

Tides





Spring Tides

Every other week the sun and moon are both in line with the earth; the two *gravitational forces* added together will cause exceptionally strong tides.

Sun

Neap Tides

When the sun and the moon are at 90 degrees of each other, the *gravitational force* of the sun will neutralize half of the moon's *gravitational force*, resulting in *neap tides*.

Earth

Moon



MHWS (MEAN HIGH WATER SPRING)

MHW (MEAN HIGH WATER)

MHWN (MEAN HIGH WATER NEAPS)

MSL (MEAN SEA LEVEL)

MLWN (MEAN LOW WATER NEAPS)

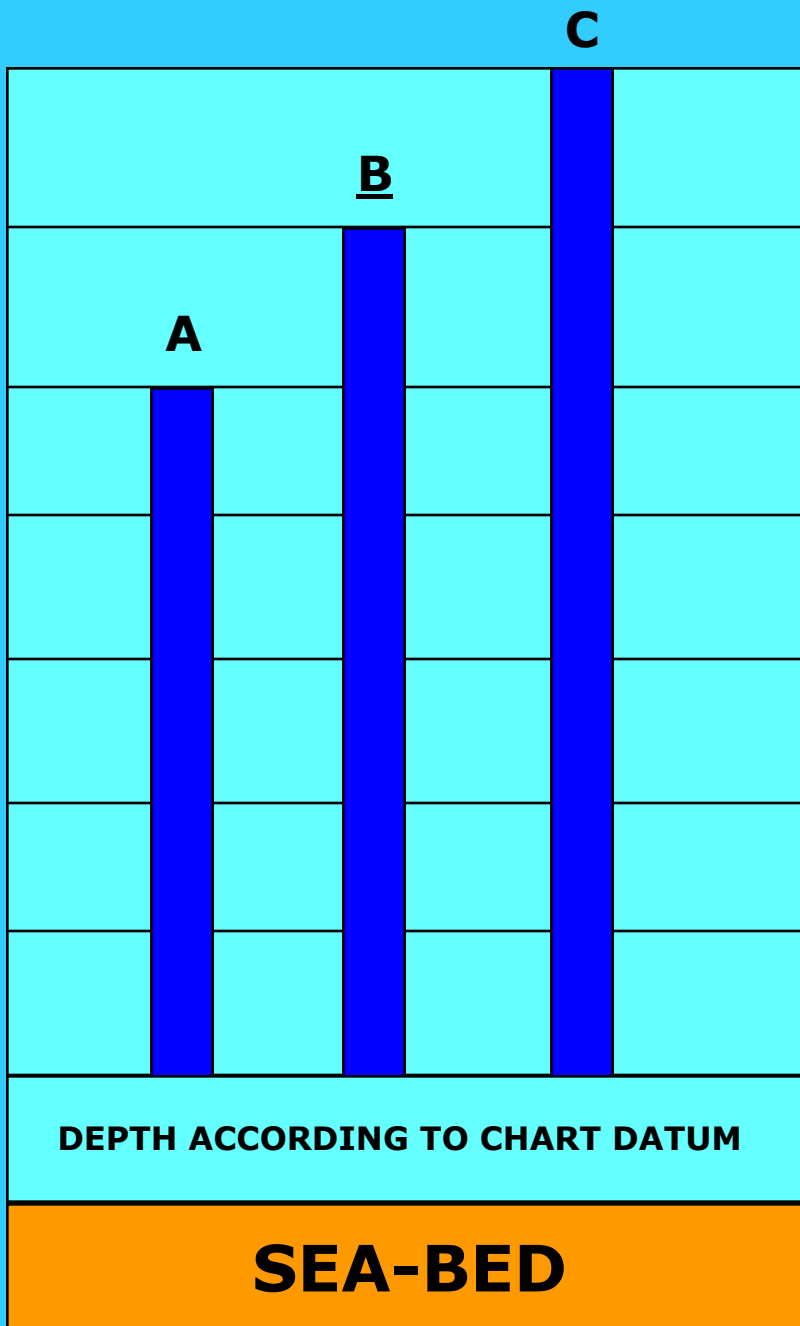
MLW (MEAN LOW WATER)

MLWS (MEAN LOW WATER SPRING)

LAT (LOWEST ASTRONOMICAL TIDE)

