

Niord System User Manual for Admins

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Chapter 1. Introduction

Niord (Nautical Information Directory) is a system for producing and publishing Navigational Warnings (NW) and Notices to Mariners T&P (NM).

It was originally developed as part of the [EfficienSea2](#) EU project and subsequently implemented as a production system for the [Danish Maritime Authority](#).



Some of the main features of Niord area:

- Niord provides an advanced and highly customizable production system for NW and NM T&P.
- It includes a plug-in architecture for NW and NM message promulgation via e.g. mailing lists and Twitter.
- Niord also integrates with the [Maritime Cloud](#) by defining a Maritime Cloud Service Specification and making NW & NM messages accessible via a [Public REST API](#)
- The [combined NW & NM message model](#) adopted by Niord has been devised to make data future-compatible with the upcoming IHO S-124 specification.

Chapter 2. Administrators Manual

A user in Niord always works in the context of a *current domain*. Domains are used to separate NW & NM messages into more manageable lists - you could e.g. have a domain for NW messages, a domain for NM messages, a domain for firing exercises (also NWs), or indeed domains for separate regions with separate time-zones, etc.

A user has separate roles in each domain. The available roles are:

- *User*: The *user* role can be assigned to e.g. case officers that should have access to see, proof-read and comment on un-published NW and NM messages.
- *Editor*: Editors compose and manage the life cycle of an NW or NM message.
- *Admin*: An administrator of a domain will have additional access to e.g. manage the base data (sea charts, publications, etc.) of the Niord system.
- *Sysadmin*: A very special role that should be held only by the person(s) actually setting up and managing the Niord system.

The roles listed above are hierarchical in the sense that a *sysadmin* can do anything an *admin* can do, who in turn can do anything an *editor* can do, and so forth.

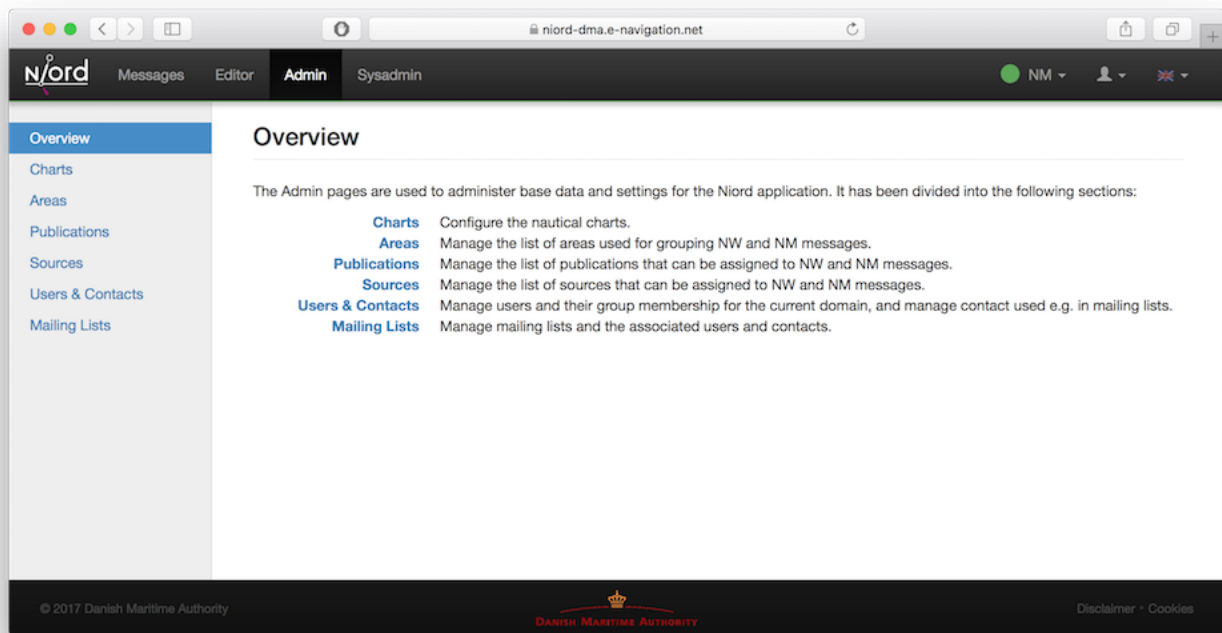
This document serves as a user manual for *administrators* of a domain.



Please use a newish Chrome, Safari or Firefox browser when using Niord.

Chapter 3. Admin Page

The *Admin* page of Niord only become available if you log in as an administrator or system administrator.



The *Admin* page allows administrative users to manage base data such as charts, areas, publications, users, etc.

There are some quirks to be aware of when assigning users to become administrators. A user can in theory be an administrator in one domain, e.g. "NW", and only an editor in another domain, e.g. "NM". Since some base data, such as charts and areas, are shared between domains, this means that the user can manage the charts when in the "NW" domain, but not when in the "NM" domain.

In reality this is hardly a problem, since the typical modus would be for an administrator of one domain to be administrator of all domains. However, it is something to be aware of...

Chapter 4. Charts

The *Charts* page allows an administrator to manage the list of nautical charts that may be associated with notices to mariners and navigational warnings, and can be used for filtering message search results.

Charts

Add, modify and manage charts.

