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Use of spuds

1. In the twentieth meeting (June 2013) of the CEVNI Expert Group it was agreed that the use of spuds should be incorporated into the CEVNI. During the discussion the expert group was of the opinion that adding an extra paragraph to article 7.03 Anchoring was the best way forward.

2. Adding a paragraph to article 7.03 makes it possible to prohibit the use of spuds in areas where also the use of anchors is forbidden. However such a proposal does not take into account the situation in which the use of spuds is allowed whereas the use of anchors is prohibited.

3. This is a situation which we see more often in the Netherlands. Therefore the Netherlands would like to propose another solution for including the use of spuds into CEVNI.

4. The proposal is to include a new definition, which aligns the use of spuds with anchoring:

Add a new paragraph 18 to article 1.01 d):

18. The term “anchoring” means stationary by means of anchors or the use of spuds.

5. Add a new paragraph 3 to article 7.03:

3. In sections where anchoring is prohibited under the provisions of paragraph 1 (a) and (b) above, vessels, assemblies of floating material and floating establishments may use spuds only in sectors marked by the sign E.6.1 (annex 7) and only on the side of the waterway on which the sign is placed.

6. Include a new sign E.6.1 in annex 7:

E.6.1 Use of spuds permitted (see article 7.03)