DEPTH ACCORDING TO CHART DATUM

SEA-BED

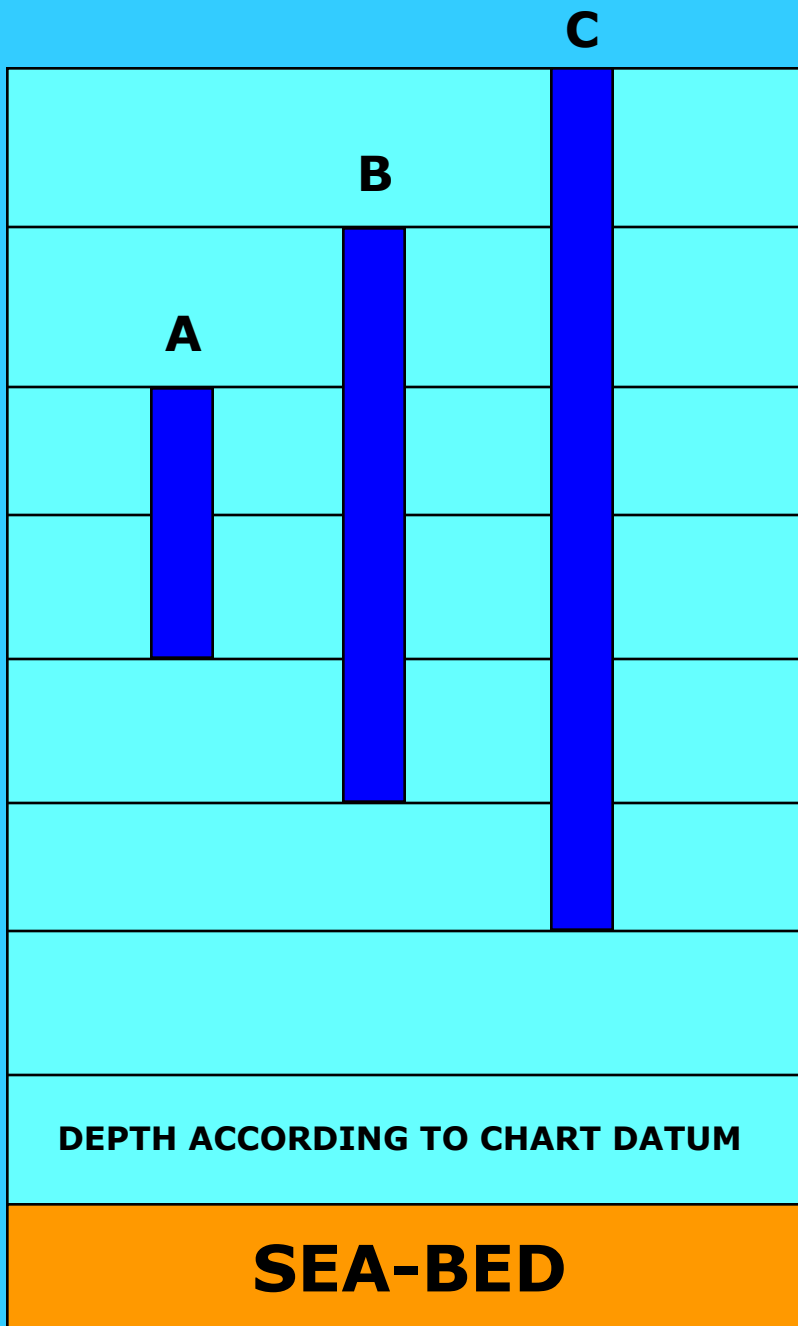


RISE:

A= neap rise;

B= mean rise;

C= spring rise.



RANGE

- A) neap range
- B) mean range;
- C) spring range.

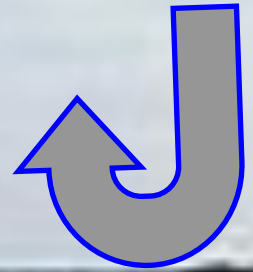
By "Range" is understood the *average difference* between 2 waterlevels.

high slack tide

High slack water (HSW)
is when the high water is
highest and about to go down.



low slack tide



Low slack water (L SW) is the tide when the low water is lowest and about to go up.

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