WEATHER WIZARD (EDITION 2)

USER GUIDE

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8	The description of MS Outlook 2000 program installation has been moved to Annex A and supplemented with the description of Microsoft Outlook 98/2000 and Outlook Express programs adjustment for the operation with the e-mail	Paragraph 3.2 Software Installation "Installation of Microsoft Outlook 2000"	Annex A Installation of Microsoft Outlook 2000
9	Tables of Weather Wizard program's compatibility with different versions of mail programs during the operation in different OS's have been added		Annex B
10	Description of the troubleshooting procedure during the despatch, reception and display of weather forecasts, has been added		Annex C



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1. ABOUT THIS MANUAL

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1.1 How to Use this Manual

1.1.1 General Review

This User Manual (hereinafter referred to as Manual) deals with issues connected with various aspects of using the Weather Wizard software (hereinafter referred to as the WW) in the process of its operation.

The Manual is so arranged that the user can promptly obtain information on the procedures required for accomplishing certain tasks, using the WW facilities.

The Manual consists of five parts:

- 1. "About this manual", containing some general notes and principles of using this Manual.
- "General". This part describes the structure of the software, purpose of all its components and operating principle the reception of weather forecasts is based on.
- 3. "Technical reference". Description of requirements to the computer and OS, installation and adjustment procedures.
- 4. "Utilities". Detailed description of all the capabilities of the utilities included in the "Weather Wizard" software.
- "User Work with the Weather Wizard Software". This is the principal part of the Manual which contains the list of tasks which can be performed using the Weather Wizard, and the procedures involved.

1.1.2 Data Required for Work with the Manual

Tables

The document has predominantly a tabular structure. If the table consists of 2 columns, the first is normally used for the indication of an operation which is required to be performed, whilst the second column shows what happens in the "Weather Wizard".



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E.g.:

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1. Start PA utility	See paragraph 4.2.2
2. ROUTE\New	A cursor appears in the Chart Area:
3. Set the first WP:	
Position the cursor in the required point. Use <+> and <-> keys to set the scale suitable for plotting the initial waypoint	The cursor can also be manipulated by the manual input of the first way-point coordinates. To do this, first press <tab> key to activate the input window, then enter the required coordinates</tab>
Press the left trackerball (mouse) button	The symbol of the first waypoint is plotted in the selected point:

Where: [1], [2], [3] are operations, whilst "Move..." and "Press..." are steps within a single operation.

For the rest of the tables, the names of the columns are provided in the heading.

Conventional Symbols

<...> is a button on the panels, in the utility windows or a keyboard key.

E.g.:

<OK> is "OK" button (on the utility panel);

<F11> is "F11" functional keyboard key.

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Expanded Italics is used for the names of the panels, utility areas described in the appropriate sections of the document.

E.g.:

Speed loss table (detailed in section 4.4.3);

Request page (detailed in section 4.1.3).

"..." means names of the panels, windows and utilities themselves, as well as subtitles in the documentation sections.

E.g.:

"Management" panel (see item 4.1.3 "Forecast Page" [2]).

Italics is used to mark off notes.

E.g.:

8	Cancel last request	To send a notification to Transas Marine weather server cancelling all the previously made orders.	
		The use is recommended in case of a mistakenly send orders under which a considerable amount of weather information is expected, which may bring about unplanned expenses in the way of payment for the communication session and receipt of services from Transas Marine	

(see paragraph 4.1.4).

 to list the ways to perform a certain action; to list versions and functions.

E.g.:___

4. Time steps:	To select fixed time value (step) which the forecast for the selected weather parameters will be provided for, counting the number of hours from the beginning of the GMT day for the forecast receipt date
	E.g., - +0 will mean that the weather forecast is provided for 00 h (GMT only for the date of its receipt;



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- +12 the forecast corresponds to 12:00 GMT of the current date:
- +36 the forecast is provided for 12:00 of the date following the forecast receipt date.

During the visualisation of the received weather forecast, the data is considered to be original (UKMO for the source) for these selected time points only; in the intervals between them. Visualised weather parameters are interpolated

(see paragraph 4.1.3 "Request" page).

[...] is used to show the number of operation in the procedure used for accomplishing a certain task.

E.g.:

8. Ascertain that Calculation\Auto Compare option is enabled (see also paragraph 4.3.4)



(see paragraph 5.1.7 [8]).

1.1.3 Abbreviations Used in the Manual

DT - Drift Table:

ETA - Estimated Time of Arrival;

ETD – Estimated Time of Departure;

GC – Great Circle:

GMT - Greenwich Mean Time;

LAN – Local Access Network (see paragraph 1.1.4);

OS – Operating System;

PA - Play Ahead;

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RE – Route Editor;
RL – Rhumb Line;
WFM – Weather Forecast Manager;
WP (WPs) – Way Point (-s);
WW – Weather Wizard;
XTE – cross track error;
Fig. – figure;
h – hour;
m – metre;
s – second;
sq. m – square metre;
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1.1.4 Terms Used in the Document

Internet – a global network consisting of thousands of smaller computer networks and millions of commercial, educational, governmental and personal computers.

Mail Configuration (Current profile) – a group of settings of mail software, which determined, for a specific user, the configuration of the computer, communication facilities and installed software for access to the Internet.

Mailbox – a place allotted on the Microsoft Exchange Server for the delivery of the user's electronic mail. The administrator sets an individual mailbox for each user.

Internet Service Provider (ISP) – a company providing access to the Internet for a certain payment. There are two ways to connect to the Internet network:

- Via telephone network by using the modem ("Remote access"). In this
 case, the ISP supplies the user with software required for the connection, telephone number via which access to the Internet will be obtained, user name and personal ID password.
- Via local computer network (LAN). In this case, the organisation provides the external access to the Internet via the computer connected to LAN. The administrator of this network supplies the user with a name, registration password and network protocol.



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In either case, when working with the electronic mail, it is necessary to know the name of mail servers processing the incoming and outgoing mail. This information can be provided by the ISP or system administrator.

Server – computer (within a local network running the administrator software) enabling access to the resources of the given computer (including access to the Internet) for all the other computers involved in this network.

Layer – one out of several components on PA objects presentation on the chart. Data of a certain type only can be loaded in each of the graphics layers, e.g.,

- Chart information layer 1;
- Routes layer 2;
- User chart A

 layer 3;

Cursor – layer 5.

Layers are displayed in a certain order and, as a result, each presentation is formed by superimposing several graphic layers.

Chart Information Layer – a "sub-layer" relative to the layers described above. The layer containing chart information has, in its turn, one more sub-layer structure where the "sub-layers" are chart objects of a certain type, e.g.:

- Objects included in "Base Display" layer (coastline, recommended routes, aids to navigation, etc.) make up layer 1;
- "Standard Display" objects (drying areas, landmarks, warnings, etc.) forms layer 2;
- etc.

User Chart – a graphics information layer created by the user by means of PA graphics editor.

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1.2 Controls

1.2.1 Trackerball or Mouse

The only difference between the mouse and trackerball is the way the ball moves. These units may have 2 or 3 pushbutton switches. If your unit has 3 switches, the centre button is not used.

LEFT BUTTON – corresponds to <Enter> key on the keyboard.

RIGHT BUTTON – corresponds to <Esc> key on the keyboard.

By rolling the ball, you can control the cursor's position on the display and select menu options.

1.2.2 Keyboard

The principal PA control is a mouse/trackerball. However, all the control capabilities are duplicated on the keyboard. <Enter> key serves for the input of parameters, activating menu and submenu functions and corresponds to the trackerball's left button. <Esc> key serves for exiting from a function when its use is cancelled, in case of erroneous data input and corresponds to the trackerball's right button.

The cursor control keys correspond to the trackerball's movement and perform same functions.



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2.1 Purpose and General Principles of "Weather Wizard" Program Operation

"Weather Wizard" program is a unique module which enables the reception of weather forecasts (up to 5 days in advance) for any area on the globe, and the display of this forecast as an additional layer in the electronic chart system based on the world known Navi-Sailor series videoplotters.

The following capabilities are implemented in this weather module:

- Reception of weather forecasts (5 days ahead) by using communication facilities (satellite communication, mobile communication, modem) with the aid of e-mail (Microsoft Outlook 98/2000, Outlook Express) via Internet global network (see Fig. 2-1);
- Display of weather parameters in a vector form against the electronic chart background;
- Viewing of the weather forecast in dynamics;
- Viewing of the ship's passage route, weather parameters displayed at the same time (Play Ahead mode);
- Generation of the route passage schedules and their comparison for selecting the optimum one;
- Calculations of the ship's speed loss depending on three components: tidal currents, surface currents and weather conditions (wind, wind induced waves and swell).



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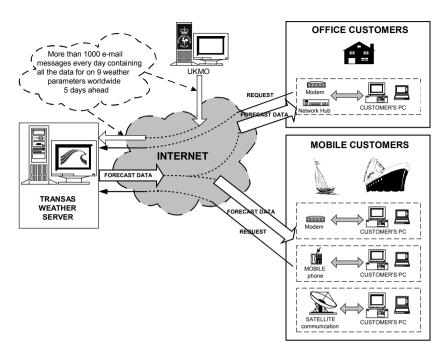


Fig. 2-1 General layout of the weather forecast reception

2.2 Software Components

"Weather Wizard" software (Weather Wizard in what follows) consists of the following principal components:

- Weather Forecast Manager;
- Play Ahead;
- · Route Editor;
- Drift Table.

A general layout of the interaction of utilities is shown in Fig. 2-2.

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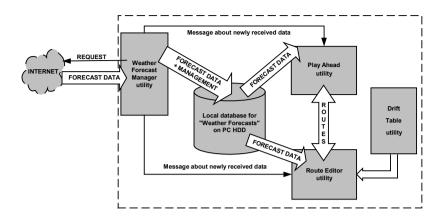


Fig. 2-2

The purpose of each of the utilities is specified below:

Weather Forecast Manager • (WFM)

- Making up of weather forecast orders;
- Processing of a weather forecast and saving to the database;
- Selection of the weather forecast from the "Weather Forecast" database for the further viewing and use in Play Ahead and Route Editor programs.

Among the specific features of this utility is the forecast order flexibility: order for any of the weather parameters (wind, pressure, wind induced waves, etc.) for any area which the user may require with different resolution grids for each specific parameter. E.g., it is possible to order "pressure" with the global coverage and with the finest resolution grid (the highest available accuracy), and "wind induced waves" – for a small area with a larger resolution grid.

Play Ahead (PA)

- Visualisation and animation of the received weather forecasts;
- · Generation of route plans in a graphic form;
- Play ahead of the ship's motion along the route with a simultaneous visualisation of received weather forecast in dynamics.



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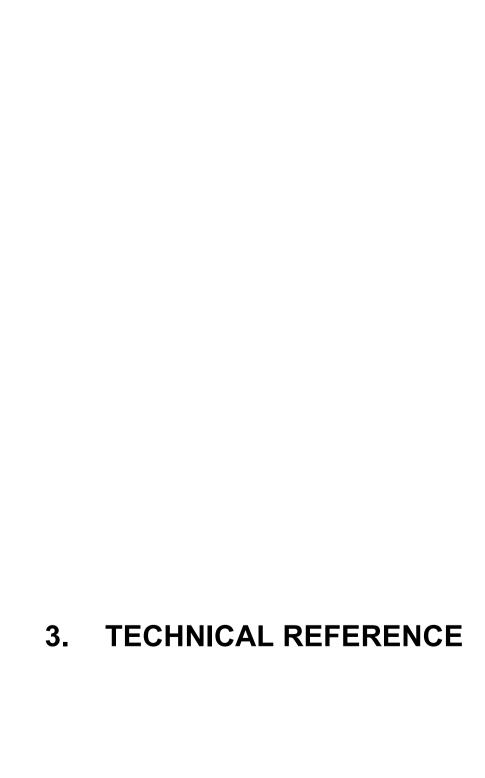
Route Editor (RE)

Generation, editing and deleting of routes;

- Route calculations for the routes made both, in the "RE" and in the "PA", taking into account the effect of weather conditions and tidal and surface currents;
- Comparison of routes to select the optimum one with regard to the following criteria: speed loss caused by the currents and weather conditions, time underway and overall length of the passage route;
- Playing ahead of the route passage (in conjunction with Play Ahead utility) taking into account calculations made.

Drift Table (DT)

- Calculations of the wind and sea induced losses in the ship's speed with regard to its own geometric parameters;
- Input of the ownship parameters for their further use in the route calculations taking into account weather data in Route Editor program;
- Making up by the user of own tables of ship speed losses with regard to the weather conditions.



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3.1 Requirements to the Computer Capabilities and Software Environment

3.1.1 Minimum Hardware Requirements

Components of the equipment	Pentium166 32 Mb RAM 3,5"fl-drive CD drive 2 Mb VRAM HDD>600
Monitor	14" 800x600

3.1.2 OS Requirements

Weather Wizard program is intended for operation with the following OS:

- Microsoft Windows 98;
- Microsoft Windows ME;
- United States or Pan European version of Microsoft Windows NT 4.0 Service Pack 5;
- Microsoft Windows 2000.

3.1.3 Requirements to the Mail Programs

To function, the "Weather Wizard" program requires communication facilities and mail programs ensuring the despatch/reception of electronic letters (E-mail) via global Internet network.

For a guaranteed operation of the Weather Wizard program one of the following mail programs is required to be available:

- Microsoft Outlook Express version 5.50 and higher;
- Microsoft Outlook 98;
- Microsoft Outlook 2000.

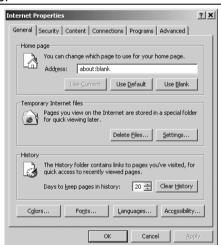


The installed mail software can be adjusted for handling mail either via the remote access (by using a modem), or via a corporate network (depending on the concrete user possibilities). The samples of the mail program adjustment are provided in Annex A.

Where Microsoft Outlook 98/2000 programs are used, it is necessary that this software should be configured for operation in "Corporate or Workgroup" mode (see Annex A).

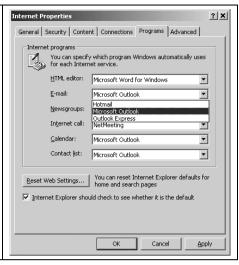
In case of a joint use of Microsoft Outlook Express and Microsoft Outlook 98/2000 programs, in the sending/reception of weather mail it is necessary to taken into account the fact that Weather Wizard program operates with the mail program only which is set for handling the e-mail by default. There can be no despatch/reception of weather mail via the mail program which is not a default setting of the e-mail operation. To determine which mail program which is a default setting for handling the e-mail, use the following procedure:

 Open the menu by pressing the right mouse button on Internet Explorer icon and select Properties option



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 Switch to "Programs" page and use E-Mail line to set the program with the help of which you expect to handle the weather mail



Attention! it is NOT ALLOWED to change the E-Mail setting from one mail system to another, or to switch mail systems from one profile or account to another, with Weather Forecast Manager utility running.

3.2 Software Installation

Installation of "Weather Wizard" software consists of two stages: installation of the software product itself and setting of mail parameters.

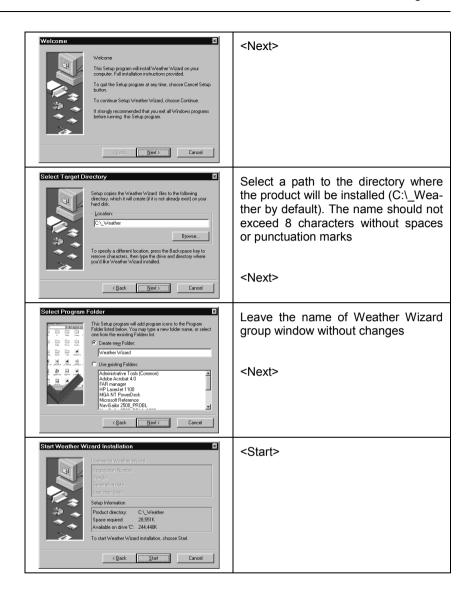
Installation of "Weather Wizard" Software Installation of the software is made from TRANSAS – Electronic Chart System & World Chart Folio CD by using dedicated Transas CD Setup program which is run automatically after the CD is inserted in the drive (or "manually" – Setup.exe file in the disk root directory):



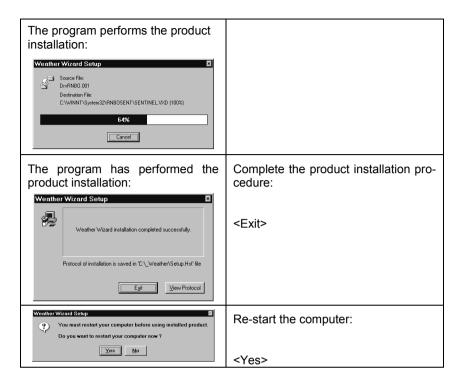
Select Setup Weather Wizard line (the line turns yellow) and press the left trackerball button (<Enter>)



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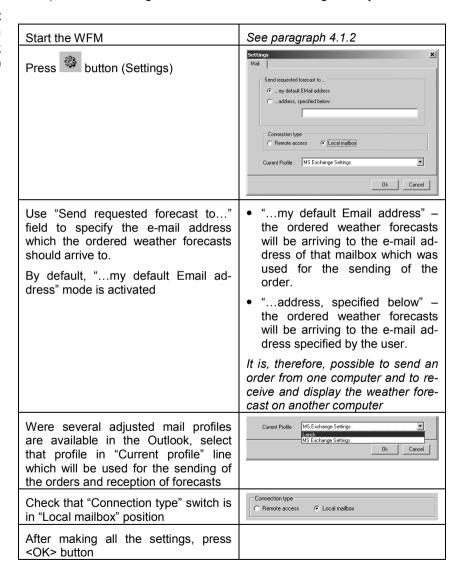




3.2.1 Setting of Mail Parameters

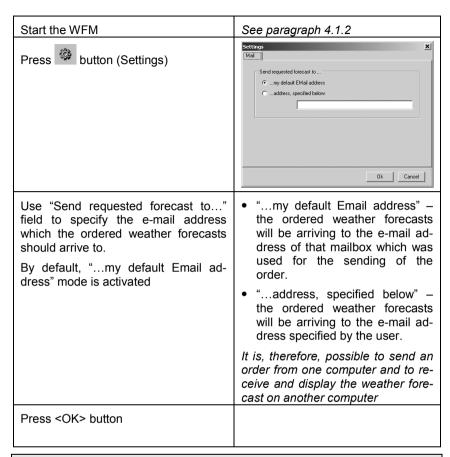
Depending on which mail program (Outlook Express or Outlook 98/2000) is set by default for the e-mail operation (see paragraph 3.1.3), different settings of Weather Forecast Manager utility are made.

WFM Adjustment for the Operation with Outlook 98/2000



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WFM Adjustment for the Operation with Outlook Express



Attention! In case of the WFM operation with the Outlook Express, the dispatch of orders and reception of forecasts is via the local mailbox of the account, which is set by default.



