

IALA RECOMMENDATIONS

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR USE OF RETROREFLECTING MATERIAL ON AID TO NAVIGATION MARKS WITHIN THE IALA MARITIME BUOYAGE SYSTEM

STANDARD CODE		NOTE
Green Lateral marks	One green band or green shape; i.e. a triangle in Buoyage Region A or a square in Buoyage Region B.	1 & 2
Red Lateral Marks	One red band or red shape; ie. a square in Region A or a triangle in Region B.	1
Yellow Lateral Marks	One yellow band or a yellow X, or a yellow symbol.	3
Safe Water, Isolated Danger and Cardinal Marks	White Bands, letters numerals or symbols.	4

NOTES

1. No special code for preferred channel marks is provided. The predominant colour of the buoy only being used.
2. It may be difficult for the observer to discriminate between green and blue retroreflecting material, particularly where only one of these colours is being observed on its own. Its principle green buoys should carry only one green band, whereas blue is always used in combination with another colour.
3. It may be difficult for the observer to discriminate between yellow and white retroreflecting material, particularly where only one of these colours is being observed on its own.
4. Care should be taken that the amount of white retroreflecting material used on an aid does not distract from its daytime appearance.

RECOMMENDATION ON MARITIME RADAR BEACONS (RACONS)

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**The following tables form
part of the recommendations.
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