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Cover note for ENG2-9.6.2

# Summary

This is a cover note relating to ENG2-9.6.2

# Background

ENG WG1 terms of reference includes S-100 registry support. Work on S-101 by TSMAD is relevant to this topic. It is also relevant to work on ENG2-9.3.

# Discussion

I also wondered whether this topic will surface at ENG Committee, it was not touched within the earlier liaison notes regarding S-101 that I have seen.

Namely, looking at the use of fixed-and-flashing character variations it caught my eye that in comparison to 18 classes described in E-110, S-101 has even 29 different light characteristics listed for unambiguous display on ECDIS - if interested, please have a look at tables (page 11 is best) in the attached IHO TSMAD document "Lights Modelling in S-101", TSMAD27-4.5.2B that seems to be latest on that topic. There is no 100% overlap between these two documents. While S-101 does cover aeronautical lights within the same list, relevance to mariners is obvious.

Perhaps looking into that before or at discussion of the document ENG2-9.3 ( "Trials and Implementation of the Fixed and Flashing Rhythmic Character on Estonian AtoN" ). I would think that any rhythmic characters implemented are useful as far as conveyed properly to the mariners over ECDIS.

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