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4.1 Weather Forecast Manager

4.1.1 Purpose

- To compile orders for weather forecasts;
- To process a weather forecast and place it in the database;
- To select a weather forecast from the database for the use in Play Ahead and Route Editor utilities.

See also section 2.2.

4.1.2 Start of and Exit from the Utility

To start WFM utility, use the procedure shown in Fig. 4-1:

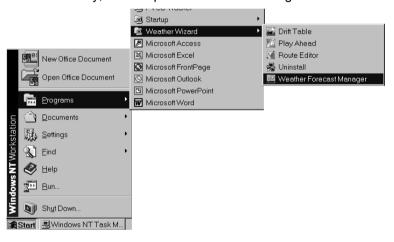


Fig. 4-1

To exit from the utility, use button located in the *Main menu* toolbar on every utility page.

4.1.3 Description of the Utility

The utility consists of 3 main panel pages:

- Request:
- Delivery:
- Forecast:

as well as *Main menu toolbar* and Auxiliary Information panel.

Main menu Toolbar

The *Main menu toolbar* is located in the top part of the utility screen and contains program control buttons:



The set of button varies from page to page. Their complete set and purpose are described in paragraph 4.1.4.

Information panel

The Information panel is located in the bottom part of the utility screen and contains assessment of the received data size, information of auxiliary nature and indicators of the processes underway:

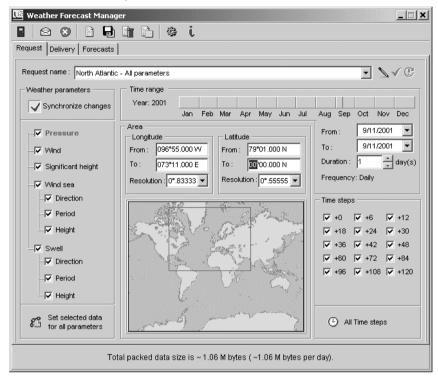


Attention! Information Panel presents the assessment of the compressed data which will be received by the user. The size of actually received data may differ from the data size specified on the Information panel being larger or smaller than the latter; however, calculations of payment for the supplied forecast is based exclusively on the data size assessment specified on the Information panel.

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Request Panel

Request page is used for the formation of an order for the weather forecast and its despatch:



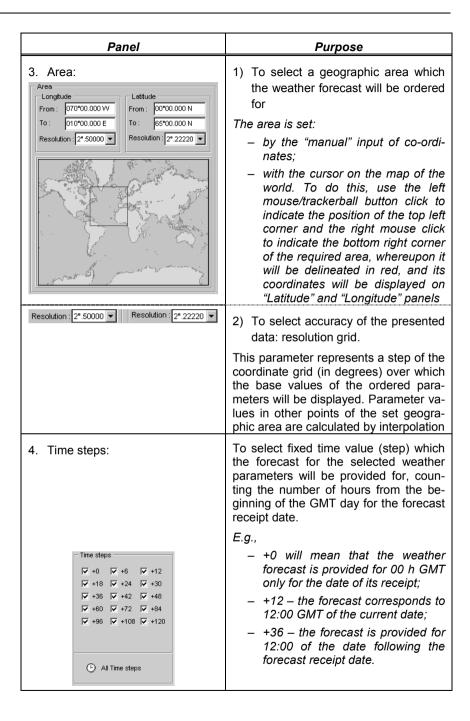
The page contains several panels where you should enter data required for the making up of an order:

Panel	Purpose
1	2
1. Request name:	To save a formed order for the further use:
"Request name" line Request name: North Atlantic - All parameters	1) to enter the name of the order
Button	to display the list of the previously generated orders
	3) to activate the line for the input of the order name



Panel	Purpose
✓	4) to save the entered/edited order name (not activated until button is pressed)
•	5) to cancel the input/editing of the order name (not activated until button is pressed)
2. Weather parameters: Weather parameters Synchronize changes Pressure Wind Significant height Wind sea Direction Presiod Presiod	1) To select weather parameters which the sent weather forecast will contain data. 2) To activate one of the parameters whereupon: • Geographic area; • Resolution; • Time step; • subscription time will be selected for this parameter only. E.g., in the drawing, "Pressure" parameters is activated (highlighted in red); this will mean that the settings made on all the other panel of "Request" page refer to this parameter only
Synchronize changes (option is enabled by default)	To synchronise the selection of the geographic area, resolution, time step and subscription time for all the selected weather parameters at once
Set selected data for all parameters	4) To synchronise "manually" the selection of the geographic area, resolution, time step and subscription time for all the selected weather parameters when "Synchronize changes" option is disabled 4) To synchronise selection.

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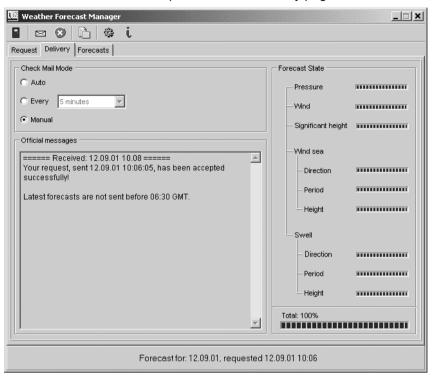


Panel	Purpose
	During the visualisation of the received weather forecast, the data is considered to be original (UKMO for the source) for these selected time points only; in the intervals between them visualised weather parameters are interpolated
All Time steps	Button for the prompt selection of all the fixed values
5. Time range: Time range Year 2000 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Cct Nov Dec From: 10 to 0 11 to 0 12	Selection of the subscription time for the daily reception of weather forecast. The "subscription" time interval is set:
Time range Year: 2000 Jan Feb Mar Apr	 with the cursor on the graphics panel. To do this, position the cursor on the required subscrip- tion start mark, press the left mouse button and, without relea- sing it, "stretch" the red indicator band to the required end point. Such setting should be checked by "From" and "To" dates (see below);
From: 10.02.00 To: 14.03.00 To:	 by the manual input of start and end dates via the calendar after pressing button;
Duration: 34	by the input of the subscription "length"

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Delivery Page

Forecasts are received and processed on Delivery page.



Attention! The reception of the weather forecast order takes place on "Delivery" page only. The recommended interval time between the despatch of the order and request for its delivery ("Remote access" type communication) is 30 minutes.

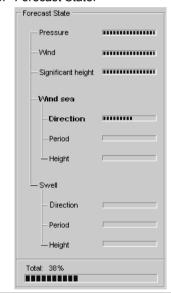
The page contains 3 panels:

Panels	Purpose
1	2
Check mail mode:	To set the way of receiving weather forecasts:
Check Mail Mode	1) Automatically.
C Every 10 minutes	In this case, the WFM is permanently in the stand-by mode. The processing of mail containing weather forecast files starts immediately upon their reception I the mailbox of the given user.
	This way is available and recommended for "Local mailbox" communication type only.
Check Mail Mode	2) Semi-automatically.
© Every 20 minutes Time left: 0:19:37	In this mode, the WFM automatically holds communication sessions with Internet provider (for "Remote access" type) or checks contents of the mailbox of the given E-mail addressee (for "Local mailbox" type communication) over the time intervals determined by the user. The timer in the right hand part of the panel shows time until the next connection
Check Mail Mode	3) Manually
C Every 1 hour	In this mode, connection with the provider for the reception of mail including weather forecast files is performed at an arbitrary moment of time at the user's request by pressing button on the <i>Main menu toolbar</i> of "Delivery" page.
	This is recommended for "Remote access" communication time, the cost of a communication sessions being quite high.

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Panels 2. Official messages: Official messages To display logs of weather forecast reception and processing, as well as of some other messages. Your request, sent 02.06.00 14.18 ====== Your request, sent 02.06.00 14.18 essees Your request

3. Forecast State:



Data processing monitoring.

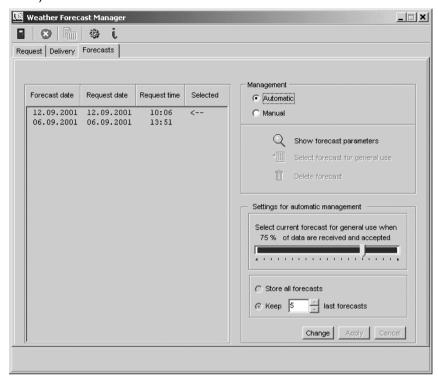
The status of each parameter is indicated by the colour:

- Blue for parameters which have been ordered and their receipt expected;
- Red for the parameters whose data is being processed;
- Black for parameters whose data has already been processed and placed in the database;
- Grey for the parameters which have not been ordered.

The bottom indication bar shows the size of processed data on all the parameters (in per cent)

"Forecast" Page

Forecast page is used for the selection of weather forecast for its further use in "Play Ahead" and "Route Editor" utilities (see paragraph 5.2.1):



The page has 5 panels:

	Pan	el		Purpose
	1			2
1. List o casts:	List of received weather fore- casts:		er fore-	To display brief information on the received forecasts where:
Forecast date	Request date	Request time	Selected	 "Forecast date" is the date which the forecast is provided for;
03.07.2000 03.07.2000 03.07.2000 03.07.2000 29.06.2000	03.07.2000 03.07.2000 03.07.2000 29.06.2000	12:58 12:56 12:53 08:43	<	 "Request date" is the order despatch date;
				 "Request time" is the order despatch time;
				 "Selected" is an indicator of the order selected for the further use

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2. Management:

Management

Automatic

Manual

To set the forecast selection mode for the further operation:

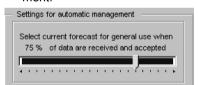
- "Automatic" whereby the last received forecast is automatically selected:
- "Manual" whereby the forecast is selected by the user
- Function for the viewing of brief forecast contents and manual selection:



"Select forecast for general use" and "Delete forecast" functions are activated in "Manual" mode only (see above) "Show forecast parameters" – viewing of the active (cursor selected) forecast parameters:



- "Select forecast for general use" manual selection of the highlighted forecast for further work:
- "Delete forecast" deleting of the selected forecast from the database
- Setting for automatic management:



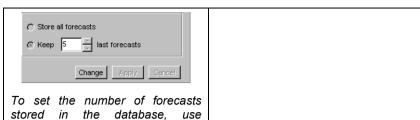
The "sufficiency" criterion can only be changes in "Automatic" by using <Change> and <Apply> buttons located on the panel below

Panel for adjusting the number of forecasts stored in the database: To set the "data sufficiency" criterion during the processing of the received weather forecast.

This criterion determines the completeness level (in per cent) of the weather parameter processing whereby this forecast is considered to be "capable of operation" and is accepted for the further operation in PA and RE utilities

- "Store all forecasts" to store each received forecast in the database;
 - "Keep ... last forecasts" to store the set number of the latest received forecasts





<Change> and <Apply> buttons

4.1.4 Main Menu Buttons

Outward appearance	Name	Purpose
1	2	3
	Close all and exit	To exit from the program
	Send current request	Dispatch of a weather forecast order formed on "Request" page. Depending on the connection type, the following operations are performed:
		1) Connection Type – "Local mailbox"
		An electronic letter with an order is placed in "Outbox" folder of the local mailbox and can be sent by using the default mail software (see the description of <settings> button);</settings>
		Connection Type –"Remote Access" (in case of operation with Microsoft Outlook 98/2000 only)
		In this case, an electronic letter containing the order will be sent automatically with all the mail currently stored in "Outbox" folder of Outlook mail utility
3	Cancel last request	Despatch of a mail notification to Transas Marine weather server about the cancelling of all the previously made orders.
		This is recommended for use in case of an erroneous despatch of an order under which the receipt of a considerable volume of data is expected, which may cause unscheduled expenses connected with the payments for the communication session and services from Transas Marine

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Outward appearance	Name	Purpose
	Add new request	To make up a new order
	Save current request	To save the current order without changing its name
	Delete existing request	To delete the current order
	View request as table	To display the current order data in the form of a summary table. This is recommended for use every time before the despatch of the order, to check its correctness and to avoid the incorrectly entered data which may cause a considerable increase of the communication session time and cost of the forecast
	Settings	To adjust mail components (operation required to be performed at the software installation stage). Upon the press on this button, "Mail settings" window is displayed, it is intended for the input/editing of settings: Settings Mail Current Profile: MS Exchange Settings 1) Send requested forecast to "my default Email address" – the ordered weather forecasts will be arriving to the email address of that mailbox which was used for the sending of the order.



Outward appearance	Name	Purpose
		"address, specified below" – the ordered weather forecasts will be arriving to the email address specified by the user.
		It is, therefore, possible to send an order from one computer and to receive and display the weather forecast on another computer.
		2) "Connection type" Panel
		"Remote access" – connection type where- by the despatch of orders and reception of forecasts are performed by the Weather Forecast Manager utility itself, without use of the MS Outlook program.
		"Local mailbox" – connection type whereby mail is handled via the local mailbox. In this case, orders are stored in the local Outbox and are sent by using the default mail program (e.g., MS Outlook). The reception of forecasts is also by using the default mail program. As this is done, data is stored in the local Inbox and is extracted from it by using the Weather Forecast Manager utility
		3) "Current profile"
		The selection of a profile which will be used for the dispatch of orders and reception of weather forecasts (where"my default Email address" option is used). The default setting if the profile set as a default in the MS Outlook operation.
		Attention! The mail settings described in items 2 and 3 are not available unless MS Outlook is used as a default mail program (see item 3.1.3)
i	About this program	Information on the utility.

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4.2 Play Ahead

4.2.1 Purpose

- Visualisation and animation of the received weather forecasts;
- · Generation of route plans in a graphic form;
- Play ahead of the ship's motion along the route with a simultaneous visualisation of received weather forecast in dynamics.

4.2.2 Start of and Exit from the Utility

To start Play Ahead utility, use the procedure shown below Fig. 4-2:

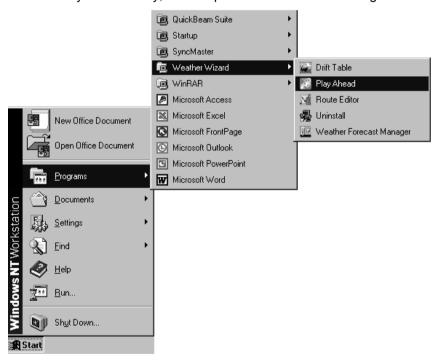
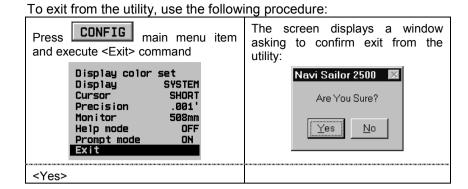


Fig. 4-2



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4.2.3 Description of the Utility

The PA screen includes three areas (see Fig. 4-3). The left hand part is the *Chart area*. The right hand part is taken up by *Information area* and *Menu area*. Sometimes when it is necessary to display some additional information command, e.g. HELP text, tide information window etc. (as required by operator), a window opens up in the left bottom part of the screen. At this time the chart is re-displayed in the top part of the screen.

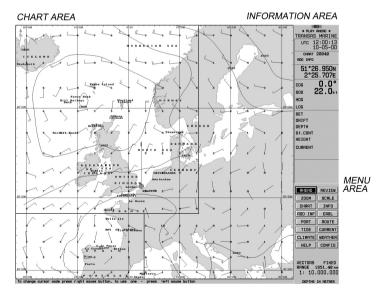


Fig. 4-3

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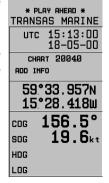
Chart Area This area may display the following information:

- ownship symbol;
- electronic charts:
- outlines and ID numbers of all the charts available in the collection (for the displayed charts the frames are shown in a bold line and numbers are in the bold type);
- numbered coordinate grid;
- additional information plotted by the user via ADD INF\Graphic editor\Add a new object function;
- route plan(s) with numbered waypoints;
- ownship track (during the play-ahead of the ship's passage along the route);
- cursor and ERBL:
- current vectors:
- tide data:
- climate data:
- received weather forecast data.

In the right bottom corner of the electronic chart there is an accuracy indicator in the form of an angle made up of bold red lines. This is a graphic presentation of the largest possible error of object plotting on the chart. When the chart is displayed on the original scale, the error line value is assumed to be 2 mm. With the growth of scale, line dimensions of the indicator also change, indicating how much chart information can be trusted.

Area

- **Information** 1. The data displayed continuously in the *Information area* includes the following:
 - TRANSAS MARINE trademark (displayed in the absence of "POSITION DROPPED" indicator meaning that the vessel symbol is not shown on the screen);
 - modelled time and date during the route passage play-ahead (when play-ahead mode is disabled, the current computer time is displayed);
 - loaded electronic chart number:





- current ship position coordinates during the route passage play-ahead (with the play-ahead mode disabled, it is the coordinates of the last ship position on the previous route which are displayed);
- current ship course and speed during the route passage play-ahead (with the play-ahead mode disabled, it is the course and speed in the last ship position on the previous route which are displayed);
- HDG not used:
- LOG not used.
- 2. There are 5 types of changeable display in the PA *Information Area*.

Display System Mode presents general data on the sailing conditions:

- SET not used;
- DRIFT not used:
- DEPTH not used;
- Sf.CONT not used;
- HEIGHT calculated tidal rise in the closest reference point as of the current time;

CURRENT – calculated direction and speed of current in the vessel's position at the current time.

SET

DRIFT

DEPTH

Sf.CONT

HEIGHT 1.2m

CURRENT 18.1°

0.1kt

Display Route Mode – data on the ship position relative to the "monitored" route loaded by ROUTE\Load route function:

- ROUTE route name;
- WP number and name of the currently monitored waypoint;
- COURSE direction of the current ship leg (or "GC" – value of the initial course when sailing along the Great Circle);
- XTE cross track error with the indication of direction:
- ROUTE 22
 WP 1
 COURSE 156.5°
 XTE 0.59 m 444
 BTW 156.5°
 DTW 182.0nm
 TTG 9:24
 ETA 19-0507:17
 NEW CRS 188.3°
- BTW bearing to the next waypoint (or "RL-GC" difference between the Rhumb Line and Great Circle in sailing along the Great Circle);
- DTW distance to the WP;
- TTG time to go to the next waypoint;
- ETA estimated date and time of arrival in the next waypoint;
- NEW CRS direction of the next route leg.

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Display Pilot Mode:

- BTW bearing to the current WP;
- NEXT direction of the next route leg;
- WP not used;
- STG not used:
- ETA not used:
- TA not used.