+ New Chart⚙

Chart Number	Int. Number	Name	Scale
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D		Danmark med søgrænser	1:850,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C		Danmark med omgivende farvande	1:850,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 198		Østersøen, Fakse Bugt og Hjelm Bugt	1:75,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 197		Østersøen, Gedser Rev og Kadetrenden	1:75,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 196		Femø Bælt	1:75,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 195		Østersøen, Vestlige del	1:75,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 190		Fakse Bugt	1:50,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 189	1336	Bornholmsgat	1:100,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 188		Østersøen, Gedser Rev - Christiansø	1:250,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 172		Rudkøbing Løb	1:15,000

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The list of charts is divided into pages of 10 charts, and may be navigated using the pagination control below the chart list. Alternatively, the user may filter the list of charts by typing a term into the *Filter* input field above the chart list. The term is matched against the name and number of the charts.

The map at the right side of the page depicts the extents of the charts currently displayed.

4.1. Adding or Editing a Chart

The user can add a new nautical chart by clicking the "New Chart" button, or edit a chart by clicking the pencil symbol next to the chart.

This will open the *Chart Edit Page*:

Charts

Add, modify and manage charts.

Active☒

Chart Number

Int. Number

Name

Scale

Horizontal Datum

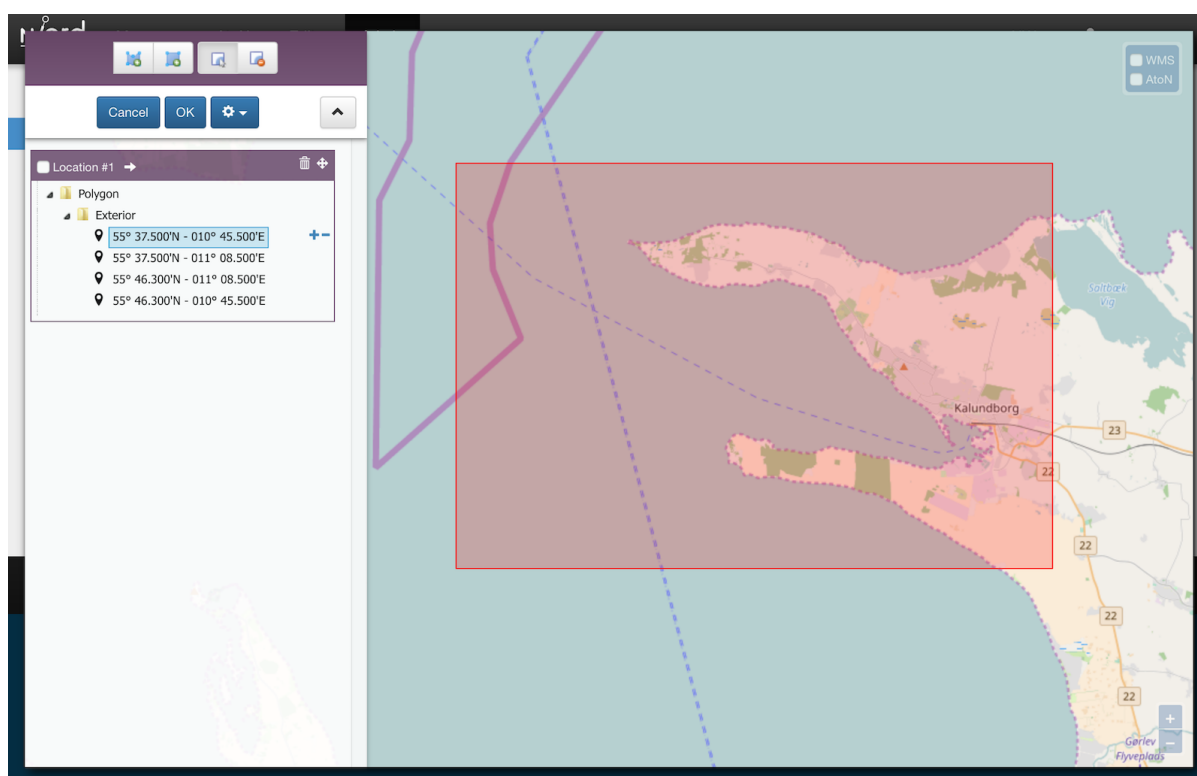
Cancel

Save Chart

Most chart attributes are pretty straight forward:

Chart Attribute	Description
Active	Only an active chart can be assigned to a message.
Chart Number	The chart number is the national number of the chart. It must be unique.
Int. Number	The international number of the charts. Only some charts have international numbers.
Name	The national name of the chart.
Scale	The scale of the chart. Can be used for sorting the charts assigned to a messages.
Horizontal Datum	The horizontal datum of the chart. Typically WGS84. This attribute is currently not used in Niord.

The geographical extent of a chart can be edited by clicking the "Edit" button at the map. This will open a graphical editor and allow the user to define the extent by one or more polygons (rectangles)



The functionality of the graphical editor is described in more detail in the [User Manual for Editors](#).

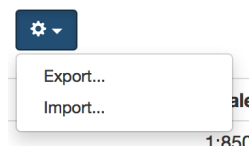
4.2. Deleting a Chart

Charts can be deleted by clicking the trash icon next to them. However, this only works if the chart being deleted has never been assigned to a message.

If a chart has indeed been assigned to a message, the user should deactivate the chart instead.

4.3. Importing and Exporting Charts

The administrator can export and import charts from the charts action menu:



The export/import file format is based on a JSON representation of the [SystemChartVo](#) class.

Example:

```
[
  {
    "chartNumber": "198",
    "active": true,
    "scale": 75000,
    "name": "Østersøen, Fakse Bugt og Hjelm Bugt",
    "geometry": {
      "type": "Polygon",
      "coordinates": [
        [
          [ 12.0, 54.74166667 ],
          [ 12.76666667, 54.74166667 ],
          [ 12.76666667, 55.38333333 ],
          [ 12.0, 55.38333333 ],
          [ 12.0, 54.74166667 ]
        ]
      ]
    },
    "horizontalDatum": "WGS84"
  },
  ...
]
```

Importing a chart JSON file will trigger the *chart-import* batch job. Batch jobs can be monitored and managed by system administrators.

