior Harbor.

**U.S. Coast Guard Rescue Coordination Center**

24 hour Regional Contact for Emergencies

RCC Cleveland Commander 9th CG District (216) 902-6117 Cleveland, OH
Lateral System As Seen Entering From Seaward
on navigable waters except Western Rivers

PORT SIDE
ODD NUMBERED AIDS
- GREEN LIGHT ONLY
- FLASHING (2)
- OCCULTING
- QUICK FLASHING
- ISO

PREFERRED CHANNEL
NO NUMBERS – MAY BE LETTERED
- Preferring Channel to Starboard
Topmost Band Green

PREFERRED CHANNEL
NO NUMBERS – MAY BE LETTERED
- Preferring Channel to Port
Topmost Band Red

STARBOARD SIDE
EVEN NUMBERED AIDS
- RED LIGHT ONLY
- FLASHING (2)
- OCCULTING
- QUICK FLASHING
- ISO

For more information on aids to navigation, including those on Western Rivers, please consult the latest USCG Light List for your area. These volumes are available online at http://www.navcen.uscg.gov
PROJECT DEPTHS

Channel legends and tabulations, where indicated, reflect the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) project depths. The channel may be significantly deeper, particularly at the banks. For detailed channel information and minimum depths as reported by USACE, use NOAA Electronic Navigational Charts. USACE surveys and channel condition reports are available at https://navigation.usace.army.mil/SurveyHydro.

Low Water Datum, which is the plane of reference for the depths shown on this chart. Hydrographers, in determining charted depths, follow the principle that a level line crossing the charted depth is a horizontal line at the same water level. Depths charted are corresponding greater or less than the charted depths.

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Printed at reduced scale. SCALE 1:15,000 Nautical Miles
See Note on page 5.
CAUTION

Limitations on the use of radio signals as aids to marine navigation can be found in the U.S. Coast Guard Light Lists and National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Publication 112. Radio direction-finder bearings to commercial broadcasting stations are subject to error and should be used with caution.

Station positions are shown thus:
- (Exact location)
- (Approximate location)

CAUTION

Temporary changes or defects in aids to navigation are not indicated on this chart. See Local Notice to Mariners.

During some winter months or when endangered by ice, certain aids to navigation are replaced by other types or removed. For details see U.S. Coast Guard Light List.
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 and 78A** – Recreational boat channels.

**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.

**Distress Call Procedures**
- Make sure radio is on.
- Select Channel 16.
- Press/Hold the transmit button.
- Clearly say: “MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY.”
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
- Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds — If no response Repeat MAYDAY call.

**HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS!**

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**Quick References**

- Nautical chart related products and information — [http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov](http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov)
- Chart updates (LNMI and NM corrections) — [http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/mcd/updates/LNM_NM.html](http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/mcd/updates/LNM_NM.html)
- Coast Pilot online — [http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/nsd/cpdownload.htm](http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/nsd/cpdownload.htm)
- Tides and Currents — [http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov](http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov)
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