вты 157°	NEXT 188°
WP	STG
ETA	
TA	

Display Weather Mode - not used

SET
ORIFT
WIND DIR
SPD
WAT.TEMP
DEPTH

Display Weather Forecast Mode – received forecast data in the ship position:

- Wind true wind direction and speed;
- Pressure atmospheric pressure (kPa);
- SHeight significant wave height;
- WSDir direction of the wind induced waves:
- WSPeriod period of the wind induced waves;
- WSHeight height of the wind induced waves;
- SDir swell direction;
- SPeriod swell period;
- SHeight swell height.
- 3. The lower part of the Information area displays:
- length of speed vectors and the range in nautical miles across the electronic chart display;
- selected scale of the chart display;

Wind 9m/s 1005.8 Pressure SHeisht 3.0m 310° WSDir WSPeriod 65 WSHeisht 2.5m SDir 300° SPeriod 11s SHeisht 1.0m

VECTORS FIXED
RANGE 925.70 nm
1: 5000,000
DEPTHS IN METRES



- and the following warnings:
 - "NOT RECOMM. SCALE" or "DANGEROUS SCALE", if the scale of the chart displayed on PA screen is up to 5 or over 5 fixed points (respectively) larger than that of the paper original;
 - "LAYERS LOST", if not all the Standard display (see paragraph 1.1.4) information layers are shown;
 - "LOOK UP BETTER CHART", if there is a larger scale chart available for the vessel position than that loaded.

Menu Area

The multi-level *Main menu* is displayed in this area of the utility.

The following information and dialogue windows can be displayed in the *Menu area* during the PA operation:

- data input window served for the input of required numeric values, names, etc.;
- objects, colours, names selection window.



4.2.4 Brief Description of the Menu Functions

Information set forth in this document is presented in the form of a table:

Play Ahead Main menu function	Brief statement of purpose
1	2

When the menu functions are specified in the first column, the following designations are used:

- capital letters designate the PA Main menu keys;
- "\" means that the function belongs to the submenu of the *Main menu* keys specified before;
- "\\" means that the function belongs to the "\" submenu etc.

1	2
AHEAD	To re-draw the screen with the vessel symbol shifting in the direction opposite to the current course
ZOOM	To display the selected chart fragment or the required sailing area on the PA screen

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1	2
SCALE	To set the screen scale in the PA Chart area
INFO	To obtain information on the electronic chart and objects plotted on it
REVIEW	To view other sailing areas by means of cursor shifting
CHART	To provide access to the functions used for work with charts
\Load-Pos'n	To load any of the charts under the ownship symbol position
\Load-List	To load any chart from the collection by its number
\Charts unload	To unload all the charts from the PA
\Grid lines	To turn on/off the coordinate grid on the PA screen
\Charts autoload	To turn on/off the chart autoloading, associated with the ship's motion
\Charts autoscale	To set the scale of the automatically loaded chart:
	current PA screen scale;
	original chart scale
\Information layers	To provide access to the functions used for turning on/off the display of individual classes of chart information on the PA screen (see paragraph 1.1.4)
\\Standard display	To turn on/off the display of Standard Display objects
\\Spot soundings	To turn on/off the display of all the soundings charted
\\Spot soundings to	To turn on/off the display of soundings larger than set by this function
	To turn on/off the display of the following information layers:
\\Isolated dangers	isolated dangers to navigation;
\\Cables, pipelines	submerged cables and pipelines;
\\Ferry routes	ferry crossings;
\\Names	• names;
\\All depth contours	all depth contours larger than the safety depths;
\\Seabed	• seabed;
\\Question mark	not used;
\\M_Quality objs	not used;



1	2
\\Chart boundaries	boundaries of all the charts in the ship's folio;
\\Rest information	other information;
\\Marine facilities	not used
\\Scale bar	To turn on/off the display of "Scale bar" on the PA screen, which gives a clear idea of scale for a visual estimation of ranges
\\NavTex	not used
\All information	To turn on the display of all chart objects of all classes and categories specified in <i>Information layers menu</i>
\Original scale	To set the scale of the current displayed charts equal to the original paper chart scale
ROUTE	To provide access to the functions used for work with route monitoring and planning
	To handle the route loaded for monitoring:
\Select next WP	to turn on/off the mode of automatic or manual change of WPs;
\Enter next WP	to manually set the "monitored" WP number;
\Load route	to load the route;
\Unload route	to unload the route from the PA;
\Arrival circle	 to set the circle around the WP; when this circle is crossed, the route monitoring is switched from the current WP to the next WP
	To handle the route in planning mode:
\New	to generate a new passage route
\Open	to load a previously generated route
\Save	to save a newly created or edited route
\Close	to unload the route from the PA screen
\Edit	to edit a passage route
ADD INF	To provide access to the function used for work with "user charts" (see paragraph 1.1.4)
\Active user chart	To switch the activity of "layers" intended for the loading of user charts (see paragraph 1.1.4)
\Color	To turn on/off the facility for plotting and display of coloured objects on the user charts

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1	2
\Graphic editor	To provide access to the functions used for work with the graphic editor for creating and editing user charts
\\Add a new object	To display a selection of objects for plotting on the user chart:
\\\Symbols	navigational symbols;
\\Manual Correction	 symbols complying with requirements of IHO ECDIS Presentation Library Special Publication No. 52;
\\\External Symbols	additional (own) symbols;
\\\Depths	• soundings;
\\\Lights	• lights;
\\\Buoys	• buoys;
\\\Racons	• racons;
\\\Lines	lines and zones;
\\\Guard zones	• guard zones;
\\\Dangers	 symbols of dangers to navigation;
\\\Text	texts on the chart;
\\\Information	texts stored under "i" symbol;
\\\Cancelling by hand	cross-out symbol
\\Edit Info	To enter information stored on the user chart under a symbol of any objects plotted on it and to edit such information
	To edit objects plotted on the user charts in the following manner:
\\Edit object	to edit texts, lines and zones;
\\Delete object	• to remove objects (with a reconstruction option);
\\Shift object	• to shift an object;
\\Shift all object	to shift all the objects on the user chart
\\Merge charts	To duplicate data contained on a user chart onto another user chart (from the inactive "layer" to the active one)
\User chart list	To load a previously created user chart into the active "layer" of PA screen



1	2	
\Unload active chart	To unload user charts from the active "layer" of PA screen	
\Save active chart	To save a created or edited user chart	
\Information layers	To provide access to the functions serving for turning on/off the display of the following objects on the user chart:	
\\Symbols	navigational symbols;	
\\Depths	soundings;	
\\Lights	• lights;	
\\Buoys	• buoys;	
\\Racons	• racons;	
\\Lines	lines and zones;	
\\Guard zones	guard zones;	
\\Dangers	symbols of dangers to navigation;	
\\Text	texts on the chart;	
\\Info	"i" symbol storing the information;	
\\Cancelling by hand	cross-out symbols	
\\All information	To turn on the facility for plotting and displaying all the user chart objects	
\Show deleted	To turn on/off the display of deleted objects (in a special colour)	
\Move to Active chart	To re-construct the objects deleted from the user chart by picking them up	
ERBL	To turn on the PA ERBL (Electronic Range and Bearing Line)	
PORT	To provide access to the functions used for providing brief information on ports, and performing the following operations on the database:	
\Load	loading into RAM;	
\Unload	unloading	
	To select (search for) the port of interest in the following ways:	
\By name	by the port name;	
\By region	by the area;	

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1	2		
\By country	by the name of the country;		
\By cursor	by the cursor position (in the 30 mile zone)		
\Screen ON/OFF	To display information on the port, provided during the last access to the function		
\Units	To select the measurement units for depths and heights in the information provided on the selected port:		
	• in metres;		
	in feet		
TIDE	To provide access to the functions used for providing information on tides and performing the following operations on the database:		
\Load	loading into RAM;		
\Unload	unloading		
	To select (search for) the required reference point in the following ways:		
\By name	by the name of the point;		
\By cursor	by the cursor position (in the 30 mile zone)		
\Screen ON/OFF	To display the information on tides supplied during the last access to the function		
\Nearest place	To display the name of the nearest reference point		
\Units	To select measurement units for tidal rise in the provided information:		
	• in metres;		
	in feet		
\Time	To select the time system which the tidal curve will be shown in:		
	local time;		
	ship's time		
\Visible	To turn on/off the display of tidal rise in all the reference points available in the PA database		
\By hour	To view the dynamics of changes in the tidal rise in the reference points within the selected chart fragment with the change of time with 1 hour discretion		



1	2	
CURRENT	To get access to the functions used for providing information on tidal and surface currents, and performing the following operations on the database:	
\Load	loading into RAM;	
\Unload	unloading	
\Visible	To turn on/off the display of currents vectors:	
\By hour	To view the dynamics of changes in the current acting in the selected chart fragment hour-by-hour	
\By month	To view the dynamics of changes in the current acting in the selected chart fragment month-by-month	
CLIMATE	To enable access to the functions used for providing information on wind and waves, and performing the following operations on the database:	
\Load	loading into RAM;	
\Unload	unloading	
	To turn on/off the display of vectors	
\Result wind	for the resulting wind;	
\Prevail wind	for the prevailing wind	
\Wave height	To turn on/off the display of wave height contour lines	
\Winds by month	To view the dynamics of changes in the direction and value of wind vectors within the selected chart fragment with the change of time with 1 month discretion	
\Wave by month	To view the dynamics of changes in wave height contour lines with the change of time with 1 month discretion	
WEATHER	To enable access to the functions used for providing information on the received weather forecast	
\Animation	To view changes in the weather forecast in dynamics with a set time step	
\Auto mode On/Off	To turn on/off automatic display of the weather parameters change dynamics	
\By hour	To set the time step for the weather parameters change	
\Options	To provide access to the functions used for weather data visualisation parameters	

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1	2	
\\Wind (Pressure, Signif. Height etc.)	To provide access to the functions used for changing the following visualisation parameters:	
\\\Color	colour (for Wind parameter only)	
\\\Length	vector length (for Wind parameter only)	
\\\Contours Visible On\Off	turning on/off the display of contour lines	
\\\Contour step	discreteness of contour lines	
\\\Contours number On\Off	numbers on contour lines	
\\\Grid number On\Off	turning on/off the display of numeric values on the contour lines	
\\\Base grid On\Off	 turning on/off the display of base values only for the given weather parameter 	
\\\Calculated grid On\Off	turning on/off the display of calculated (interpolated) values only	
\Wind (Pressure, Signif. Height etc.) On\Off	To turn on/off visualisation of the given weather parameter	
HELP	To obtain information on the PA operation	
CONFIG	To provide access to the functions used for making initial PA settings, as well as for obtaining additional information in the process of utility operation	
\Display color set	To select the screen colour palettes (to suit the time of the day):	
\\Daylight	Daytime;	
\\Twilight	Twilight;	
\\Dusk	 Moonlit night (PA Information area is shown against white background); 	
\\Night	 Moonless night (PA Information area is shown against white background); 	
\\Dusk Inverted	 Moonlit night (PA Information area is shown against black background); 	
\\Night Inverted	 Moonless night (PA Information area is shown against black background) 	
\Display	To select one of the 5 display types in the PA Information Area (see item 4.2.3 "Information area" [2])	



1	2	
\Cursor	To select the type of the PA <i>Graphics cursor</i> (see paragraph 4.2.6 "Graphics cursor")	
\Precision	To select the precision of the own vessel coordinates displayed in the PA Information area:	
	.001 – with a precision of up to three digits after the decimal point;	
	.HIGH – with a precision of up to 5 digits after the decimal point (degrees not displayed)	
\Monitor	To set the size (along the diagonal) of the monitor's active zone (from 250 to 800 mm)	
	To turn on/off the mode of permanently displaying Help information on the PA <i>Main menu</i> functions (when the cursor is positioned on them) in the following form:	
\Help mode	window with information in the bottom part of the PA screen;	
\Prompt mode	brief information in a utility's bottom bar	
\Exit	To turn the PA off	

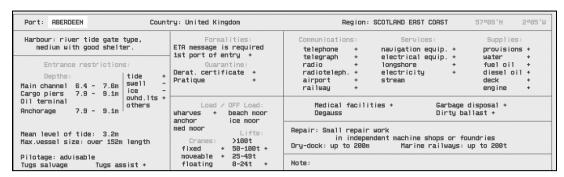
4.2.5 Additional Capabilities in the Use of PA Utility

Obtaining Information on Ports

Information on the ports is based on document PUB 150, "World Port Index" published by the Defense Mapping Agency, USA. It should be noted that this is only approximate information which does not necessarily include all the navigational and other features affecting the safety at sea, or the latest updates.

Information on the selected port is displayed in a window in the bottom part of the PA screen, and contains the following groups of data:

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- Name of the port, country and area which the port belongs to (in the top line of the information window);
- Harbour harbour type and size;
- Entrance restrictions list of natural factors restricting the vessels' entrance;
- Depths depths in the main channel, at the principal cargo berth and/or at the oil terminal and at the principal anchorage;
- Pillage;
- Tugs;
- Formalities port formalities;
- Load/OFF Load cargo handling operations;
- Communications available communications;
- Services provided port services;
- Supplies supplies;
- Medical facilities medical institutions;
- Repair repair facilities;
- Note comments.

To obtain information on the required port use the following procedure:

The PA menu function involved and/or actions required to be taken	Indicator of the function and/or menu button (keyboard key)	PA display of the actions performed and/or notes
1	2	3
PORT\Load	<enter></enter>	To load the database on ports in the RAM



The PA menu function involved and/or actions required to be taken	Indicator of the function and/or menu button (keyboard key)	PA display of the actions performed and/or notes
Select depth measurement units:		
PORT\Units	METRES	Soundings and heights in the port information are displayed in metres
	FEET	Depths and heights are measured in feet

To select (or search) for the port of interest, use one of the following procedures.

By the port name:

1	2	3
PORT\By name	<enter></enter>	The bottom part of the screen displays an information window containing the list of all the ports available in the database, arranged in the alphabetical order
Use the keyboard for typing the first letters of the port name as required for the search	<enter></enter>	The same window displays information on the selected port (in case of an incorrect input, or when the required port is not available in the database, a small question mark appears to the left of the cursor)
Repeat the procedure as required	<esc></esc>	A window with the list of ports appears again
	<esc></esc>	To remove the information window from the screen



Note: when a port has several known names, the list contains all of them, alternative names having references to the principal one.

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By the area:

1	2	3
PORT\By region	<enter></enter>	The bottom part of the screen displays an information window with the list of all the areas arranged in the alphabetical order
Position the cursor on the required area, or use the keyboard for typing the first letters of its name as required for the search	<enter></enter>	The same window displays a list of ports belonging to this area
Position the cursor on the required port, or use the keyboard for typing the first letters of its name as required for the search	<enter></enter>	Information on the selected port is displayed
Repeat the procedure as required	<esc></esc>	A window with the list of ports is displayed again
	<esc></esc>	To remove the information window from the screen

• By the country name:

1	2	3
PORT\By country	<enter></enter>	The bottom part of the screen displays an information window with the list of all the countries arranged in the alphabetical order
Position the cursor on the required area, or use the keyboard for typing the first letters of its name as required for the search	<enter></enter>	The same window displays a list of ports belonging to this country
Position the cursor on the required port, or use the keyboard for typing the first letters of its name as required for the search	<enter></enter>	Information on the selected port is displayed
Repeat the procedure as required	<esc></esc>	A window with the list of ports is displayed again
	<esc></esc>	To remove the information window from the screen



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• By the cursor position:

1	2	3
PORT\By cursor	<enter></enter>	A <i>Graphics cursor</i> appears
Position the cursor in the place of interest on the chart	<enter></enter>	The bottom part of the screen displays an information window with the list of all the ports within the range of 30 miles from the cursor position
Position the cursor on the required port, or use the keyboard for typing the first letters of its name as required for the search	<enter></enter>	The same window displays information on the selected port
Repeat the procedure as required	<esc></esc>	A window with the list of ports is displayed again
	<esc></esc>	A window with the list of ports is displayed again

Having once viewed information on the required port, you will be able to use the PA facilities for referring to this information without having to repeat the above procedures (in this case the database should be loaded in the RAM):

1	2	3
PORT\Screen ON/OFF		To display/hide a window with information provided during the latest access to the function

Obtaining Information on Tides

Attention!

The following limitations are imposed on the used of databases on tides, tidal currents and surface currents:

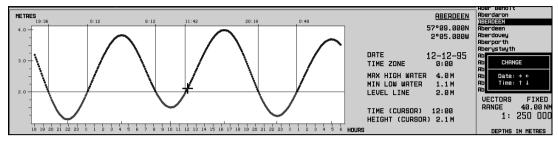
information cannot be displayed unless a weather forecast received from Transas Marine weather server is available;

upon the expiry of 14 day period after the receipt of the latest weather forecast, supply of information is terminated.

Tides are calculated in full compliance with the procedure and from the data described in the UK Admiralty Tables NP 158 and with accuracy commensurate with this procedure.

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Information on tides at the selected reference point is displayed in a window in the bottom part of the PA screen, and contains the following data:



- tide curve showing the tidal rise (in metres or feet) in accordance with time (local or ship's time);
- critical water level value set by the navigator using the vessel's draft and the least depth of channel;
- time intervals marked with vertical lines and highlighted with colour, when the water level is higher than the set level;
- additional information section:
 - reference point name and its coordinates;
 - Date the set date which the calculations were made for:
 - Time zone (or Ship's time) time shift with reference to GMT (or an indication that the ship's time is used);
 - Max high water maximum high water;
 - Min low water minimum low water;
 - Level line set water level:
 - Cursor: time, height time and water rise corresponding to the cursor position.

To control the cursor when working with the tide curve, use the tracker-ball or cursor control keys on the keyboard. Use the trackerball side-ways motion (or the appropriate keys on the keyboard) to change the set calculations data which is in this case shown in the orange colour. To determine the water rise at any set time, move the trackerball up and down (or use the appropriate keys on the keyboard) thus moving the cursor from this moment of time and obtaining the water rise readout in the additional information section.

Information on tides can be obtained both, for the nearest point to vessel position and for the required reference point. In addition the PA



allows viewing the dynamics of changes in the tidal rise in all the reference points available in the PA database with discretion of 1 hour.

1. The tidal rise in the closest reference point to the current vessel position (if there is any within the range of 30 miles). To determine it use the following procedure:

The PA menu function involved and/or actions required to be taken	Indicator of the function and/or menu button (keyboard key)	PA display of the actions performed and/or notes
1	2	3
TIDE\Load	<enter></enter>	To load the database on tides in RAM
Turn on the display of data on the tidal rise:		
CONFIG\Display (or press <tab> hot key successively)</tab>	SYSTEM	Display System Mode is turned on the PA <i>Information area</i> , where the tidal rise is specified
If required, determine the closest reference point which this information was provided for:		
TIDE\Nearest place	<enter></enter>	The Menu area displays an information window containing the reference point name, its coordinates and distance from the vessel position
		If there are no reference points within the range of 30 miles, the <i>Menu area</i> displays a "Not found" message which is acknowledged by pressing any key

2. To obtain information on tides at the selected reference point use the following procedure:

1	2	3
TIDE\Load	<enter></enter>	To load the database on tides in RAM

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Select the tidal rise measurement units:		
TIDE\Units	METRES	To show tidal rise in meters
	FEET	To show tidal rise in feet
Select the time measure- ment option which the tide curve will be referenced to:		
TIDE\Time	TZONE	To obtain information for the local time
	SHIP'S	To obtain information for the ship's time

To select a reference point of interest use one of the following procedures.