As an alternative to manually uploading a chart import JSON file on the *Charts* admin page, the file can be copied to the `$NIORD_HOME/batch-jobs/chart-import/in` folder.

Chapter 5. Areas

The *Areas* page allows an administrator to manage the hierarchical tree of areas that may be associated with notices to mariners and navigational warnings, and can be used for filtering message search results.

Areas

Reload Add Delete... ↑ ↓ ⚙

Filter Areas

- Denmark
 - The Baltic Sea
 - The Sound
 - The Waters South of Zealand
 - The Great Belt
 - Waters South of Funen
 - The Little Belt
 - Kattegat
 - The Liim Fiord
 - Skagerrak
 - The North Sea
 - Faroe Islands
- Greenland
 - W-coast
 - E-coast
- Sweden
- Norway
- UK
- Germany

☒ Active

Name

The Baltic Sea Østersøen

MRN

MRN

Type

none

Additional Editor Fields

Select editor fields

Message Sorting

Clockwise 54° 30.00'N - 012° 00.00'E

180

Extent

DENMARK

Edit

Save

The area tree is navigated like a file system directory. Additionally, the user may filter the areas by typing a term into the *Filter Areas* input field above the area tree. The term is matched against the name of the areas.

5.1. Adding or Editing an Area

The user can add a new area by clicking the "Add" button, or edit an area by selecting it in the area tree.

When adding a new area, it will be a child-area of the currently selected area in the area tree. If no area is selected, the new area will become a new root area.

The details of the new or edited area will be present in the *Area Editor Panel* next to the area tree (see screenshot above).

The simple editable attributes of an area are listed below:

Area Attribute	Description
Active	Only an active area can be assigned to a message.
Name	The name of the area in all supported model languages.
MRN	Optionally, specify a <i>Maritime Resource Name</i> (a unique URN) for the area. Defining MRNs for areas will facilitate better integration between Niord systems of different countries.
Type	Optionally, specify the area type. Currently, "Country" and "Firing Area" are the only supported types.
Additional Editor Fields	Can be used to enable extra fields in the message editor when the area is assigned to the message. As an example, if a firing practice area is assigned to a navigational warning, it might make sense to show the "Signals" editor field, not normally enabled for navigational warnings, in the message editor.

5.1.1. Message Sorting Editor Field

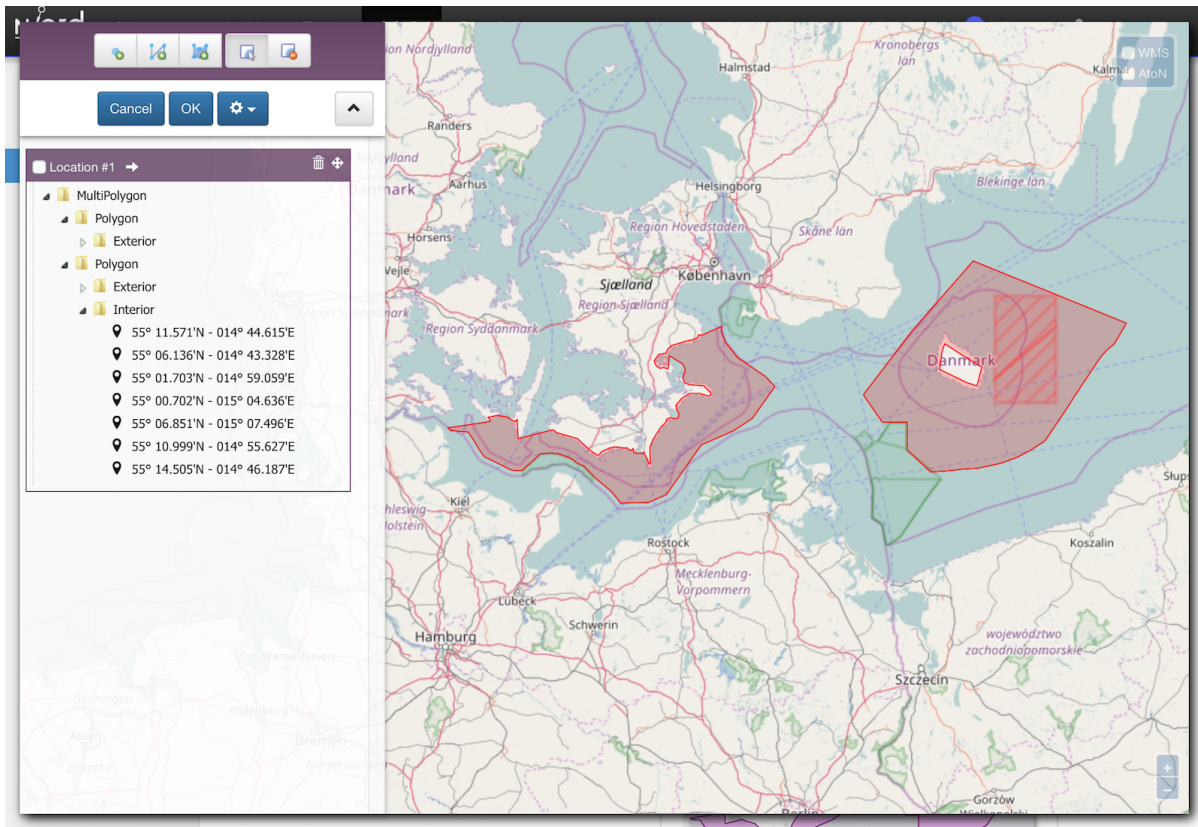
The *Message Sorting* editor field determines how to sort messages, when the message list is sorted by area. The valid options are:

