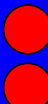

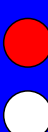



## UNDER WAY AND MAKING WAY

Vessel	Under way Special Lights	Making way
Not Under Command		Shows side and stern lights. <b>No steaming light(s)</b>
Restricted Ability to Manoeuvre Fishing. Trawling.	<div> <div>RAM</div>  </div> <div> <div>F</div>  </div> <div> <div>T</div>  </div>	Shows side and stern lights <b>and steaming light(s)</b>
All other vessels: CBD, Sail, Motor, pilot, tug.	Show special lights, plus side, stern, and steaming lights.	Show special lights, plus side, stern, and steaming lights.

**Underway:** not anchored, or made fast to the shore, or aground.

**Making way:** being propelled through the water by sail, machinery, or oar.

This is easy to distinguish by day, but at night you can only look at the lights displayed for information:

- **Navigation Lights** - side, stern and masthead (steaming) lights.
- **Special Lights** - indicate the type of vessel eg fishing, NUC, CBD, RAM
- **Fishing, Trawling, NUC, and RAM** vessels are underway when they show their special lights, AND making way if they also show navigation lights.
- **Not under Command vessels** do not show masthead steaming lights when making way. They may have engine or steering trouble, so may be erratic in their course and speed. A steaming light indicates 'proceeding under engine', and direction of travel, both of which may be misleading for NUC vessels.

Tugs can be defined as towing when they show towing lights.

**Motor, sail, tugs, Constrained by Draught, Pilot - can only be determined as under way at night and always show navigation lights and special lights if any. For 99.9% of the time they will actually be making way, but you cannot assume that.**

The reason for the different treatment is that certain vessels may or may not be moving through the water by virtue of the work they do – such as dredgers, survey vessels and cable layers. Also fishing boats may drift with nets out, or make way towing nets or trawls. Vessels not under command may have operational engines – or not. It is important to separate all these situations because it would otherwise be uncertain what the vessels may do and you need to decide on appropriate actions.

In restricted visibility, a motor vessel may make different fog signals:

- 1 long blast when making way
- 2 long blasts when stopped - not making way

All other vessels make the same fog signal (1 long and 2 short)