By the reference point name:

1	2	3
TIDE\By name	<enter></enter>	The <i>Menu area</i> displays a name input window
Use the keyboard to type the reference point name or several beginning letters for the search	<enter></enter>	If several beginning letters of the name were entered, the <i>Menu area</i> displays a list of reference point names arranged in the alphabetical order and starting with the typed letters; if the database on the refe-
		rence points contains the entered name, the Menu area displays a data input window (see below);
		if the database does not contain the entered name, the <i>Menu area</i> displays a "Not found" message (which is acknowledged by pressing any key)
Position the cursor on the required item, or use the keyboard to enter several starting letters from its name sufficient for its search	<enter></enter>	The Menu area displays an input window containing the name and coordinates of the selected reference point, as well as the default data: current date and water level above the datum equal to 2 m



By the cursor position:

1	2	3
TIDE\By cursor	<enter></enter>	A Graphics cursor appears
Position the cursor in the place of interest on the chart; or use <tab> key to switch activity to the information window and enter the coordinates manually</tab>	<enter></enter>	The Menu area displays a list of all the reference points within the range of 30 miles from the cursor position; if there are no reference points within the range of 30 miles, the Menu area displays a "Not found" message (which is acknowledged by pressing any key)
Position the cursor on the required reference point, or use the keyboard for typing the first letters of its name as required for the search	<enter></enter>	The Menu area displays an input window containing the name and coordinates of the selected reference point, as well as the default data: current date and water level above the datum equal to 2 m

After the data input window has appeared in the *Menu area*, use the following procedure to display the tide curve:

1	2	3
Enter the required date group by group of digits	<enter></enter>	"Level" line is activated
Enter the water level above the datum you are interested in	<enter></enter>	Information on tides is displayed in the bottom part of the PA screen
Move the cursor to read off the required tide parameters		Procedure to work with the tide curve is specified in the introductory part of this chapter
	<esc></esc>	To remove the tide curve from the PA screen

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Having once viewed information on the tide, you will be able to use the PA facilities for referring to this information without having to repeat the above procedures (in this case the database should be loaded in the RAM):

1	2	3
TIDE\Screen ON/OFF	<enter></enter>	To display/hide a window with information provided during the latest access to the function

3. To display the tidal condition in the reference points in the navigation area of interest over a certain time interval use the following procedure:

1	2	3
TIDE\Load	<enter></enter>	To load the database on tides in RAM
TIDE\Visible	ON	To turn on the display of tidal rise in reference points on the PA screen
Use REVIEW and SCALE function to display the required fragment in the Chart area and set the scale suitable for the display of currents' vectors		vectors of currents do not appear on an electronic chart unless its scale is larger than 1:4,000,000.
TIDE\By hour	<enter></enter>	The Menu area displays an information window showing the number of hours counted from current moment and scales of visual estimates of the tidal rise
By incrementing the time interval (one hour at each press) set the required moment of time	<↑>, <↓>	Tide levels in the reference points displayed on electronic chart fragment are changing with the change of time

Obtaining Climatic Data

The climate database includes information on wind and sea. The source of this database of information obtained from NOAA – CD-Rom U.S. Navy "Marine Climatic Atlas of the World", Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command, which contains processed data of meteorological observations accumulated over the period from 1854 until 1969.



The PA has a facility for showing vectors of prevailing and resulting wind which are displayed in the green colour and originate in the same reference points located in the corners of a 1x1 degree grid (in latitude and longitude). It is assumed that the resulting wind is the summary vector of the "wind rose" components, whilst the prevailing wind is represented by the largest vector.

Information on sea is shown in the PA in the form of a line equal to the wave height (in the green colour). The wave height value which this contour line corresponds to is specified next to it.

Apart from the display of wind vectors and a line equal to the wave height for the current month, the PA provides a facility for viewing the dynamics of their change with one month discretion.

1. To display wind vectors on the PA screen and view the dynamics of their changes by months use the following procedure:

The PA menu function involved and/or actions required to be taken	Indicator of the function and/or menu button (keyboard key)	
1	2	3
CLIMATE\Load	<enter></enter>	To load the wind and sea database in RAM
CLIMATE\Result wind	ON	To turn on the display or resulting wind vectors
CLIMATE\Prevail wind	ON	To turn on the display of prevailing wind vectors
Use REVIEW and SCALE function to display the required fragment in the Chart area and set the scale suitable for the display of currents' vectors		wind vectors and sea contour lines do not appear on an electronic chart unless its scale is larger than 1:75,000,000.
CLIMATE\Winds by month	<enter></enter>	The Menu area displays an information window with the indication of the calendar month which the displayed vectors correspond to, and the scales of visual estimates of the wind speed (in m/sec) shown by the vector

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The PA menu function involved and/or actions required to be taken	Indicator of the function and/or menu button (keyboard key)	
Set the required month of the year by the successive pressing of a key	Any key except <esc></esc>	The wind vectors on the dis- played electronic chart frag- ment are changing with the change of time

2. To display the wave height contour lines on the PA screen and view the dynamics of their changed by months, use the following procedure:

1	2	3
CLIMATE\Load	<enter></enter>	To load the database on wind and sea in RAM
CLIMATE\Wave height	ON	To turn on the display of a corresponding to the wave height
CLIMATE\Wave by month	<enter></enter>	The same line shows the names of calendar months which the displayed lines correspond to
Set the required month of the year by the successive pressing of a key	Any key except <esc></esc>	The wind vectors on the displayed electronic chart fragment are changing with the change of time

Obtaining Information on Currents

Attention!

The following limitations are imposed on the used of databases on tides, tidal currents and surface currents:

information cannot be displayed unless a weather forecast received from Transas Marine weather server is available;

upon the expiry of 14 day period after the receipt of the latest weather forecast, supply of information is terminated.

PA database on tidal currents has been created on the basis of information presented on paper nautical charts where the tidal current vectors are calculated for each hour for individual points of navigation area covered by the given chart. Information on the surface currents was created after the processing of the initial (observed) data of the US National Oceanography Centre (NODC and NOAA).



The PA has a facility for displaying vectors and taking into account the effect of tidal and surface currents. Vectors of tidal currents are shown on the PA screen in the blue colour, whilst the surface currents are shown in the black colour (in the daylight palette). Vectors originate in the reference points for which the coordinates and parameters of currents were taken from the aforementioned sources. For the point of the current vessel position the acting current is determined by interpolation between the closest reference points.

In addition to displaying vectors for the current moment of time, the PA permits viewing the dynamics of changes in the currents with discretion of one hour (for the tidal currents) and a month (for surface currents). It should be noted that the viewing of changes in the tidal currents can be combined with a simultaneous display of dynamics of changes in the tidal rise in all the reference points available in the PA database.

 To display vectors of currents on the PA screen use the following procedure:

The PA menu function involved and/or actions required to be taken	Indicator of the function and/or menu button (keyboard key)	
1	2	3
CURRENT\Load (in both sections of CUR- RENT submenu)	<enter></enter>	To load the databases on currents into RAM
TASK\CURRENT\Visible (in both sections)	ON	To display vectors of currents on the PA screen
Turn on the display of data on the tidal status and the current acting in the vessel position:		
CONFIG\Display (or press successively <tab> hot key)</tab>	SYSTEM	Display System Mode is switched on in the PA <i>Information area</i> , where the tidal rise, direction and speed of current are displayed

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2. To display the condition of the acting current in the navigation area of interest over a certain time interval, use the following procedure:

1	2	3
CURRENT\Load (in both sections of CURRENT submenu)	<enter></enter>	To load the database on currents into RAM
CURRENT\Visible (in both sections)	ON	To display vectors of currents on the PA screen
Use REVIEW and SCALE function to display the required fragment in the Chart area and set the scale suitable for the display of currents' vectors		The vectors of currents are not displayed on the electronic charts on scales larger than 1:3,000,000

For the tidal currents:

CURRENT\By hour (in 'Tidal currents' sections)	<enter></enter>	The Menu area displays an information window showing the number of hours to be counted from the current moment, and the scale of visual estimation of the current's speed represented by the vector
Set the required time by incrementing (one hour at each press) the time interval	<↑>, <↓>	Vectors of currents in the dis- played electronic chart area are changing with the pas- sage of time (see Fig. 4-4)



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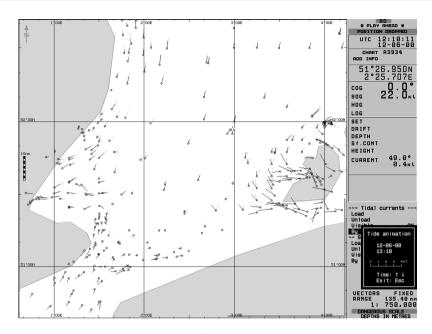


Fig. 4-4

For the surface currents:

CURRENT\By month. (in Surface currents section)	<enter></enter>	The Menu area displays an information window showing the calendar month, which the displayed vectors and scales of visual assessment of current's speed represented by the vector, correspond to
Set the required month of the year by the incrementing (one month at each press)	<↑>, <↓>	Vectors of currents in the dis- played electronic chart area are changing with the pas- sage of time

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4.2.6 Additional Controls

"Hot Keys"

Keys	PA function	Brief statement of purpose of the other functions
1	2	3
<f1></f1>	HELP	
<f5></f5>	REVIEW	
<f6></f6>	SCALE	
<f7></f7>	ZOOM	
<f8></f8>	AHEAD	
<f10></f10>	ROUTE\WP Editor	
<f11></f11>	INFO	
<f12></f12>	ERBL	
<ctrl>+<print Screen></print </ctrl>		To make a graphic copy of the PA screen
	CONFIG\Display color set\:	
<alt>+<f1></f1></alt>	Daylight	
<alt>+<f2></f2></alt>	Twilight	
<alt>+<f3></f3></alt>	Dusk	
<alt>+<f4></f4></alt>	Night	
<alt>+<f5></f5></alt>	Dusk Inverted	
<alt>+<f6></f6></alt>	Night Inverted	
<alt>+<f8></f8></alt>	CHART\Information layers	
<alt>+<f10></f10></alt>	ADDINF\Graphic editor	
<alt>+<l></l></alt>		To turn ON/OFF the electro- nic chart display of circles standing for the lighthouse sectors
<alt>+<r></r></alt>		To have the screen regenerated (re-drawn)
<insert></insert>		To attach the vessel's symbol to the chart



Keys	PA function	Brief statement of purpose of the other functions
<delete></delete>		To detach the vessel's symbol to the chart
<tab></tab>	CONFIG\Display	
<+>		To increase the chart display scale
<->		To reduce the chart display scale
<*>	CHART\Original scale	

Free Cursor

This control facility is a cursor which is moved by the trackerball over the entire screen taking on different shapes and functional capabilities in different display areas.

Free cursor's functional capabilities listed below depend on its position on the PA screen (some of them are not duplicated by the keyboard).

- 1. In the *Menu area* the *Free cursor* takes a shape of a box marking off the PA *Main menu* keys, similar to the operation of an ordinary cursor.
- 2. In the PA *Information area* the *Free cursor* has a shape of an arrow which can be used for performing the following functions:

Functional capability	Procedure required for implementing it
1	2
To attach the vessel's symbol to the chart	Position the cursor on "Position Dropped" warning (in the third line of the PA <i>Information area</i>) and press the left trackerball button
To change the accuracy of coordinates obtained from the positioning system	Position the cursor in the section containing the current vessel position coordinates and press the left trackerball button
To select one of the five display modes in the Information area	Position the cursor in the appropriate section and press the left trackerball button successive
To change scale	Position the cursor on the line with the current electronic chart scale, press the left trackerball button and select the required scale

3. In the *Chart area* the *Free cursor* may have a shape of various tools switched by pressing the right trackerball button:

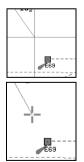
Free cursor's shape	Functional capabilities implemented by pressing the left trackerball button
1	2
View	To activate REVIEW function
View (when the cursor is positioned on a light-house)	To display a window with the parameters of bearing and range to this lighthouse
View (when the cursor is positioned on the chart boundary)	To load the selected chart
View (when the cursor is positioned on the route)	To select a route for editing
Zoom	To activate ZOOM function
ERBL	To activate ERBL function

Chart

If you position the *Free cursor* on the bottom edge of the *Chart area* and press the left button, the CONFIG\Prompt Mode information line will be enabled\disabled.

Graphics Cursor

Graphics cursor is used in the operation of some PA functions and has a shape of an intersection of lines corresponding to the latitude and longitude of the given point, the shape of the cursor, however, can be changed as required:



1	2	3
CONFIG\Cursor	LONG	The cursor is shown as an intersection of two lines corresponding to the latitude and longitude of the given point (see Fig.)
	SHORT	The cursor is shown as a small cross (see Fig.)



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Information window which appears in the *Menu area* simultaneously with the *Graphics cursor* contains the following data:

- this window's name reflecting the PA facility which the Graphics cursor is used within:
- cursor position coordinates:
- values of bearing/reciprocal bearing and range to the cursor from the ownship position (in miles and metres).



"Acquisition marker" is a modification of the *Graphics cursor*. This auxiliary PA tool is a square box with a dot in the centre; it is used in different functions for acquiring objects displayed on the PA screen. To control the acquisition marker and obtain information on its position use the procedure similar to that used for controlling the *Graphics Cursor*.

4.3 Route Editor

4.3.1 Purpose

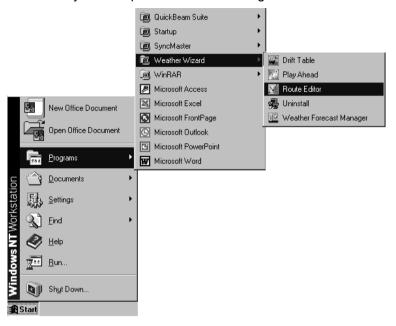
- · Generation, editing and deleting of routes;
- Route calculations for the routes made both, in the "RE" and in the "PA", taking into account the effect of weather conditions and tidal and surface currents:
- Comparison of routes to select the optimum one with regard to the following criteria: speed loss caused by the currents and weather conditions, time underway and overall length of the passage route;
- Playing ahead of the route passage (in conjunction with Play Ahead utility) taking into account calculations made.

See also item 2.2.

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4.3.2 Running and Exiting from the Utility

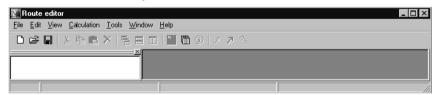
To run RE utility use the procedure shown in fig:



To exit from the utility, use Exit function from File menu, or button in the top right corner of the utility window.

4.3.3 Description of the Utility

The utility window consists of the *Main menu* bar, *Auxiliary Menu Toolbar*, and the utility's *Main window*:



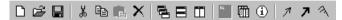
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Main Menu

The *Main menu* is located on the top panel in the utility window and enables access to the utility's control functions via a number of pull-down menus:

Auxiliary Menu Toolbar

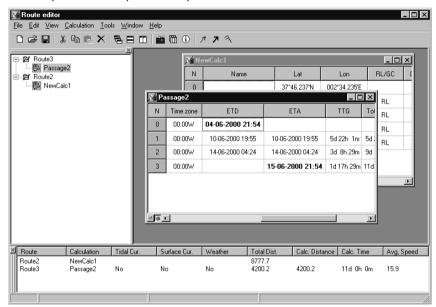
The buttons are ranged on the toolbar below the *Main menu* bar and contain pictograms of the most frequently used utility functions:



The functions and buttons of the program's Main and Auxiliary Menus are detailed in paragraph 4.3.4.

Main Window

The *Main window* is intended for the display of *Route Tables*, dedicated "*Route Explorer*" facility for handling route files, as well as of the special "*Comparison*" panel:



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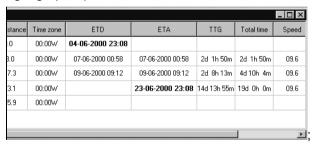
Route (or Voyage Schedule) Table

Rows in the *Route Table* contain waypoints (WP) data, columns contain route parameters:

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N	Name	Lat	Lon	RL/GC	Distance	Course	Total distance
0	Belgium	53°32.033'N	006°45.778'E		00.0	0°	00.0
1		60°08.306'N	001°24.845′W	RL	478.0	325°	478.0
2	Iceland	62°58.137'N	019°20.443′W	RL	539.3	288°	1017.3
3	Cuba	17°59.708'N	068°05.314′W	GC	3355.8	239°	4373.1
4	Panama	09°49.084'N	078°46.898'W	RL	792.7	231°	5165.9
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The number of rows in the table is specified automatically from the last WP number. There are several ways to set the number of displayed route parameters:

 By using the Main menu functions – View\As route which turns on the display of geographic route parameters (see above) or View\As Calculation which adds parameters of the route passage schedule calculations to the geographic parameters;



- By using buttons in the left bottom corner of the Route Table, which have the same functionality as View\As route and View\As Calculation functions accordingly;
- By using View\Select columns of Main menu function which enables the user to turn on/off the display of any required parameters out of those listed below:

Route parameter	Meaning	
1	2	
"Route view"	Group of geographic parameters	
Name	WP name (may not be available)	

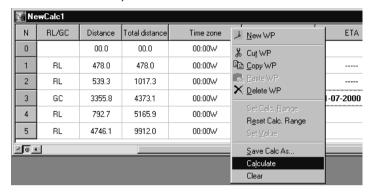


Route parameter	Meaning
Lat and Lon	WP geographic coordinates
RL/GC	Type of the line connecting two WP's (Rhumb Line or Great Circle)
Distance	Distance between two WP's
Course	Bearing from a WP to the next WP
Total Distance	The total distance from the start of the route to the given WP
Port (Stb.) Width	XTE value to the port (starboard) of the current route leg
Arrival circle	Radius value of the circle described around the given WP; when this circle is crossed, the route monitoring is switched from this WP to the next WP on the ship's route
Turn rate	Rate of turn planned for the given WP
Turn radius	Radius of the turning circle planned for the given WP
"Calculation view"	The aforementioned geographic parameters are supplemented with a group of parameters required for the generation a schedule of the ship's progress along the given route
Time zone	Time zone for the geographic area which the given WP belongs to
ETD	Estimated time of departure from the given WP
Stay	Estimated time of staying in the given WP
ETA	Estimated time of arrival in the given WP
TTG	Travel time between two WP's
Total Time	Total time underway counting from the ETD from the first WP
Speed	Travel speed on the route leg
Average Speed	Average speed on the route

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Context Menu in the Route Table

Route Tables are handled either via the menu (see paragraph 4.3.4), or by using the context menu (menu displayed by clicking the right mouse/trackerball button):



Functions included in the context menu perform the following actions:

Name of the function	Its Main menu counterpart	Purpose
1	2	3
New WP	Edit\New WP	To add a new waypoint
Cut WP	Edit\Cut WP	To cut out a point from the active route into the clipboard
Copy WP	Edit\Copy WP	To copy a point from the active route into the clipboard
Paste WP	Edit\Paste WP	To insert a waypoint from the clipboard
Delete WP	Edit\Delete WP	To delete a waypoint from the active route
Set Calc. Range		To select several WP's for speci- fying the route segment which the schedule is intended to be generated for.
		To do this, use the following procedure:
		- "drag" the cursor with the left mouse button pressed, from the first to the last WP of the selected segment;



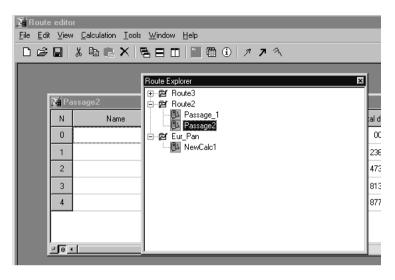
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Name of the function	Its Main menu counterpart	Purpose
		 call the context menu by pressing the right mouse button and execute "Set Calc. Range" command
Reset Calc. Range		To cancel the selected WP's intended for the voyage schedule generation
Set value		To set one and the same value of a certain parameter for several WP's simultaneously
		To do this, use the following procedure:
		 set the value in the top (bottom) cell;
		 "drag" the cursor with the left mouse button pressed, through all the other cells in the column;
		 call the context menu by clicking the tight mouse button and execute "Set value" command
Save Calc. As	File\Save Calc. As	To save the generated schedule with a possibility to change the file name
Calculate	Calculation\Calculate	To start the route calculations process (disabled if some of the parameters are entered incorrectly or missing)
Clear	Calculation\Clear	To delete the results of voyage schedule calculations from the Route Table

"Route Explorer"

"Route Explorer" facility is designed for handling route files and voyage schedules based on these routes. This data is stored in ROUTE subdirectory of the product directory (C:_Weather by default) and is presented in "Route Explorer" file in the form of a file tree, very similar to "Windows Explorer" program:

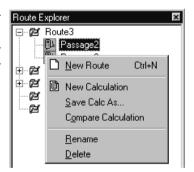
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"Route Explorer" window can be removed from the screen by pressing button in its top right corner. To display it again, use View\Route explorer Main menu function or <F11> functional key.