Message Sorting	Description
Area order	This is the default behaviour. The order of messages assigned to an area, or any of its sub-areas, is determined by the area order. So, in the example above, "Denmark" is e.g. sorted before "Faroe Islands", and within "Denmark", "The Baltic Sea" is sorted before "The Sound", etc.
North-South	Messages associated with an area sorted "North-South", or any of its sub-areas, will be sorted North-to-South by the latitude of their geometrical center.
South-North	Reverse order of "North-South".
East-West	Messages associated with an area sorted "East-West", or any of its sub-areas, will be sorted East-to-West by the longitude of their geometrical center.
West-East	Reverse order of "East-West".
Clockwise	If an area is flagged as sorting "Clockwise", then messages associated with the area, or any of its subareas, will be sorted in clockwise order around the given position, starting at the given bearing.
Counter-Clockwise	Reverse order of "Clockwise".

This automated sorting of messages by area can subsequently be overridden manually, as described in the [Sort Area Action](#) chapter.

5.1.2. Extent Editor Field

The geographical extent of an area can be edited by clicking the "Edit" button at the *Extent* editor field map. This will open a graphical editor and allow the user to define the geographical extent.



The functionality of the graphical editor is described in more detail in the [User Manual for Editors](#).

5.2. Reorganizing Areas

The hierarchical order of the areas are updated in two ways:

- To move an area to a different parent area, use drag-and-drop.
- To move an area to another position under the same parent area, use the up- and down-arrow buttons above the area tree.

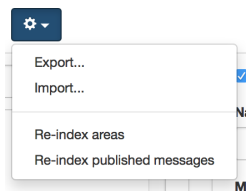
5.3. Deleting an Area

An area, including all its sub-areas, can be deleted by selecting it and then click the "Delete" button above the area tree. However, this only works if neither the selected area, nor any of its sub-areas, have ever been assigned to a message.

If the area has indeed been assigned to a message, the user should instead deactivate the area.

5.4. Importing and Exporting Areas

The administrator can export and import areas from the area action menu:



The export/import file format is based on a JSON representation of the [SystemAreaVo](#) class. The data file should define root areas at the top level, and the recursively define sub-areas in the *children* field of the parent area.

The imported data is merged into the existing area tree. If an MRN is defined for an imported area, this is used to search for existing areas in the area tree. Alternatively, the name of the area (in all supported languages) is used to search for existing matches.

Example:

```
[
  {
    "mrn": "urn:mrn:iho:country:dk",
    "active": true,
    "descs": [ { "name": "Danmark", "lang": "da" }, { "name": "Denmark", "lang": "en" } ],
  },
  {
    "type": "COUNTRY",
    "geometry": {
      "type": "MultiPolygon",
      "coordinates": [ ... ]
    },
    "children": [
      {
        "active": true,
        "descs": [ { "name": "Østersøen", "lang": "da" }, { "name": "The Baltic Sea", "lang": "en" } ],
        "geometry": {
          "type": "MultiPolygon",
          "coordinates": [ ... ]
        },
        "children": [ ... ],
        "messageSorting": "CW",
        "originLatitude": 54.5,
        "originLongitude": 12.0,
        "originAngle": 180
      },
      ...
    ]
  },
  ...
]
```

Importing an area JSON file will trigger the *area-import* batch job. Batch jobs can be monitored and

managed by system administrators.

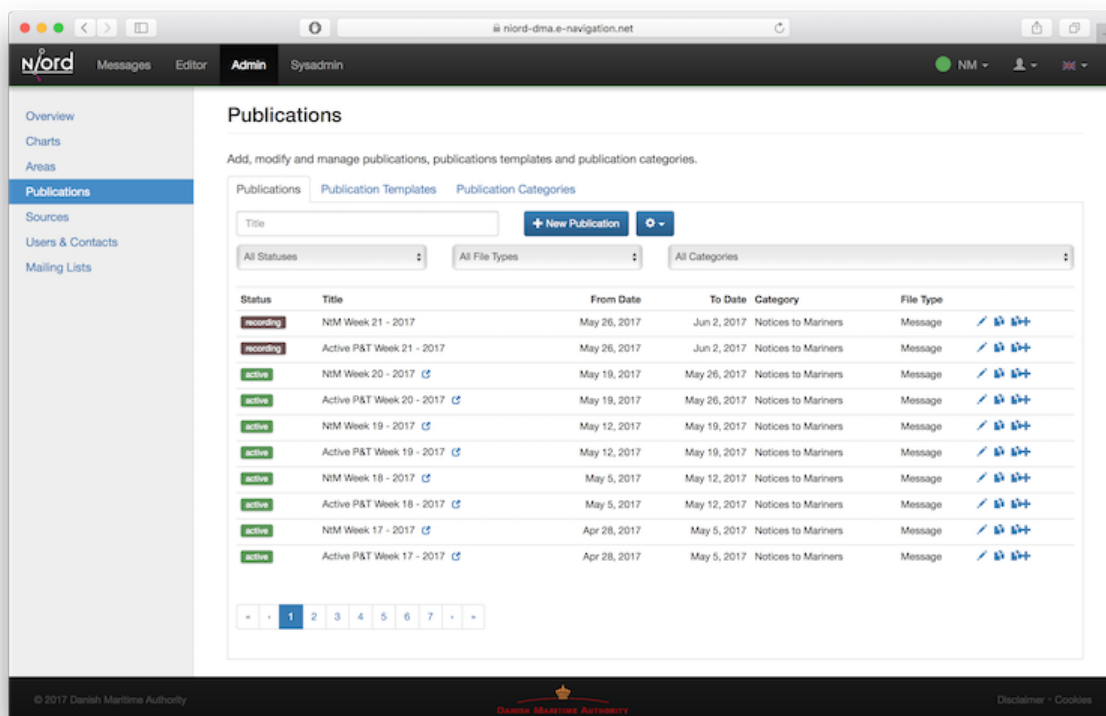
As an alternative to manually uploading an area import JSON file on the *Areas* admin page, the file can be copied to the *\$NIORD_HOME/batch-jobs/area-import/in* folder.

