Q - Radar, Radio, Electronic Positioning

Q.2 Radio

Q.2.1 Radio Calling-in Point (M)

Also called radio reporting points, they have been established in certain busy waterways and port approaches to assist traffic control. On passing these points or crossing a defined line vessels are required to report on VHF to a Traffic Control Centre. (adapted from IHO Chart Specifications, M-4)

Graphics	Encoding Instructions	Object Encoding
<image/>	 A) If it's not a one-way route use TRAFIC = 4 two-way in general. Use inbound (upstream) and outbound (downstream), if the obligation to report applies only to one direction of traffic. B) The attribute ORIENT (orientation) is used to point in the direction of impact and enables to fix the pointer of the symbol C) COMCHA (communication channel) has to be used. The attribute "communication channel" encodes the various VHF-channels used for communication. Each VHF-channel should be indicated by 2 digits and up to 2 characters (A-Z); e.g., VHF- channel 7 -> 07', VHF-channel 16 - >>16'; The indication of several VHF-channels is possible. D) 'catcom' should always be used. E) The use of line objects crossing the waterway is preferred, but it is not allowed to encode two different 'rdocal' objects on the same spatial line geometry. F) If a structured external XML-file with more detailed communication information is available, the reference to the file has to be entered in the TXTDSC attribute. G) A communication area should be encoded where relevant. H) This feature could be aggregated to a lock, bridge or communication area, etc. by a C_AGGR object. 	<pre>Object Encoding Object Class = rdocal(P,L) (M) TRAFIC = [1 (inbound), 2 (outbound), 3 (one-way), 4 (two-way)] (M) ORIENT = [unit: degree (°)] (M) COMCHA = [[XXXX];[XXXX];] (M) catcom = [1 (VTS centre), 2 (VTS sector), 3 (IVS point), 4 (MIB), 5 (lock), 6 (bridge), 7 (custom), 8 (harbour)] (O) TXTDSC = (Refer to letter F) (M) OBJNAM = (name and/or operator/owner) (O) NOBJNM = (Refer to Section B, General Guidance) (C) unlocd = [ISRS code] (M) SCAMIN = [EU: 12000; US: 22000] (C) SORDAT = [YYYYMMDD] (C) SORIND = (Refer to Section B, General Guidance)</pre>