Context Menu in the Route Explorer

The "Route Explorer" is handled either via the menu (see paragraph 4.3.4), or by using the context menu (menu displayed by clicking the right mouse/trackerball button):



Functions included in the context menu perform the following actions:

Name of the function	Its Main menu counterpart	Purpose
1	2	3
New Route (<ctrl>+<n>)</n></ctrl>	File\New Route	To generate a new route (to open a "clear" Route Table)
New Calculation		To generate a new voyage schedule based on the given route (a



Name of the function	Its Main menu counterpart	Purpose	
		new voyage schedule table is opened)	
Save Calc. As	File\Save Calc. As	To save the generated schedule with a possibility to change the file name	
Compare Calculation	Tools\Compare	To load a schedule in the "Com- parison" panel, which serves for comparing several routes and/or schedules with each other	
Rename	File\Save As	To rename the schedule	
Delete		To turn off the display of previously generated schedules in the utility's Main window	

"Comparison" Panel

≚ Route	Calculation	Tidal Cur.	Surface Cur.	Weather	Total Dist.	Calc. Distance	Calc. Time	Avg, Speed
Route3 Route2 Route3	Passage2 Passage_1 NewCalc3	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	8931.8 5890.8 8931.8	5391.7 2007.4	19d 22h 2m 8d 2h 48m	11.3 10.3
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This panel displays data for an easy comparison of two or more schedules for the selection of the optimum one with regard to the following criteria:

Assessment criterion	Meaning			
1	2			
Tidal Current	Tidal current effect as the ship is proceeding under the given schedule			
Surface Current	Surface current effect			
Weather	Effect of weather conditions			
Total Distance	Overall route length			
Calculated Distance	Summary distance between the WPs, constituting the calculated route segment			
Calculated Time	Calculated time of passing the route segment selected for the calculations			
Average Speed	Average travel speed on the selected segment			

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"Comparison" panel can be removed from the display by pressing button in its top left corner. To display it again, use Tools\Compare Main menu function or toolbar button.

The calculated voyage schedules can be moved to the panel for comparison:

- Automatically if Calculation\Auto Compare Main menu function is enabled (for the "newly" calculated schedules only);
- Manually by "dragging" the route/schedule file from "Route Explorer" panel to "Comparison" panel.

Context Menu in "Comparison" Panel

Some more functions for handling "Comparison" panel are only accessible via the context menu:



Functions included in the context menu perform the following actions:

Name of the functions	Purpose
1	2
Remove calculation	To delete a selected voyage schedule from the panel
Stay On Top	To move a selected voyage schedule to the top line
Dockable	To activate the panel's capability to move from the bottom part of the screen and side with the left- or right hand border of the utility window

Motion Control Panel

This panel appears during the interaction of "Route Editor" and "Play Ahead" utilities and serves for the control of the ownship's symbol motion when modelling the passage of the route segment which the schedule was calculated for (see paragraph 5.1.8):



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Switches and buttons arranged on this panel perform the following functions:

Name of the button/switch	Purpose
1	2
•	To start the play-ahead of the ship's passage along the route
W.	To stop the play-ahead
Ж	To pass to the start WP of the voyage schedule
H	To pass to the end WP of the voyage schedule
*	To pass to the previous WP of the voyage schedule
*	To pass to the next WP of the voyage schedule
O Backward	To set direction of the play-ahead of the ship's passage along the route
Interval: 10 min 1 min 2 min 5 min 10 min 30 min 1 hour 2 hours 5 hours 10 hours 24 hours	To set the time interval for the display of the ship's position during the play-ahead of the passage along the route

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Name of the button/switch	Purpose
Time scale 1:4 ▼ 1:1 ▲ 1:2 1:3 1:5 1:6 1:7 1:8 1:9 1:10 ▼	To select the time scale for the play-ahead of the ship's passage along the route
0	Number of the current WP
12-05-00 15:01:00	Current (modelled) time

4.3.4 Program's Main and Auxiliary Menus

Utility Main menu function	Auxiliary Name Menu (toolbar) button		Purpose
1	2	3	4
File\New Route		New Route (Ctrl+N)	To open a "blank" table for the generation of a new route
File\Open	Ť	Open (Ctrl+O)	To open a table with the pre- viously generated and saved route
File\Close			To close an active Route Table
File\Save		Save (Ctrl+S)	To save an edited route under its old name
File\Save As			To save a newly generated/edited route under a new name
File\Save Calc. As			To save a generated route passage schedule under a new name
Edit\New WP			To add a new WP (after the end WP)

Utility Main menu function	Auxiliary Menu (toolbar) button	Name	Purpose
Edit\Cut	*	Cut Way Point	To remove WP data from the Route Table placing it in the Clipboard
Edit\Copy		Copy Way Point	To copy WP data into the Clipboard
Edit\Paste		Paste Way Point	To restore WP data from the Clipboard
Edit\Delete	×	Delete Way Point	To delete a line with WP data
View\As Route View\As Calculation View\Route explorer View\Select columns			See paragraph 4.3.3 "Route Table" and "Route Explorer"
Calculation\ Calculate			To start the schedule calculations process
Calculation\ Clear			To delete the results of vo- yage schedule calculations from the table
Calculation\ Options	1 7 A		To calculate the voyage schedule taking into account the effect:
\\Surface cur- rents		Surface currents	of surface currents
\\Tidal cur- rents		Tidal currents	tidal currents
\\Weather		Weather	weather factor (from the data if the weather fore- cast received via WFM facilities)
Calculation\ Auto Com- pare			To turn on the mode for the automatic display of calculation results for the newly generated voyage schedules

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Utility Main menu function	Auxiliary Menu (toolbar) button	Name	Purpose
			on "Comparison" panel (see paragraph 4.3.3)
Tools\Play Ahead		Play Ahead (F9)	To start "Play Ahead" utility for the playing ahead of the ship's passage along route in accordance with the schedule generated for this passage, as well as for viewing the weather forecasts for the time of proceeding along the route (see paragraph 5.1.8.)
Tools\Compare	m	Calculation Comparison	To turn on the display of "Comparison" panel which serves for the comparison of routes and their associated route schedules
Tools\Quick Information	1	Opens Quick Information Window	To obtain results of calculations made for the range and time of passage from one WP to another: Quick Information
Tools\Convert			To start a dedicated program for converting route generated in "Weather Wizard" software to a format compatible with "Navi-Sailor" software and the other way round (see paragraph 5.2.2)
	480		To arrange the Route Tables:
Window\Cas- cade		Cascade	in a cascade



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Utility Main menu function	Auxiliary Menu (toolbar) button	Name	Purpose
Window\Tile vertically		Tile vertically	in a vertical column
Window\Tile horizontally		Tile horizontally	in a horizontal row
Window\Mi- nimize all			To minimise all the Route Tables:
			Passage_1 Passage_1
Window\Arran ge all			Not used
Help\About			To obtain brief information on the program: Route Editor

4.4 Drift Table

4.4.1 Purpose

- To calculate wind and sea induced losses in the ship's speed with regard to its own geometric parameters;
- To enter the ownship parameters for their further use in the route calculations taking into account weather data in Route Editor program;
- To enable the user to make up own tables of ship speed losses with regard to the weather conditions.

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Calculations of wind and sea induced losses in the ship's speed are based on Aertssen's formula which takes into account some characteristics of the ship itself (length, breadth and windage).

4.4.2 Running of and Exiting from the Utility

To run DT utility use the procedure shown in Fig. 4-5:



Fig. 4-5

To exit from the utility, use Exit function from File menu, or **S** button in the top right corner of the utility window.

4.4.3 Description of the Utility

The utility screen contains the *Main menu* bar and the utility's *Main window* displaying the *speed loss table*:

☑ DriftTable - Drift Table Editor 📕 🗔 🗵										
<u>File Edit Test</u>	<u>File Edit Test</u>									
Wind (m/sec)	0	20	40	60	80	100	120	140	160	180
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	0	0
4	5	4	4	3	2	1	1	1	1	0
5	6	6	5	4	2	1	1	1	1	0
6	7	7	6	5	3	2	2	1	1	1
7	8	8	7	6	4	3	2	2	1	1
8	10	9	8	7	5	3	3	2	2	1
9	12	11	10	9	6	4	3	3	2	1
10	15	14	12	11	8	6	5	4	3	2
11	18	16	15	13	10	7	6	5	4	3
12	23	20	17	15	11	8	7	6	5	4

Fig. 4-6



Main Menu

The *Main menu* is located in the utility's top panel and provides access to the utility control functions via drop-down menus:



The functions and buttons of the program's *Main menu* are detailed in paragraph 4.4.4.

Main Window

The utility's *Main window* is designed for the display of the main table containing results of calculations of losses in the ship speed (in per cent) caused by the effect of two weather parameters: wind and sea (see Fig. 4-6).

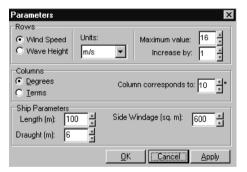
Speed Loss Table

Vertical columns show the direction of the apparent (relative) wind or sea, horizontal rows show the true wind speed or wave height.

At the intersection of the column containing the wind/sea direction value and the row with the value of wind speed/wave height, the ship speed loss value (in per cent) is read off.

Parameters Window

Parameters Selection of the calculation option (wind or sea effect), measurement units, adjustment of the convenient table display in the window, as well as the ownship parameter input, are made in "Parameters" window called via "Edit\Parameters" Main menu function:



"Parameters" window contains 3 panels:

Panel	Purpose				
1	2				
1. Rows:					
Rows Wind Speed Wave Height	To select the speed loss calculation option: • to take wind into account;				
	to take sea into account				

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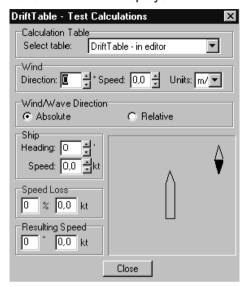
Panel	Purpose
Units:	To set the measurement units used for speed loss calculations in the table:
	for wind speed – m/s, km/h, knots;
	for wave height – metres or feet
Maximum value: 16 × 16 × 16 × 16 × 16 × 16 × 16 × 16	To set the range of wind speed or wave height variation for the calculations and display in the table:
	maximum value;
	discreteness of calculations
	Attention! Aertssen formula used for the calculations "operates" at the maxi- mum permissible wind speed value of 16 m/s and wave or swell height of 6 m
2. Columns:	To select the type of wind/sea direction presentation in the table:
© Degrees © Terms	in degrees with a set discreteness
	Column corresponds to: 10
	(in head-up semi-circular measure-ment system);
	in compass points (Head, Cheek-bone, Abeam, Fair) relative to the ship's centreline plane
3. Ship Parameters	
Ship Parameters	To enter the ship dimensions:
Length (m): 100 =	• length;
	draft
Side Windage (sq. m): 600	To enter windage in square metres
	It is worthwhile to leave the default value



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"Test Calculations" Window

"Test" Main menu command enables the play-ahead (test calculations) of ship speed changes depending on different values of the two aforementioned weather parameters. With the use of this function, "Test Calculations" window is displayed:



The window contains the following panels:

Panel	Purpose
1	2
Calculation Table: Calculation Table	To select the speed loss calculation table which will be used for the test:
Select table: DriftTable - in editor	 "in editor" – the current table (currently displayed in the utility's Main win- dow);
	"on server" — speed loss table, taken to be the "working" one (for the use by RE utility) by File\Set as current function
2. Wind: Wind Direction: Section: 0.0 Vinits: m/V	To set the wind true or relative parameters (see panel [3]) in the selected measurement units.
	The change of values will be automatically taken into account during the display of calculation results on panels [5] and [6]

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Panel	Purpose
3. Wind/Wave Direction: -Wind/Wave Direction • Absolute C Relative	To set the wind type: true; relative
4. Ship: Ship Heading: Speed: 0,0 ** kt	To enter the ownship direction (in degrees) and speed (in knots).
	The change of values will be automatically taken into account during the display of calculation results on panels [5] and [6]
5. Speed Loss Speed Loss 0 % 0,0 kt	Display of absolute (in knots) and relative (in per cent) value of speed loss due to the effect of weather parameters
6. Resulting Speed: Resulting Speed 0 ^ 0,0 kt	Display of the resulting ship speed
7. Display panel:	Graphic display of the entered parameters

4.4.4 Program's Main Menu

Utility's Main menu function	Hot keys	Purpose
1	2	3
File\New	<ctrl>+<n></n></ctrl>	To open a "blank" table for making new calculations expected to be used in the RE utility
File\Open	<ctrl>+<o></o></ctrl>	To open a table with previously made calculations



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Utility's Main menu function	Hot keys	Purpose
File\Save	<ctrl>+<s></s></ctrl>	To save an edited table under the previous name
File\Save As		To save a newly created/edited table with a new name
File\Set As Current		To set the current <i>speed loss table</i> for the further use in RE program (during the calculations of schedule taking into account weather parameters)
File\Get Current		To load the speed loss table currently used by RE utility in the utility's Main window
File\Exit	<ctrl>+<x></x></ctrl>	To exit from the program
Edit\Parameters	<ctrl>+<p></p></ctrl>	To set the ownship parameters, to select the type of calculations, to adjust the table for the display and select the measure- ment units (see also paragraph 4.4.3)
Edit\Clear	<ctrl>+<c></c></ctrl>	To clear the table from the current calculations
Edit\Calculate	<ctrl>+<a></ctrl>	To perform the calculations of the ship speed losses
Test		To display "Test Calculations" window for test calculations of the ship's resulting speed, with the set ship speed, direction, wind and sea parameters (see also paragraph 4.4.3)



5.1 Description of Type Tasks Accomplished by Using "Weather Wizard" Software

Attention! To display the weather forecast, use the procedures detailed in paragraphs 5.1.1 – 5.1.4.

5.1.1 Making up of a Weather Forecast Order

Run WFM utility (see paragraph 4.1.2)	The Request page is displayed
Select the weather parameters required to be ordered See also paragraph 4.1.3	Weather parameters ✓ Pressure ✓ Wind ✓ Significant height ✓ Wind sea ✓ Direction ✓ Period ✓ Height ✓ Period ✓ Height
Activate the parameters which is required to be determined/ checked the geographic area;	See also item. 4.1.3 "Request page" [2]
resolution;	
• time step;	
subscription period for the daily receipt	
If the aforementioned settings are planned to be identical for all the parameters, it is necessary: to check if "Synchronize changes" option is enabled	Synchronize changes



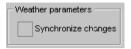
to go on to the next item

If an individual area, resolution, time step and subscription time is required to be set for any of the selected weather parameters, use the following procedure:

Turn off "Synchronize changes" option

Position the cursor on the name of the parameter for which the aforementioned settings are required to be made, and press the left trackerball/mouse button

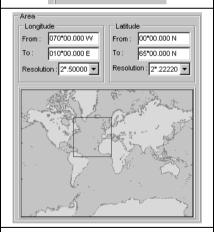
Attention! After the input of the area, resolution, time step and subscription time for the first parameter, this procedure should be repeated for each selected weather parameter, one by one



On the drawing below, "Wind" parameter is selected (highlighted in the red colour):



 Set the geographic area by using either of the procedures detailed in item 4.1.3 "Request Page" [3]

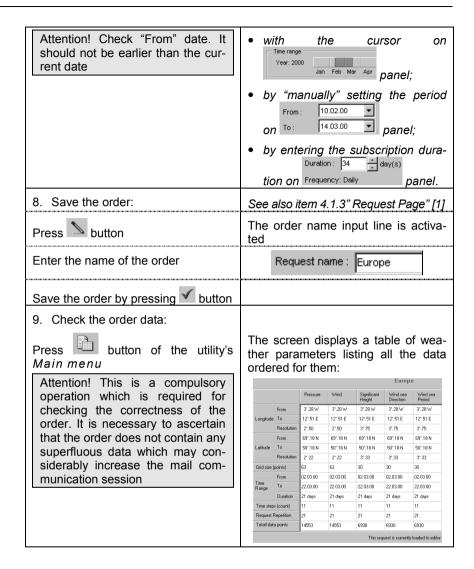


 Select accuracy of data presentation (resolution grid in degrees of latitude and longitude):

See also item 4.1.3 "Request Page" [3]

Use button to open the list of Longitude From: 71°51.000 N From: 050°46.000 W fixed accuracy values To: 056°02,000 E To: 38°21,000 N Resolution : 0°,83333 ▼ Resolution : 1°.25000 ▼ 1°.25000 🔺 2°.50000 3°.75000 6°.25000 7° 50000 8°.75000 10°.0 Resolution : 2º.22220 ▼ Resolution : 2°.50000 ▼ Select the required value and press the left mouse/trackerball button Attention! The finer the selected resolution grid, the higher will be the accuracy of the received parameter! With the fine resolution grid, however, the size of the received data grows significantly, which affects the mail session duration Time steps 6. Select fixed time value (step) which the forecast for the selec-**▽** +0 **□** +6 **▽** +12 ted weather parameters will be provided for, counting the number **▽** +36 **□** +42 **▽** +48 of hours from the beginning of the GMT day for the forecast receipt **▽** +96 **▽** +108 **▽** +120 date(see also item 4.1.3 Request Page" [4]) Attention! The smaller the set time step, the more accurate the There are two ways to set the time weather forecast dynamic model step: will be! In this case, however, the size of the received data grows • "manually" (by checking the apsignificantly, which affects the mail propriate checkbox ✓); session duration All Time steps by using button (see item 4.1.3 "Request Page" [4]) There are three ways to set the 7. Set the subscription time for the daily receipt of a weather forecast subscription time: (see item 4.1.3 "Request Page" [51)





5.1.2 Sending of a Weather Forecast Order

Attention! It is NOT ALLOWED to change e-mail setting from one mail system to another, or to switch mail systems from one profile or account to another, with the Weather Forecast Manager.