Chapter 6. Publications

The *Publications* page allows an administrator to manage a list of publications. *Publications* represents a very extensive topic, because they are used for many different purposes, and in many different forms.

Two of the main purposes are:

- All navigational warnings and notices to mariners in Niord maintain a list of publications relevant to the message. Or rather, two lists; one for internal publications such as the journal number or Aids to Navigation numbers relevant to the message; and a list of external publications, such as the List of Wrecks, or List of Lights, referenced by the message.
- Publications that are produced by Niord, such as the weekly Notices to Mariners. These are publicly available via a public REST API.



The *Publications* page is actually divided into three different sub-pages: *Publications*, *Publication Templates* and *Publication Categories*, detailed below in reverse order.

6.1. Publication Categories Tab

Publications

Publication Templates

Publication Categories

Filter

+ New Publication Category

Name	Publish	Priority		
Notices to Mariners	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	10		
Annexes - Notices to Mariners	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	20		
Danish Maritime Authority publications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	50		
Danish Maritime Authority internal publications	<input type="checkbox"/>	60		
External publications	<input type="checkbox"/>	100		

All publications must be assigned a *publication category*. Publication categories are thus used to group publications in a prioritized order, and will determine which publications are published to end-user facing websites via a public REST API.

In the example above, the three publication categories flagged as published, is reflected in the end-user facing *Niord-Proxy* website, <https://nautiskinformation.soefartsstyrelsen.dk>, displaying publications grouped accordingly:

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL nautiskinformation.soefartsstyrelsen.dk. The page has a navigation bar with links: Details, List, Map, Downloads, and flags. Below the navigation bar, there are two tabs: "Active NtM and Publications" (selected) and "Historical NtM and Publications". The main content area is divided into three sections, each with a heading and a list of publications:

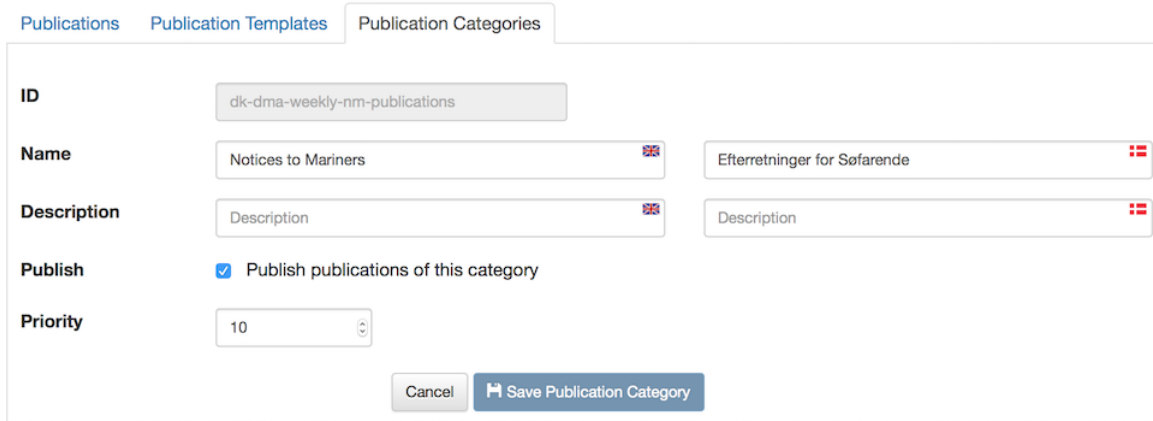
- Notices to Mariners**
 - NtM Week 20 – 2017 (Download, Browse)
 - Active P&T Week 20 – 2017 (Download, Browse)
- Annexes – Notices to Mariners**
 - EFS A – 2017 (Download, Browse)
 - Firing Practice Areas at Sea 2017 (Download, Browse)
 - NCAGS (Download, Browse)
 - Meddelelse fra Marinstaben om istjeneste samt om ismeldinger m.m. for vinteren 2017 (Danish Only) (Download, Browse)
- Danish Maritime Authority publications**
 - Navigation through Danish Waters (Download)
 - Danish List of Lights 2015 (Download)

The footer of the page contains the copyright notice "© 2017 Danish Maritime Authority", the logo of the Danish Maritime Authority, and links for "Disclaimer" and "Cookies".

6.1.1. Adding or Editing Publication Categories

The user may add a new publication category by clicking the "New Publication Category" button above the categories list, or edit an existing publication category by clicking the pencil icon next to it.

This will open the *Publication Category Editor Panel*:



The editable attributes of a publication category are listed below:

Category Attribute	Description
ID	All publication categories must be assigned a unique ID.
Name	The name of the publication category in all supported model languages.
Description	Optionally, a more detailed description of the publication category in all supported model languages.
Publish	If checked, all publications of the publication category will be published via a public REST API available to external clients, such as an end-user facing Niord-Proxy website.
Priority	The priority of the publication category. May be e.g. used by end-user facing websites displaying Niord publications.

6.1.2. Importing and Exporting Publication Categories

The administrator can export and import publication categories from the action menu above the categories list.

