

Inland ENC Update from May 28th, 2026

- Implementation of a “recommended track” in the free-flowing sections of the Danube (Wachau river km 2037.8–1997.8 and east of Vienna River km 1920.6–1872.7)

Information on the recommended tracks in the Austrian Inland ENCs: In the Austrian inland ENCs, a "recommended track" is indicated, which represents the center line of the course of the deep channel published by viadonau in the location maps for currently relevant shallow areas in the two free-flowing sections of the Danube (Wachau and east of Vienna). "Deep channel" refers to that area of the marked fairway which, based on current riverbed measurements, shows the greatest navigable depths at regulation low water level (RNW 2020) and which has the width required for a 4-unit convoy travelling downstream. The respective width of the fairway is dependent on the river bend radii involved (between 40 and 80 meters). Accordingly, passing and overtaking within the confines of the deep channel is generally not possible. When necessary, and in accordance with Articles 6.04, 6.05 and 6.10 of the Waterway Traffic Act, vessels should wait at a suitable location until it is possible to proceed through a shallow area using the deep channel of the main fairway.

- Amendments of berths, waterway and fairway signs in the sections Linz (shore power connections at Linz-Schloss and Linz-Nibelungen) and Greifenstein
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