	,
Run WFM utility (see paragraph 4.1.2)	Request page is displayed
2. Select one of the previously compiled and saved orders: In the order name input line Request name: North Atlantic - All parameters press button to display the list of previously made orders	See also paragraph 5.1.1 Request name: North Atlantic Weather param Canada North Atlantic Pressure Area Longitude The name of the order is displayed in
Select the required order by positioning the cursor on the line with its name and pressing the left mouse button	"Request name" line, whilst the cursor moves to "Area" panel: Request name: Canada Weather parameters Synchronize changes Year: 2000 Jan Fet Area Longitude From: 100000000 W To: 101000.000 E Resolution: 2".50000
Check the subscription time for the daily receipt of weather forecasts Attention! Check "From" date. It should not be earlier than the current date	See items 4.1.3 "Request Page" [5] and 5.1.1 [7]
4. Send the order:	
Press button	The page displays "Confirm your request" window where it is necessary confirm the correctness of the order and of the mail settings: Value



<OK>

Depending on the communication type set in "Settings" window, "Request" page displays:

"Local mailbox"



(in the *Information Panel*)

At this stage, the order is placed in the Outbox of the local mailbox. It is then necessary to send it by using the set installed mail program (see step 7).

· "Remote access"



(connection time display panel).

In this case, the order is sent automatically by the Weather Forecast Manager utility (go on to step 8)

Delivery page is automatically switched to:



Keep careful watch on all the notices and warnings provided by the WFM while the connection is being established

Attention! If the current "Weather Wizard" configuration is adjusted to the network operation, and access to the Internet is provided via the server ("Local mailbox" communication type), with "Auto" reception of weather forecasts set on "Check Mail Mode" panel on Delivery page, reception and processing of the ordered data will start immediately after receipt of weather forecast files in the mailbox of the given E-mail addressee. The time interval between the dispatch of the order and reception of the weather forecast may vary depending on the network operation, from 5 to 30 minutes.

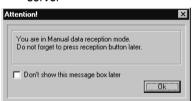
For the further procedure to process the weather forecast, see paragraph 5.1.3

Examples of some notices are provided below:

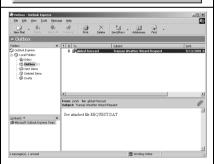
 information on the time it took to connect to the provide and pass the information



 a reminder that "Manual" mode is set (see item. 4.1.3 "Delivery Page" [1]) and that, therefore, the forecast is required to be downloaded from the provider's server



 Send the order stored in the local mailbox by using the default mail program (where Local mailbox communication type is set (see paragraph 4.1.4).)



If MS Outlook is used as a default mail program and Remote access type is set the order is sent automatically by the Weather Forecast Manager utility



6. Upon expiry of the recommended time interval (30 minutes) start the procedure of weather forecast reception and processing

Attention! The exit from WFM utility before the end of the weather forecast reception procedure is not recommended unless urgently required

See paragraph 5.1.3

5.1.3 Weather Forecast Reception and Processing

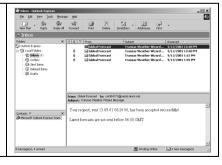
This section consists of 3 parts:

- "Reception of Weather Forecasts from a Local Mailbox".
 which is a description of the general case of weather forecast reception;
- 2) "Reception of Weather Forecasts With the Use of Remote Access Connection Type"
- 3) "Reception of Weather Forecasts in Case of the WFM Re-start". which describes the reception of forecasts if the WFM utility was exited from after the despatch of the order.

Before the start of the ordered weather forecast reception procedure, it is necessary to determine which of the subsections is applicable to your case and use this subsection only as a guideline.

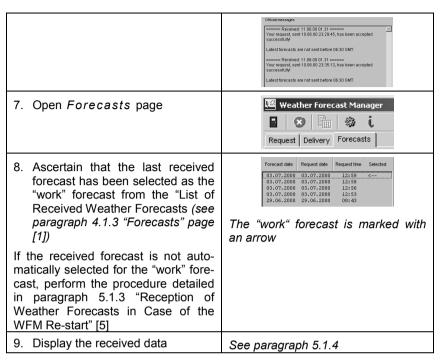
Attention! It is NOT ALLOWED to change the e-mail setting from one mail system to another, or to switch mail systems from one profile or account to another, with the Weather Forecast Manager utility running.

Reception of Forecasts from the Local mailbox Receive the mail containing weather forecast in the local mailbox by using the default mail program



2. Start the WFM utility (see paragraph 4.1.2)	Request page is displayed
3. Open <i>Delivery</i> page	Weather Forecast Manager □ ☑ ② □ □ □ □ □ Request Delivery Forecasts
4. Set "Check mail mode" to "Manual" position	Check Mail Mode C Auto C Every 1 hour Manual
5. Activate weather forecast reception mode by pressing main menu button Attention! This operation is required to be performed on Delivery page only	The WFM information line displays indication of the process of search for files containing weather forecast, in the local mailbox:
After the "pumping" of files containing forecasts from the mailbox, the process of their automatic processing sets in	The data processing is associated with: • relevant indication on "Forecast state" panel (see paragraph 4.1.3 "Delivery Page" [3]) **Delivery Page" [3]) **Objection Period Perio

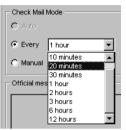




Reception of Weather Forecasts in case of Use of Remote Access Connection Type

The forecast reception procedure depends on the mode set on "Check Mail Mode" panel:	See paragraph 4.1.3 "Delivery" page [1]
• Auto	Check Mail Mode Lauto Every 10 minutes Manual
In this mode, no additional steps are required for the reception of the forecast (see Warning in paragraph 5.1.2 [4]) Go on to the next [2] item	The reception and processing of the weather forecast are performed automatically immediately after its delivery from Transas Marine weather server in the mailbox of the given e-mail addressee
• Every	Check Mail Mode C Auto Every 20 minutes C Manual

Set the required time Interval after which connection with the provider will be established with (search of weather forecast files in the mailbox):



After the selection of "Every" mode, a time is turned on, which counts off time to the first/next connection with the Internet provider:



The weather forecast reception procedure which follows, is similar to that in "Auto" mode

Attention! In the Remote Access mode, communication sessions will take place over regular time intervals set by the user. Do not forget to switch to Manual mode after the reception of weather forecasts!

The reception and processing of the weather forecast are performed automatically immediately after the next "check" of the given e-mail addressee's mailbox (local or on the Internet provider's server) made upon the expiry of the time interval set on the timer, shows that the forecast is available

Go on to the next [2] item

Manual

Upon the expiry of the recommended time (30 minutes after the order dispatch) turn on the weather forecast

reception mode by pressing main menu button.

Attention! Thus operation is required to be performed on Delivery page only



"Delivery" page displays:

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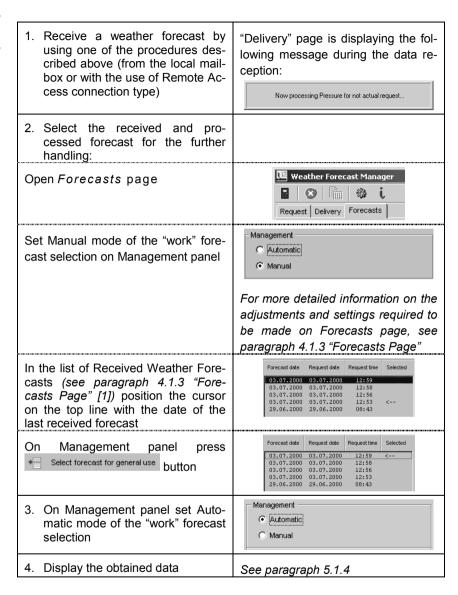


(indication panel of the time of connection with the provider)



2. After the "pumping" of files contai-The data processing is associated ning forecasts from the mailbox with: on the Internet provider server, relevant indication on "Forecast the process of their automatic prostate" panel (see paragraph 4.1.3 cessing sets in "Delivery Page" [3]) Forecast State Pressure Wind Significant height Wind sea Direction Period - Height Swell Direction Period Height Total: 38% display of records in the data processing log on "Official messages" panel ===== Received: 02.06.00 14.12 ====== Your request, sent 02.06.00 14:11:36, has been accepted successfully! ====== Received: 02.06.00 14.18 ====== Your request, sent 02.06.00 14:16:48, has been accepted successfully! Latest forecasts are not sent before 06:30 GMT 3. Open Forecasts page Weather Forecast Manager Request Delivery Forecasts Management 4. Ascertain that the Automatic Automatic mode of the "work" forecast C Manual selection is set on Management panel For more detailed information on the adjustments and settings required to be made on Forecasts page, see paragraph 4.1.3 "Forecasts Page" 5. Display the obtained data See paragraph 5.1.4

Reception of Weather Forecasts in Case of the WFM Re-start





5.1.4 Viewing (Animation) of Weather Forecasts

Perform the procedure of sending an order and receiving a weather forecast as described above	See paragraphs 5.1.2 and 5.1.3
2. Start the PA utility	See paragraph 4.2.2
3. Use ZOOM and SCALE functions (or <+> and <-> hot keys) to display the geographic area which the order was made for, in the utility's Chart Area	See paragraph 5.1.1 By default, display of only two parameters is turned on: Wind and Pressure

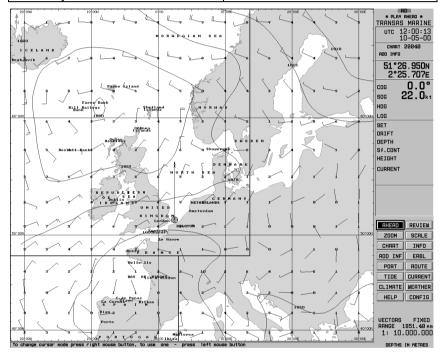
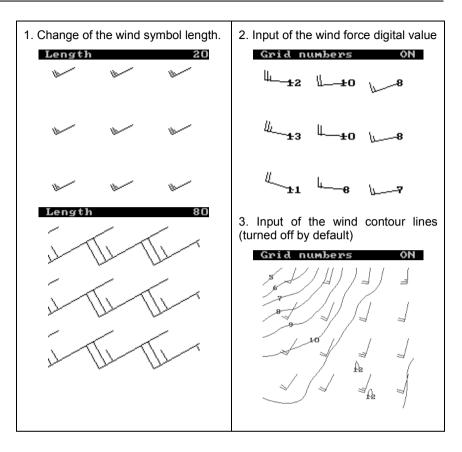


Fig. 5-1

Use ON/OFF switch of the appropriate WEATHER menu function to turn ON/OFF the display of a certain weather parameter	Animation Auto mode ON By hour 1 Options Wind ON Pressure ON Signif. height OFF Wind sea dir OFF Wind sea period OFF Wind sea height OFF Swell dir OFF
View the change dynamics of weather parameters during the ordered time interval (Time steps) at a set discreteness:	Discreteness is a value of time interval (in hours) over which the modelled time will be changing along with the weather picture on the PA screen
Set the discreteness of changes in the weather parameters WEATHER\By hour (from 1 to 99 h)	Animation Auto mode ON By hour 1 Options Wind OFF Pressure ON Signif. height OFF Wind sea dir OFF Wind sea period OFF Wind sea height OFF Swell dir OFF
Set the viewing mode WEATHER\Auto mode (automatic= ON, manual=OFF)	The viewing is provided automatically over the time ordered time interval (Time steps) with a discreteness set in WEATHER\By hour function; Huto mode OFF In this mode, it is necessary to set the viewing start date and time, and, in the process of viewing, to manually change the time value (with a set discreteness by pressing "updown" cursor control keys

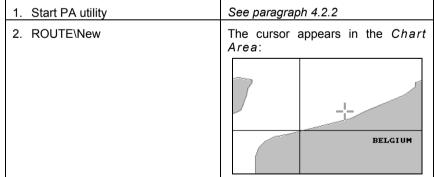


Turn on the weather forecast viewing mode WEATHER\Animation	In the automatic mode, there is a dynamic display of weather parameters using special symbols in the PA Chart Area; In the manual mode: Rnimation
Enter the viewing start date and time (for the manual mode only)	
<enter> (or the left mouse button)</enter>	
Use "Up" and "Down" cursor control keys (or a vertical motion of the trackerball/mouse) to view the forecast	see also fig. 5.1.1
Adjust a convenient display of symbols used for weather parameters on the PA:	
WEATHER\Options	Wind Pressure Signif. height Wind sea dir Wind sea period Wind sea height Swell dir Swell period Swell height
Select a submenu for the required weather parameter and adjust the symbols	See paragraph 4.2.4 which illustrates some adjustment examples



5.1.5 Route Generation and Editing by Using Graphics

Route Generation and Editing in the PA





3. Set the first WP:	
Move the cursor to the required point Use <+> and <-> keys to set the scale convenient for the plotting of the route's start point	The cursor can also be moved by entering coordinates of the route's first point manually. To do this, press <tab> key to switch the activity to the input window, and enter the required coordinates</tab>
Press the left mouse/trackerball button	The symbol of the first WP is set in the selected point:
Move the cursor and use a similar procedure to set the second WP	The first route leg is plotted: H E P T E H R A N E A N 30 0000 TOURS WEST NOT NOT NOT
Use similar procedures to set all the other WP's	The passage route is plotted in the blue colour (planned route colour)

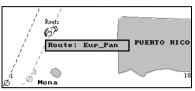
Exit from the route planning mode:	
<esc></esc>	The cursor is "detached" from the chart: Soft
<esc></esc>	The planning mode is exited from and Route sub-menu is returned to
7. Save the generated route: ROUTE\Save	The Menu area displays the name input window: Route monitoring Select next WP AUTO Enter next WP Load route Unload route Arrival circle 0.00nm Route planning New Open Save Clos Sele Edit Enter Name: noname01 UECTORS FIXED RANGE 1092.88 nm 1: 6000,000
Enter the route name (8 characters without punctuation marks)	
<enter></enter>	



Use a similar procedure to generate an alternative route:	The fundamental difference from NS2400 videoplotter which the "Play Ahead" utility is based on, is the simultaneous display of two and more routes
ROUTE\New	A cursor appears in the <i>Chart area</i> ; the presentation of the previously generated route remains on the display but changes its colour (becomes brown):
Use the algorithm described above to plot all the rest of the alternative route's WP's	C U B A Creat Inagua Ringston Post-au Prince
Edit the generated route (as required):	
Determine the route for editing ROUTE\Select	The Menu area displays a list of all the currently loaded routes: Pan_Eur1 Pan_Eur2
Select the route required to be edited and press the left trackerball/mouse button	The selected route is shown on the screen in the blue colour, the rest of the route (inactive") are brown:

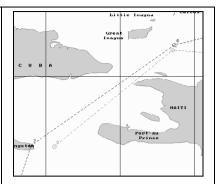
This operation can also be performed by using a "free cursor". To do this, use the following procedure:

- Press successively the right mouse button to turn on "View" mode:
- Position the cursor on the required route and press the left mouse/trackerball button:



 Double click the left mouse button to activate the route:





ROUTE\Edit

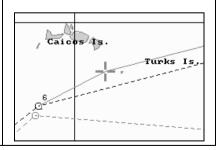
Acquisition marker appears:

The further editing procedure will depend on the particular route editing action

• To add a WP

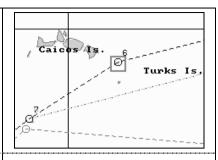
Position the cursor on the route leg where a WP is required to be added and

"attach" the cursor to the route by pressing the left mouse/trackerball button





Move the cursor to the point where a WP is required to be set, and press the left mouse/trackerball button

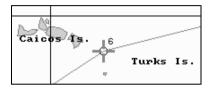


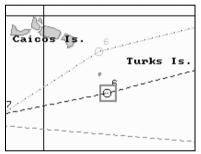
To move a WP to a new position

Position the cursor on the WP which is required to be moved and

"attach" the cursor to the route by pressing the left mouse/trackerball button

Position the cursor to a new position and press the left mouse/trackerball button (<Enter>)





· To delete a WP

Apply the cursor "attachment" procedure described above to the WP which is required to be deleted

Press the right mouse/trackerball button (<Esc>)

 To continue the plotting of the route (from the first or the last WP)

Apply the cursor "attachment" procedure described above to the first (last) WP

Continue the route plotting

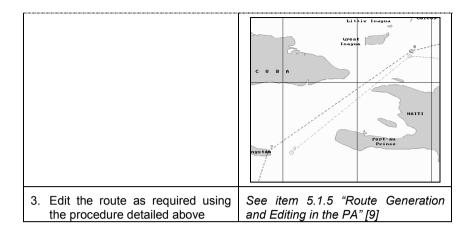


To change the type of a route leg line (to switch from Rhumb Line to Great Circle) Position the cursor on the route leg whose form is required to be changed Press <insert> key</insert>	
10. Save the edited route (see item [7] of this paragraph)	
11. Unload the currently unused routes from the PA by using ROUTE\Close function	

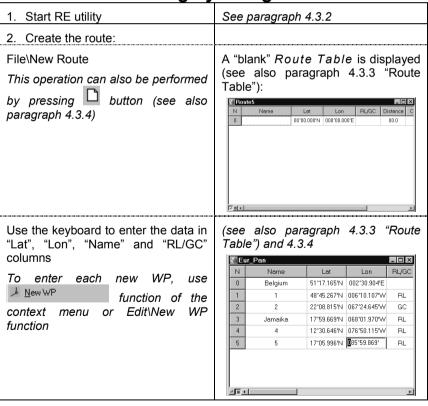
Display of Routes Generated in the RE

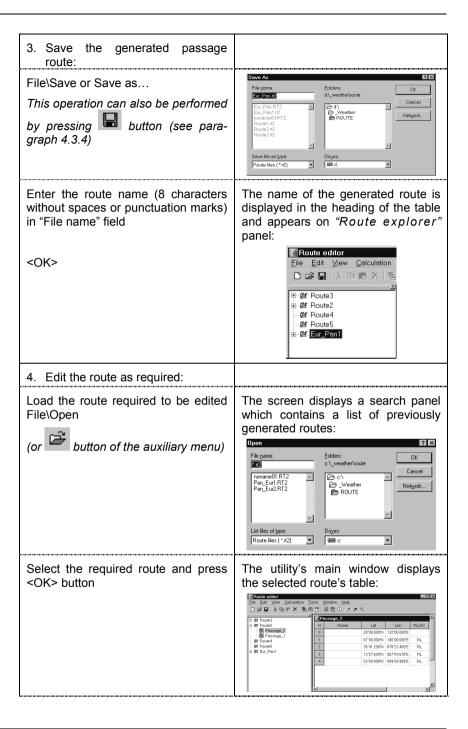
1. Start PA utility	See paragraph 4.2.2
2. ROUTE\Open	The Menu area displays a list of all the currently loaded routes: Pan_Eur1 Pan_Eur2
Select the route required to be edited and press the left mouse/trackerball button	The selected route is displayed on the screen in the blue colour, whilst all the rest ("inactive" routes) are shown in the brown colour:





5.1.6 Route Generation and Editing by Using a Table

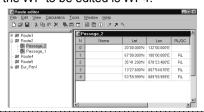






Position the cursor on the row of the WP whose data is required to be edited

In the example under consideration, the WP to be edited is WP4:



The further editing procedure will depend on thee particular route editing action

Each of these actions can be performed in any of the three ways detailed below:

- By using Main menu functions (see paragraph 4.3.4);
- By using the auxiliary menu buttons (see paragraph 4.3.4);
- By using the context (right mouse button) menu functions (see paragraph 4.3.3 "Route Table")
- To continue the plotting of the route from the last WP

Edit\New WP

(via the Main or Context Menu)

 To duplicate a WP (copy WP data to another row)

Edit\New WP

(via the Main menu, Context menu or by using button)







A new row is added to the *Route Table* (WP6 in this example):



In the example, data on WP4 is copied to the row of WP6:



To delete a WP Edit\Delete WP (via the Main menu, Context menu or	3 Jamaika 17:59.669'N 068'01.970'W PL 251.6 4 4 12'30.646'N 076'50.115'W PL 606.5 5 5 17'05.996'N 085'59.869'W PL 598.6 NewWP Cut WP BCODW WP Z BSIS WP Delete WP 3 Jamaika 17:59.669'N 068'01.970'W PL 251.6 4 4 12'30.646'N 076'50.115'W PL 606.5 5 5 17'05.996'N 085'59.869'W PL 598.6 6 4 12'30.648'N 076'50.115'W PL 606.5 7 00'00.000'N 000'00.000'E PL 4643.4 In the example under consideration, WP6 is deleted: 3 Jamaika 17:59.669'N 068'01.970'W PL 251.6 4 4 12'30.648'N 076'50.115'W PL 643.4
by using 🔀 button)	6 NewWP 968N 07650.115W PL 5986 7 % CutWP 900N 00070.000E PL 4643.4 79 % CeptWP 8 Seste WP 2000 PR 968 PR 968 PP 1000 PR 968 PR 968 PP 1000 P
5. Save the edited route File\Save (or button)	See also item [3] of this paragraph
riie/Save (or <u>button)</u>	
6. Unload the currently unused routes from the RE as required by using File\Close function	

5.1.7 Generation of Route Passage Schedule

"Route Editor" utility provides a facility for calculating the passage schedule based on the generated route. There are three types of schedules:

- With the set ETD (Estimated Time of Departure) and speed at each route segment (from WP to WP);
- With the set ETD and ETA (Estimated Time of Arrival) in the last selected WP:
- Combined schedule (with set speeds and ETA's in the intermediate WP's).

In addition, route calculations can take into account the effect of three environmental factors:

- Tidal currents (from the database);
- Surface currents (from the database);



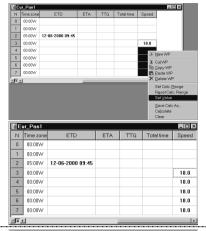
 Weather parameters (wind and wind induced waves) from the forecast received via WFM utility.

4. Chart DE willia.	San navarranh 12.0
1. Start RE utility	See paragraph 4.3.2
Create or open a Route Table which you intend the passage schedule to be based on	See paragraphs 5.1.5 and 5.1.6
3. Turn on the display of additional Route Table columns designed for the storage of data on the schedule of passage along the given route: View\As Calculation This operation can also be performed by using buttons in the left bottom corner of the Route Table	Columns ETD, ETA, TTG, Total time and Speed appears in the table: Columns Column Colum
Position the cursor in ETD column in the row of the WP which will be used as the route's first WP in the schedule which is being generated (not necessarily WP0) Double click the left mouse button to activate the cell for the ETD input Change the default value to the required date and time of the planned departure from the given WP (via the	By default, the current date is displayed in the cell: Comparison
keyboard) <enter></enter>	
5. Use a similar procedure to enter the time zone value for the given WP position area	N Total distance Time zone ETD ETA
Depending on the type of the schedule (see Introduction to this paragraph) enter:	
Speed identical on all the route segments In this case, ETA calculations will be carried out for all the WP's involved.	For the input of "Speed" parameter identical for all the WP's, it is worthwhile to use a handy facility provided by the context menu (see also

in the generation of the voyage schedule

Attention! Ascertain that after this step, cells in the column named "N" (WP numbers) are highlighted in the light blue colour in the interval between ETD and ETA. This means that calculations will only be made for the route segment including these WP

paragraph 4.3.3 "Route table"):



 ETA in the last WP of the selected passage route

In this case, calculations of speed on the route (the same for all the WP's) will be made

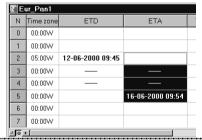
Use "Set Calc. Range" context menu function to select a route segment in the Route Table for the calculation of a schedule (see paragraph 4.3.3 "Route Table"):



 Combination of an arbitrary number of ETA's (both in the last WP of the selected segment, and in the intermediate WP's) and of various speed values on different route legs



WP's which will be involved in the generation of a schedule will be highlighted with light blue colour in "N" column (WP number):



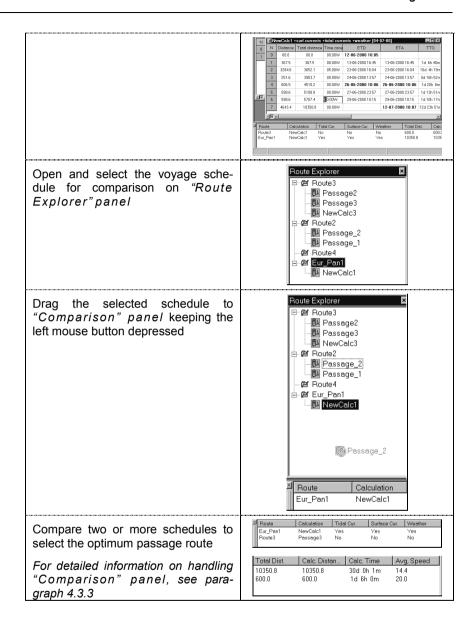




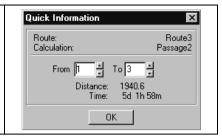
This is performed by using a procedure similar to that detailed above for the data input 7. Turn on the option for taking into account the effect of environmental factors on the ship's speed on the route: Route editor Calculation\Options\Surface currents n ⊯ 🔒 🐰 🥫 Clear Calculation\Options\Tidal currents E-Gr Boute3 Options Surface Currents ☑ Route2 Calculation\Options\Weather @ Boute4 er Eur Bani This operation can also be performed 00:00/4/ 05:00W 773 bv pressina auxiliarv 00:00W buttons respectively Calculation Tools 8. Ascertain that Calculation\Auto Compare option is on (see also Calculate paragraph 4.3.4) Clear Options Auto Compare 9. Make the voyage schedule calculations: Calculation\Calculate The screen displays a window for the input of the name of the voyage This operation can also be performed schedule intended to be generated: by selecting the relevant context Save calculation as... menu function in the Route Table (see also paragraph 4.3.3 "Route Enter new calculation's name: Table") NewCalc1 OK Cancel Process indicator of voyage schedule Enter the name calculations is displayed: <OK> Calculating... Calculating: NewCalc2 Route: Eur Pan1 Tidal: ON Surface: ON Weather: ON Cancel

When the calculations are completed, the results are shown: in the Schedule Table Time zone ETD ETA TTG Total time Speed 00:00W **12-06-2000 10:05** 00:00W 13-06-2000 16:45 13-06-2000 16:45 1d 6h 40m 1d 6h 40m 05:00W 23-06-2000 16:04 23-06-2000 16:04 10d 4h 19m 11d 10h 59m 13.5 00:00W 24-06-2000 13:57 15.0 00:00W 26-06-2000 10:06 26-06-2000 10:06 1d 20h 8m 14d 0h 0m 00.00W 27-06-2000 23:57 27-06-2000 23:57 1d 13h 51m 15d 13h 52m 15.3 00.00W 29-06-2000 10:15 29-06-2000 10:15 1d 10h 17m 17d 0h 10m 18.0 12-07-2000 10:07 12d 23h 51m 30d 0h 1m 15.3 00:00W Bold type is used for showing entered values, whilst the grey colour is used for the calculated values: • on "Comparison" panel | December 367.5 367.5 251.6 3903.7 4510.2 Surface Cur. Weather Total Dist Cali Save calculation as. 10. Save the generated schedule: Enter new calculation's name File\Save Calc. As... NewCalc1 (or "Rename" context menu on "Route explorer" panel) OK Cancel The new name is displayed in the Enter/edit the name Voyage schedule table and on <0K> "Route explorer" panel 11. Compare several schedules as See also paragraph 4.3.3 "Comparirequired on Comparison panel: son panel" Tools\Compare (if "Comparison" The bottom part of the utility's main panel was not turned on before) window displays Comparison panel: This operation can also be performed by pressing auxiliary menu button





12. Where brief information is required to be obtained on previously generated voyage schedules, use Tools\Quick Information function



5.1.8 "Playing Ahead" of the Ship's Passage Schedule

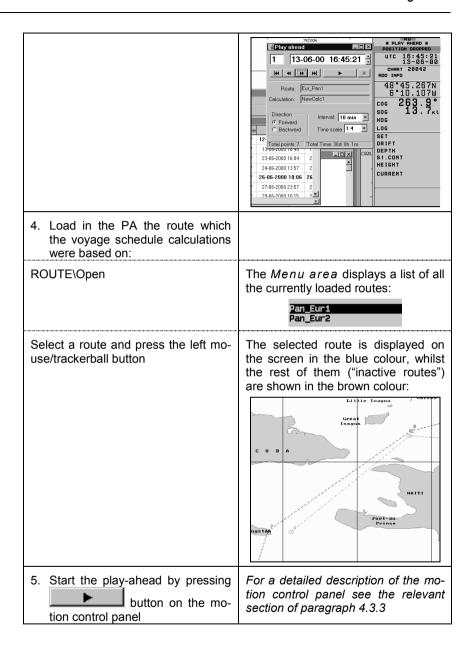
"Route Editor" and "Play Ahead" utilities allow viewing the modelled ship motion along the route in accordance with the calculated schedule, with a simultaneous visualisation of change dynamics in some environmental factors:

- Tidal currents (from the database);
- Surface currents (from the database);
- Weather parameters (wind and wind induced waves) from a forecast received via WFM utility.

This paragraph describes the start procedure and control of the ship's motion in this operating mode.

Start the RE utility	See paragraph 4.3.2
Create or open a table of the vo- yage schedule generated in para- graph 5.1.7	Time zone
Turn on the mode for playing ahead the ship's motion along the route:	PA utility is run automatically, its control panel displayed on the screen:
Tools\Play Ahead	
(or auxiliary menu button)	





5.2 Description of Additional Capabilities of the "Weather Wizard" Software

5.2.1 Selection of Weather Forecasts for Further Work and Their Deleting from the Database

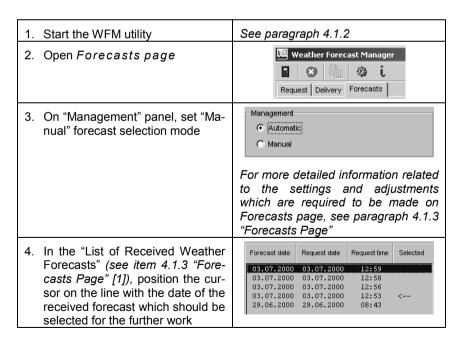
This paragraph describes two ways to select the "working" weather forecast which will further handled via "Play Ahead" (for visualisation) and "Route Editor" (for the route passage calculations to take into account weather factors) utilities:

- Manual selection of a weather forecast;
- Forecast selection by the "sufficiency" criterion (which is only used in the automatic mode of selecting received weather forecasts).

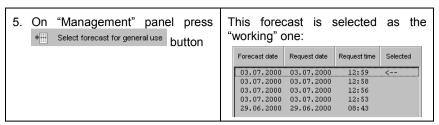
It also details procedures to adjust their number in the database:

- Manual deleting of a weather forecast;
- Storage of forecasts in the database.

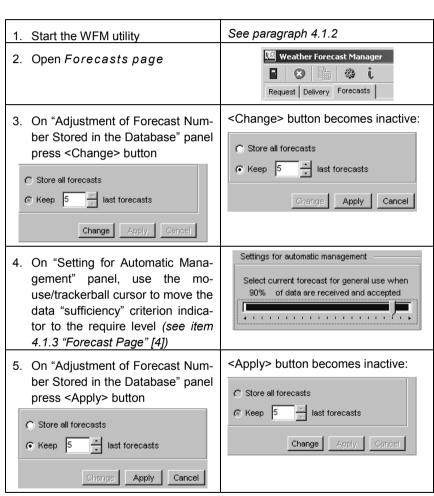
Manual Selection of a Working Weather Forecast



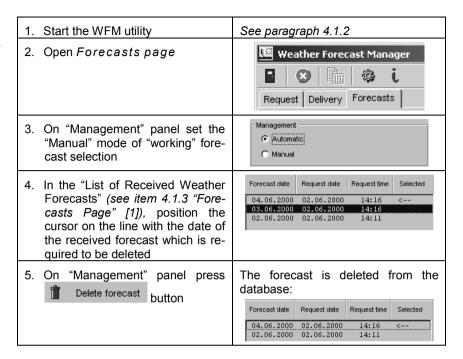




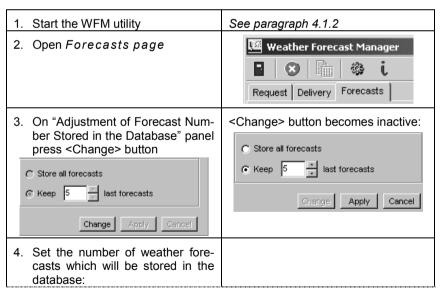
Forecast Selection by the "Sufficiency" Criterion



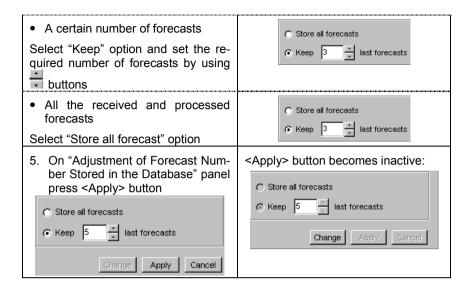
Manual Deleting of a Weather Forecast



Storage of Forecasts in the Database







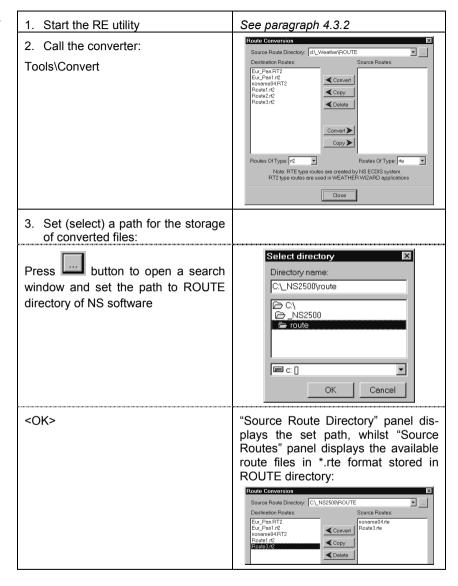
5.2.2 Converting of Routes from "Weather Wizard" Format to the Format Compatible with Navi-Sailor Series Software and Deleting of Routes

The "Weather Wizard" software uses *.rt2 route format, whilst Navi-Sailor series software (2400 and 2500) operates exclusively with *.rte format. To convert route files from one format to the other, and the other way round, the RE utility has a dedicated converter. This same converter incorporates a facility for the deleting of routes and their copying onto the external memory (and the other way round).

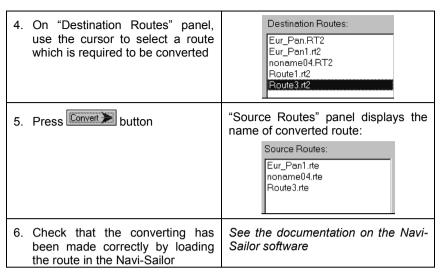
Described below are two procedures which can be implemented by using the aforementioned converter only:

- Converting of routes from.rt2 format to *.rte;
- Deleting and copying of routes.

Converting of Routes from *.rt2 format to *.rte

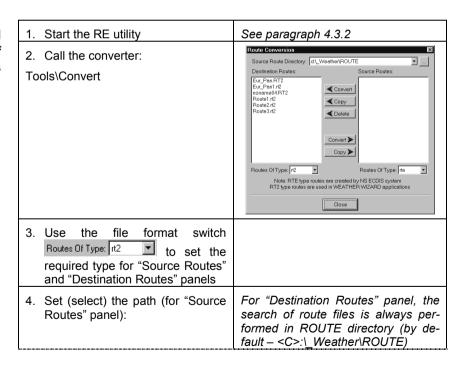






A similar procedure is used for converting files in *.rte format to *.rt2.

Deleting and Copying of Routes

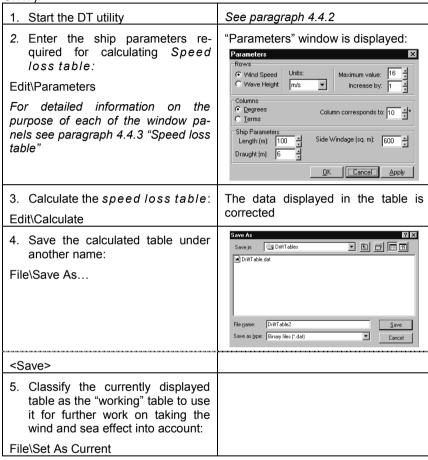


Select directory button to open a search Directory name: window and set the path to "Navi-C:_NS2500\route Sailor" or "Weather Wizard" software directory → NS2500 route **□** αΠ Cancel <OK> "Source Route Directory" displays the set path, whilst "Source Routes" panel displays the available format set files in the Routes Of Type: rt2 switch: Source Route Directory: C_NS2500\ROUTE **-∢** Convert **∢** Сору **∢** Delete 5. Copy/delete files by using the following buttons: Delete 🧲 Сору - copying of file(s) from "Source Routes" to ROUTE directory ROUTE directory of WW software; Сору 🤾 copying of file(s) from ROUTE directory to "Source Routes" panel



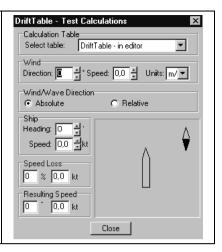
5.2.3 Ship Speed Loss Calculations

This procedure is required for correcting the results of speed loss calculations by the value of wind and sea effect, which is done in RE utility during the generation of route passage schedule (see paragraph 5.1.7).