The export/import file format is based on a JSON representation of the [PublicationCategoryVo](#) class.

Example:


```
[
  {
    "categoryId": "dk-dma-weekly-nm-publications",
    "priority": 10,
    "publish": true,
    "descs": [
      {
        "name": "Efterretninger for Søfarende",
        "lang": "da"
      },
      {
        "name": "Notices to Mariners",
        "lang": "en"
      }
    ]
  },
  ...
]
```

Importing a publication categories JSON file will trigger the *publication-category-import* batch job. Batch jobs can be monitored and managed by system administrators.

As an alternative to manually uploading a publication categories JSON file on the *Publication Categories* tab, the file can be copied to the *\$NIORD_HOME/batch-jobs/publication-category-import/in* folder.

6.2. Publication Templates Tab

Publications

Publication Templates

Publication Categories

Title

+ New Publication

All Statuses

All File Types

All Categories

Status	Title	Category	File Type
active	Weekly NtM	Notices to Mariners	Message <div><div></div><div></div></div>
active	Weekly NtM P&T	Notices to Mariners	Message <div><div></div><div></div></div>
inactive	Accumulated Yearly NtM	Notices to Mariners	Uploaded file <div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>

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Publication Templates are essentially identical to *Publications*, give or take a few attributes. Configuration of a publication can be quite extensive, in particular for tasks such as producing a weekly Notices to Mariners digest. However, when basing a publication on a publication template, only a few fields, such as publication dates need to be filled out.

The list of publication templates can be filtered using a "Title" text input field, or by filtering on the status, file type and publication category of the publication templates.

6.2.1. Adding or Editing Publication Templates

The user may add a new publication template by clicking the "New Publication" button above the template list, or copy or edit an existing publication template by clicking the copy or pencil icon next to it.

This will open the *Publication Template Editor Panel*:

The screenshot shows the 'Publication Templates' tab in a web interface. The panel is titled 'Publication Templates' and has three sub-tabs: 'Publications', 'Publication Templates', and 'Publication Categories'. The 'Publication Templates' tab is active. The panel contains several sections for configuring a template:

- Status:** A green 'active' button.
- Category:** A dropdown menu with 'Notices to Mariners' selected.
- Title:** Two text input fields. The first contains 'Weekly NtM' and the second contains 'Ugentlig Efs'.
- Title Format:** Two text input fields. The first contains 'NtM Week \${week} - \${year}' and the second contains 'Efs uge \${week} - \${year}'.
- Periodical Type:** A dropdown menu with 'Weekly' selected.
- File Type:** A row of buttons: 'None', 'Link', 'Uploaded file', 'Message', and a checked 'Language specific' checkbox.
- Message Tag Format:** A text input field containing 'nm-w\${week-2-digits}-\${year}' and an 'insert' button.
- Message Tag Filter:** A text input field containing 'Message Tag Filter' and a 'Predefined' dropdown menu.
- Report:** A section with a 'Report' dropdown (set to 'NM report'), a 'Layout' dropdown (set to 'portrait'), a 'Paper size' dropdown (set to 'A4'), an 'include thumbnails' checkbox, and two text input fields for 'year' (containing '\${year}') and 'week' (containing '\${week}').
- PDF File Name:** Two text input fields. The first contains 'NtM-Week-\${week}-\${year}.pdf' and the second contains 'Efs-Uge-\${week}-\${year}.pdf'.
- Message Publication:** A dropdown menu with 'None' selected.

At the bottom of the panel are three buttons: 'Back', 'Save', and 'Make Inactive'.

Publication templates can make use of *replacement tokens* in the textual fields. This is typically used to inject the year or calendar week into the titles of publications that are based on the template. Available *replacement tokens*:

- "\${year}" : The full year, e.g. "2017".
- "\${year-2-digits}" : The last two digits of the year, e.g. "17".
- "\${week}" : The calendar week, e.g. "8".
- "\${week-2-digits}" : A two-digit version of the calendar week, e.g. "08".

The date used for expanding the *replacement tokens* is the *publish start date* of the publication that is based on the publication template.

The common editable attributes of a publication template are listed below:

Template Attribute	Description
Status	A publication template can be in a <i>Draft</i> , <i>Active</i> or <i>Inactive</i> status. Only <i>Active</i> templates can be used for new publications. Allowed status transitions are from <i>Draft</i> to <i>Active</i> and from <i>Active</i> to <i>Inactive</i> .
Category	All publication templates must be assigned a publication category.
Title	The title of the publication template in all supported model languages.
Title Format	The format used for generating the titles of the publications based on this publication template in all supported model languages. This typically involves <i>replacement tokens</i> , such as in "NtM Week \${week} - \${year}"
Periodical Type	Some publications are periodicals. This make it even easier to create a new publication, say, the next weekly NtM, by copying an old version and adding one week to the publish date interval. Available values are <i>Daily</i> , <i>Weekly</i> , <i>Monthly</i> and <i>Yearly</i> .
File Type	The file type attribute of publication defines the actual type of the publication. This is treated in more detail in the next sub-sections.
Language Specific	If the <i>Language Specific</i> option is checked, it will signal that the actual publication file is language specific, and a separate link or file (depending on the <i>File Type</i>) is defined for each model language. If the <i>Language Specific</i> option is not checked, only a single link or file is defined.
Message Publication	The <i>Message Publication</i> option is used to define if the publication is selectable in the <i>Publications</i> editor field of the message editor, and whether the publication is selectable for internal or external message publications. This is treated in more detail below.

"None" File Type

When the "None" file type is selected for a publication template, no actual link of file will be associated with the publications based on the template.