Check if required the correctness of speed loss calculations by using Test function

For detailed information on the purpose of each of the window panels see paragraph 4.4.3 "Test Calculations Window"

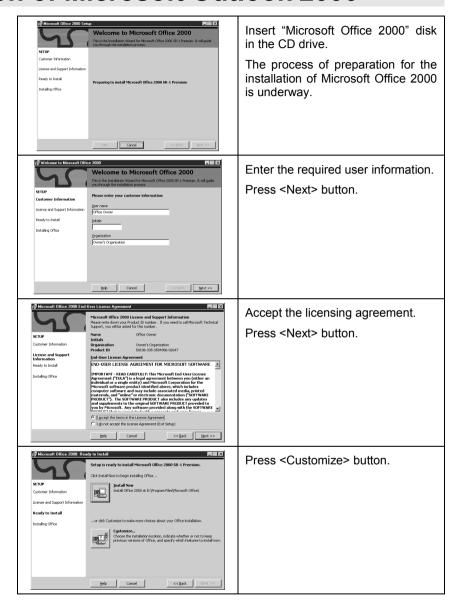


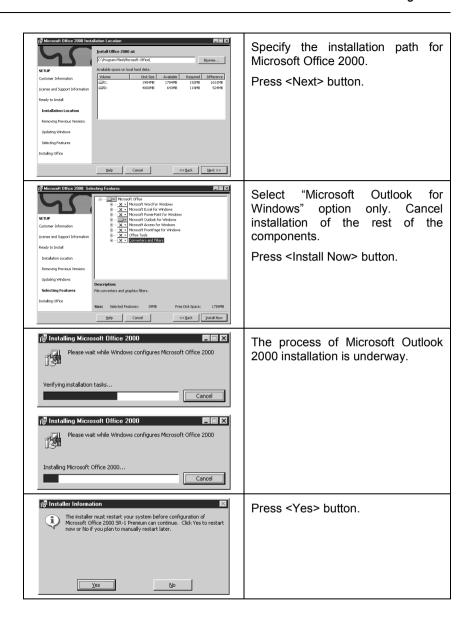


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Installation of Microsoft Outlook 2000





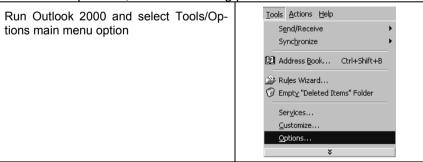
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Microsoft Outlook 98/2000 Configuration for the Correct Operation with the Weather Wizard Program

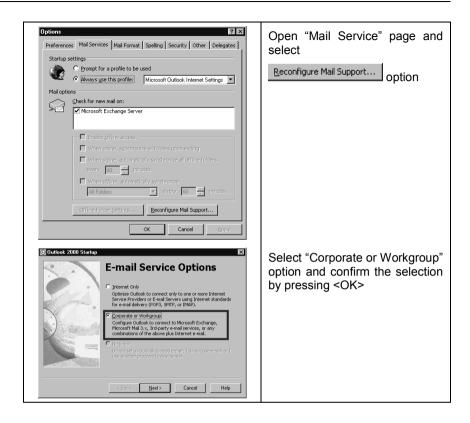
During the installation, Outlook 98 (2000) mail program is required to be configured for operation in "Corporate or Workgroup" mode:



- If Outlook 98 software was initially configured for operation in "Internet Only" or "No E-mail" mode, the program should be re-installed.
- If Outlook 2000 program was initially configured for "Internet Only" or "No E-mail" operation, use the following procedure:







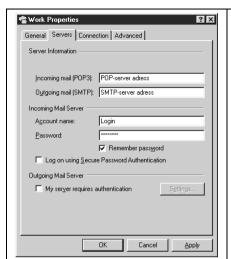
Adjustment of Microsoft Outlook 98/2000 Program for Handling the Mail

Mail Adjustment during the Operation via a Remote Access (Modem)

Perform the modem installation and connect it to the telephone net	See the relevant manual for this device
Adjust the remote connection in accordance with the directions of the Internet provider	<ok></ok>
Start Microsoft Outlook 98/2000	<ok></ok>

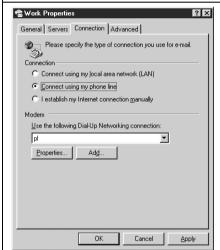
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Adjust Microsoft Outlook 98/2000 in See above "Corporate or Workgroup" mode Select "Internet E-mail" option Select the information service(s) that you want to use with Microsoft Outlook. Press <Next> button. Microsoft Exchange Server
| Internet E-mail Α Manually configure information services < Back Next > Cancel Press <Setup Mail Account> button. To setup an Internet E-mail account, click on the button Setup Mail Account < Back Next > Cancel 😭 Work Properties Fill in the required fields on General Servers Connection Advanced "General" page. Mail Account Switch to "Servers" page. Type the name by which you would like to refer to these servers. For example: "Work" or "Microsoft Mail Server". Work User Information Office owner Organization: Owner's organization E-mail address: User's E-mail address Reply address: Cancel



Fill in the required fields.

Switch to "Connection" page.



Select "Connect using my phone line" option.

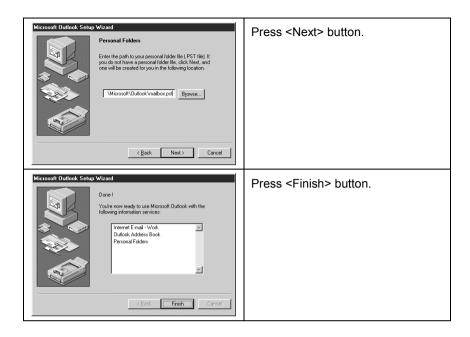
Select the previously adjusted remote connection.

Press <Apply> and <OK> buttons

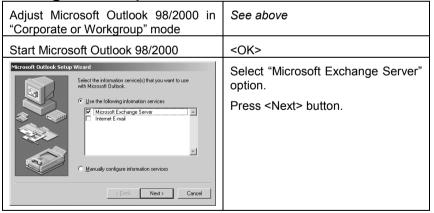


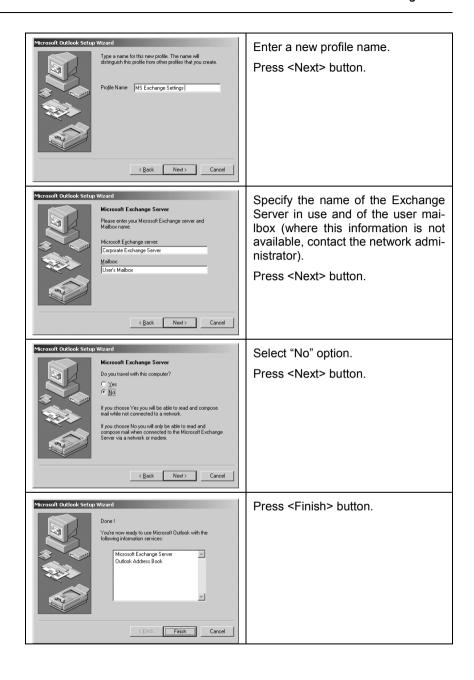
Press <Next> button.

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Mail Adjustment during the Operation via the Corporate Network (MS Exchange Server)

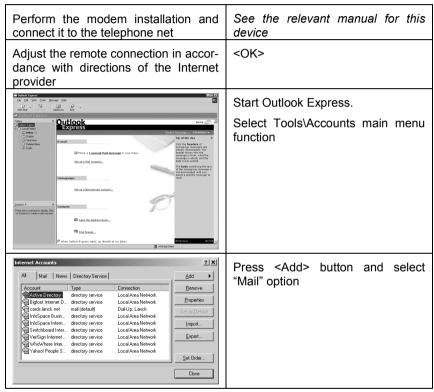




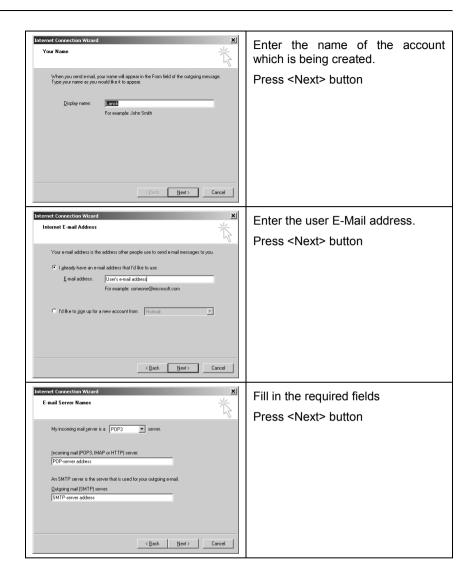
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Microsoft Outlook Express Adjustment for Handling the Mail

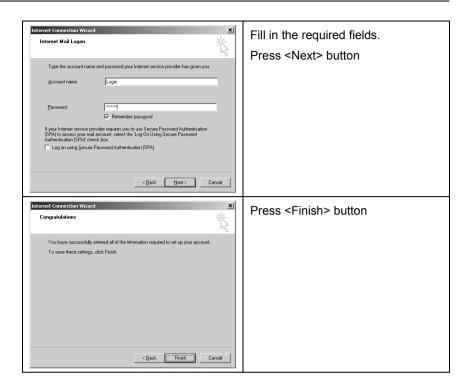
Mail Adjustment during the Operation via the Remote Access (Modem)







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Compatibility of Weather Wizard Program with Different Versions of Microsoft Internet Explorer during the Operation under Different Operating Systems

OS Windows 98

		WW compatibility with E-mail software		
Installed E-mail software		Outlook Express 4.0	MS Outlook 98 / 2000	WW installation warning
	Outlook Express 4.0 only	No		Yes
	Outlook Express 4.0 + MS Outlook 98	No	Yes	No
	Outlook Express 4.0+ MS Outlook 2000	No	Yes	No
4.0	MS Outlook 2000 only		Yes	No
田	MS Outlook 98 only		Yes	No
	Installed E-mail software	Outlook Express 5.0	MS Outlook 98 / 2000	WW installation warning
	Outlook Express 5.0 only	No		Yes
	Outlook Express 5.0 + MS Outlook 98	No	Yes	No
	Outlook Express 5.0+ Outlook 2000	Yes	Yes	No
5.0	MS Outlook 2000 only		Yes	No
田	MS Outlook 98 only		Yes	No
	Installed E-mail software	Outlook Express 5.5	MS Outlook 98 / 2000	WW installation warning
	Outlook Express 5.5 only	Yes		No
=	Outlook Express 5.5 + MS Outlook 98	Yes	Yes	No
5.0 SR	Outlook Express 5.5+ MS Outlook 2000	Yes	Yes	No
	MS Outlook 2000 only		Yes	No
田	MS Outlook 98 only		Yes	No
	Installed E-mail software	Outlook Express 5.5	MS Outlook 98 / 2000	WW installation warning
	Outlook Express 5.5 only	Yes		No
	Outlook Express 5.5 + MS Outlook 98	Yes	Yes	No
10	Outlook Express 5.5+ MS Outlook 2000	Yes	Yes	No
5.5	MS Outlook 2000 only		Yes	No
田	MS Outlook 98 only		Yes	No
	Installed E-mail software	Outlook Express 6.	MS Outlook 98 / 2000	WW installation warning
	Outlook Express 6.0 only	Yes		No
	Outlook Express 6.0 + MS Outlook 98	Yes	Yes	No
_	Outlook Express 6.0+ MS Outlook 2000	Yes	Yes	No
0.9	MS Outlook 2000 only		Yes	No
田	MS Outlook 98 only		Yes	No



OS Windows NT 4.0 + SP 5

			npatibility nil software	
Installed E-mail software		Outlook Express 4.0	MS Outlook 98 / 2000	WW installation warning
	Outlook Express 4.0 only	No	70.200	Yes
4.0	Outlook Express 4.0 + MS Outlook 98	No	Yes	No
	Outlook Express 4.0+ MS Outlook 2000	No	Yes	No
	MS Outlook 2000 only		Yes	No
田	MS Outlook 98 only		Yes	No
	Installed E-mail software	Outlook Express 5.0	MS Outlook 98 / 2000	WW installation warning
	Outlook Express 5.0 only	No		Yes
	Outlook Express 5.0 + MS Outlook 98	No	Yes	No
0	Outlook Express 5.0+ Outlook 2000	No	Yes	No
5.0	MS Outlook 2000 only		Yes	No
田	MS Outlook 98 only		Yes	No
	Installed E-mail software Outlook Express 5.5 98 / 2000		WW installation warning	
	Outlook Express 5.5 only			
R 1	Outlook Express 5.5 + MS Outlook 98	It is not possible to install IE 5.0 SR 1 until SI 6a or later version for Win NT 4.0 is installed		
5.0 SR 1	Outlook Express 5.5+ MS Outlook 2000			
	MS Outlook 2000 only			
E	MS Outlook 98 only			
	Installed E-mail software	Outlook MS Outlook WW installat Express 5.5 98/2000 warning		
	Outlook Express 5.5 only	Yes		No
	Outlook Express 5.5 + MS Outlook 98	Yes	Yes	No
vs.	Outlook Express 5.5+ MS Outlook 2000	Yes	Yes	No
κ.	MS Outlook 2000 only		Yes	No
田	MS Outlook 98 only		Yes	No
	Installed E-mail software		MS Outlook 98 / 2000	WW installation warning
	Outlook Express 6.0 only			
	Outlook Express 6.0 + MS Outlook 98	The state of the s		ECO CIERC
0	Outlook Express 6.0+ MS Outlook 2000	It is not possible to install IE 6.0 until SP 6a o later version for Win NT 4.0 is installed.		
0.9	MS Outlook 2000 only			
田	MS Outlook 98 only			

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			patibility il software	
Installed E-mail software		Outlook Express 5.0	MS Outlook 98 / 2000	WW installation warning
	Outlook Express 5.0 only	Yes		Yes
	Outlook Express 5.0 + MS Outlook 98	Yes	Yes	No
0	Outlook Express 5.0+ Outlook 2000	Yes	Yes	No
40	MS Outlook 2000 only		Yes	No
E	MS Outlook 98 only		Yes	No
	Installed E-mail software Outlook Express 5.5 98 / 2000		MS Outlook 98 / 2000	WW installation warning
	Outlook Express 5.5 only	Yes		No
R 1	Outlook Express 5.5 + MS Outlook 98	Yes	Yes	No
5.0 SR	Outlook Express 5.5+ MS Outlook 2000	Yes	Yes	No
	MS Outlook 2000 only		Yes	No
田	MS Outlook 98 only		Yes	No
	Installed E-mail software	Outlook Express 5.5	MS Outlook 98 / 2000	WW installation warning
	Outlook Express 5.5 only	Yes		No
	Outlook Express 5.5 + MS Outlook 98	Yes	Yes	No
S	Outlook Express 5.5+ MS Outlook 2000	Yes	Yes	No
κ.	MS Outlook 2000 only		Yes	No
田	MS Outlook 98 only		Yes	No
	Installed E-mail software		MS Outlook 98 / 2000	WW installation warning
	Outlook Express 6.0 only	Yes		No
	Outlook Express 6.0 + MS Outlook 98	Yes	Yes	No
0	Outlook Express 6.0+ MS Outlook 2000	Yes	Yes	No
9.	MS Outlook 2000 only		Yes	No
田	MS Outlook 98 only		Yes	No



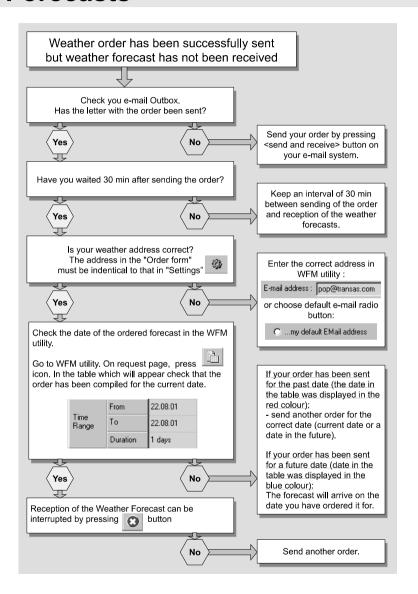
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		WW compatibility with E-mail software		
Installed E-mail software		Outlook Express 5.5	MS Outlook 98 / 2000	WW installation warning
	Outlook Express 5.5 only	Yes		No
	Outlook Express 5.5 + MS Outlook 98	Yes	Yes	No
vo.	Outlook Express 5.5+ MS Outlook 2000	Yes	Yes	No
w.	MS Outlook 2000 only		Yes	No
田	MS Outlook 98 only		Yes	No
	Installed E-mail software	Outlook Express 6.	MS Outlook 98 / 2000	WW installation warning
	Outlook Express 6.0 only	Yes		No
E 6.0	Outlook Express 6.0 + MS Outlook 98	Yes	Yes	No
	Outlook Express 6.0+ MS Outlook 2000	Yes	Yes	No
	MS Outlook 2000 only		Yes	No
	MS Outlook 98 only		Yes	No

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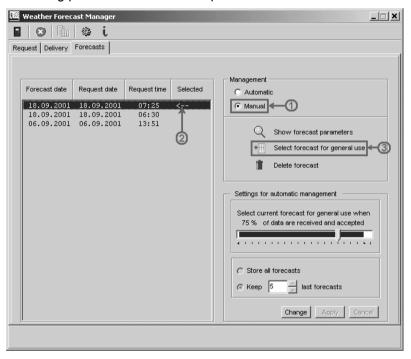
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Troubleshooting in the Despatch/Reception of Weather Forecasts



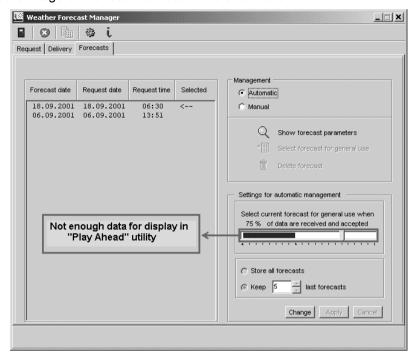
Troubleshooting in the Weather Forecast Display

- 1. The WFM utility is exited from between the order despatch and weather forecast reception.
 - Start the WFM utility, switch to "Forecasts" page and perform the following procedure after the reception of a weather forecast:



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2. Check that the WFM utility has received sufficient data for the display of a forecast in Play Ahead utility. If it is not sufficient, reduce the percentage of the received data to the suitable level.



In this case, the last received forecast will be displayed by Play Ahead utility.

3. Check the geographic area where the weather data is displayed in Play Ahead utility.