"Link" File Type

File Type: ☐ None ☒ Link ☐ Uploaded file ☐ Message ☒ Language specific


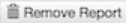
Link:

When the "Link" file type is selected for a publication template, a URL link, possible to an external publication, need be specified for publications based on the template. Depending on the *Language Specific* setting, there will be a single link or a link per model language.

"Uploaded File" File Type

File Type None Link Uploaded file Message ☐ Language specific

Repository File

When the "Uploaded File" file type is selected for a publication template, an actual publication file (e.g. a PDF) must be uploaded for publications based on the template. Depending on the *Language Specific* setting, only a single file should be uploaded, or a file per model language.

"Message" File Type

File Type None Link Uploaded file Message ☒ Language specific

Message Tag Format insert ▼

Message Tag Filter Predefined ▼

Report

Report NM T&P report ▼

Layout portrait landscape

Paper size A4 ▼

☐ include thumbnails

year

week

PDF File Name

By far, the most complex and powerful publication file type option is "Message". The overarching idea is to associate publications of this file type with a *message tag* - please refer to the [Message Tags](#) topic.

Additionally, a message report, such as the "NM T&P report" above, must be specified along with the file name of the generated report files. Depending on the *Language Specific* setting, a single PDF file will be generated, or one per model language.

Messages can be associated with the message tag in two ways. Either the user can manually assign the messages to the message tag, or the publication can be in a "Recording" status, where messages matching the *Message Tag Filter* will automatically be added to the message tag. Conversely, if a message does not match the filter, it will be removed from the message tag.

At first, when the user starts recording, all currently published messages of the domain for which the publication is defined, will be subjected to the *Message Tag Filter*. The messages that matches the filter will automatically be added to the message tag. Subsequently, for as long as the publication is in the recording status, all messages of the publication domain that change status will be subjected to the *Message Tag Filter*, and added or removed from the message tag accordingly.

Example 1: The following filter will assign all T&P messages to the message tag that are already published when the user starts recording og gets published whilst recording. If a message is cancelled or expires whilst recording, it is removed from the message tag. This is very useful for e.g. a weekly NM T&P in-force publication.

```
(msg.type == Type.TEMPORARY_NOTICE || msg.type == Type.PRELIMINARY_NOTICE) &&  
msg.status == Status.PUBLISHED
```

Example 2: The following filter is the default message tag filter, i.e. the filter used if none is specified. It ignores all published messages when the user starts recording. Subsequently, when a message changes status to published, it is added to the message tag. However, it is not removed again if it was already in the message tag. This is very useful for e.g. a weekly NM publication, where you wish to include all NMs produced throughout the week, even if they have already been cancelled.

```
data.phase == 'msg-status-change' && (msg.status == Status.PUBLISHED ||  
data.isIncluded)
```

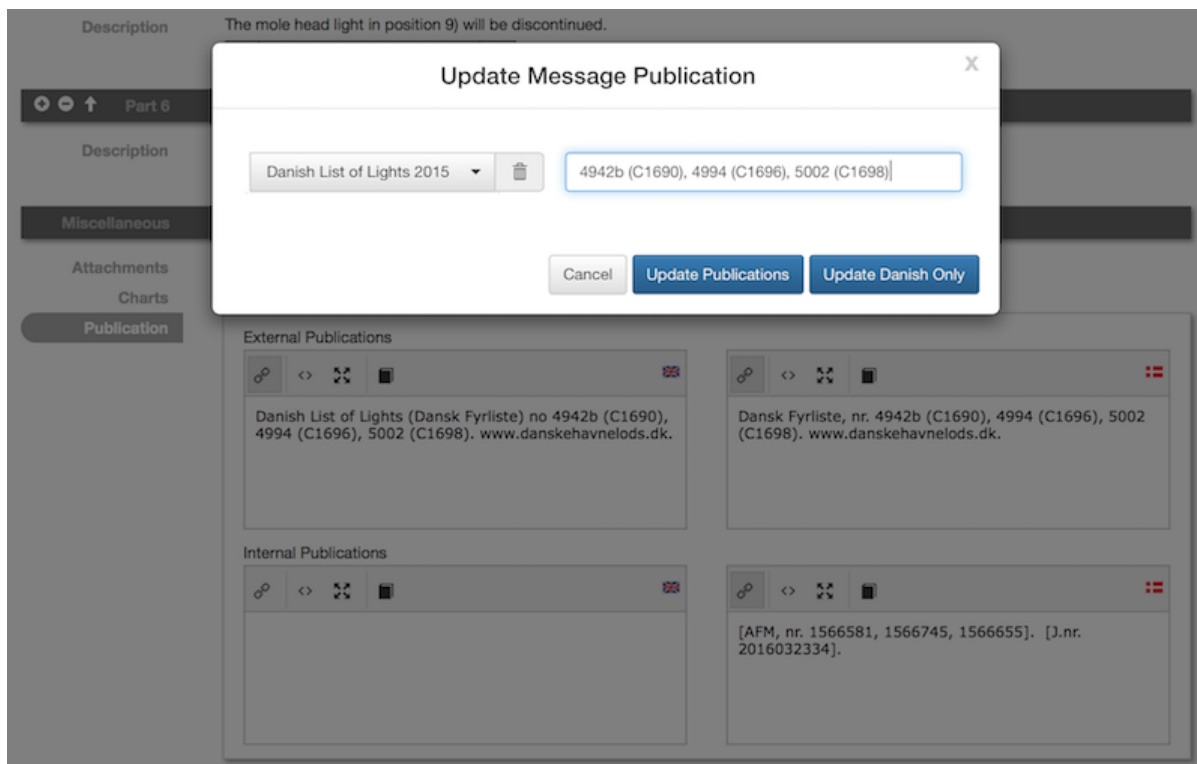
6.2.2. Message Publication

The screenshot shows the 'Message Publication' section of a software interface. It features a dropdown menu labeled 'External publication' with a downward arrow. Below this, there are two text input fields. The first field contains the text 'Danish List of Lights (Dansk Fyrliste) no \${parameters}' and has a small red 'X' icon to its right. The second field contains the text 'Dansk Fyrliste, nr. \${parameters}' and also has a small red 'X' icon to its right.

As previously mentioned, the *Message Publication* option is used to define if the publication is selectable in the *Publications* editor field of the message editor, and whether the publication is selectable for internal or external message publications.

Only the external publications of a message will be displayed to end-users, whereas internal publications will be viewable to registered users of Niord as well.

When the "Internal" or "External" *Message Publication* option is selected, text fields allows the user to define the actual text inserted into the localized message publication fields in the message editor. In the example above, "Danish List of Lights (Dansk Fyrliste) no \${parameters}" is used for the English-language message publication format. The "\${parameters}" *replacement token* allows the user to input parametrized values, such as light numbers, into the *Publications* field of the message editor, as exemplified below:



6.3. Publications Tab

Publications						
Publication Templates						
Publication Categories						
Title						
+ New Publication						
All Statuses						
All File Types						
All Categories						
Status	Title	From Date	To Date	Category	File Type	
recording	NtM Week 22 - 2017	Jun 2, 2017	Jun 9, 2017	Notices to Mariners	Message	/ + +
recording	Active P&T Week 22 - 2017	Jun 2, 2017	Jun 9, 2017	Notices to Mariners	Message	/ + +
active	NtM Week 21 - 2017 +	May 26, 2017	Jun 2, 2017	Notices to Mariners	Message	/ + +
active	Active P&T Week 21 - 2017 +	May 26, 2017	Jun 2, 2017	Notices to Mariners	Message	/ + +
active	NtM Week 20 - 2017 +	May 19, 2017	May 26, 2017	Notices to Mariners	Message	/ + +
active	Active P&T Week 20 - 2017 +	May 19, 2017	May 26, 2017	Notices to Mariners	Message	/ + +
active	NtM Week 19 - 2017 +	May 12, 2017	May 19, 2017	Notices to Mariners	Message	/ + +
active	Active P&T Week 19 - 2017 +	May 12, 2017	May 19, 2017	Notices to Mariners	Message	/ + +
active	Active P&T Week 18 - 2017 +	May 5, 2017	May 12, 2017	Notices to Mariners	Message	/ + +
active	NtM Week 18 - 2017 +	May 5, 2017	May 12, 2017	Notices to Mariners	Message	/ + +

Publication are essentially identical to *Publications Templates*, give or take a few attributes. Configuration of a publication can be quite extensive, in particular for tasks such as producing a weekly Notices to Mariners digest. However, when basing a publication on a publication template, only a few fields, such as publication dates need to be filled out.

When reading this section, it is assumed that you have already read the [Publication Templates Tab](#) section, and overlapping documentation is left out.

The list of publication can be filtered using a "Title" text input field, or by filtering on the status, file type and publication category of the publication templates. Since there may be lots of publications

in the system, the resulting publication list is paged and can be navigated using the pagination control below the list.

6.3.1. Adding or Editing Publication

The user may add a new publication template by clicking the "New Publication" button above the publication list, or copy or edit an existing publication by clicking the copy or pencil icon next to it.

This will open the *Publication Editor Panel*:

The screenshot shows the 'Publication Editor Panel' with the following fields and controls:

- Status:** A red pill-shaped button labeled 'recording'.
- Template:** A dropdown menu showing 'Ugentlig EFS' with a trash icon to its right.
- Publish Dates:** Two date-time pickers. The first is 'Jun 2, 2017 1:00 PM CEST' and the second is 'Jun 9, 2017 1:00 PM CEST', both with calendar icons.
- Publication Edition:** A numeric input field with '1' and up/down arrows.
- Repository File:** Two identical sections. Each contains a 'Browse...' button, the text 'or drop .pdf file here', and 'Preview Report' and 'Generate Report' buttons.
- Bottom Controls:** 'Back' and 'Save' buttons on the left; 'Stop Recording Messages' and 'Release Publication...' buttons on the right.

This publication is based on the "Weekly NtM" publication template, and thus, only a few fields are left to fill out.

Publication Attribute	Description
Status	A publication can be in a <i>Draft</i> , <i>Recording</i> , <i>Active</i> or <i>Inactive</i> status. Only <i>Active</i> publications withing the specified <i>Publish Date</i> interval will be selectable in the message editor or published to external clients via the public REST API. Allowed status transitions are from <i>Draft</i> to <i>Recording</i> or <i>Active</i> . From <i>Recording</i> back to <i>Draft</i> , and from <i>Active</i> to <i>Inactive</i> .
Publish Date	The date interval where an <i>Active</i> publication is selectable in the message editor or published to external clients via the public REST API.
Publication Edition	A publication can be released in multiple editions. For instance, a yearly "Firing Practice Areas" publication may have to be updated if the firing areas are changed mid-year. In that case, copy the old publication, adjust the end publish date of the old publication, and the start publish date of the new publication to be the cut-over date. Also, increase the edition of the new publication, and re-generate or upload updated repository files as appropriate.
Repository File	These fields are present when the template has file type "Message" (see previous section). Here, you can preview and generate the actual repository files associated with the publication.

6.3.2. Releasing Publications

A special "Release Publication..." option is available to message reports-based publications that are in the *Recording* status.

Enacting the function will perform multiple steps at once:

- Stop recording.
- Generated repository files for all supported languages.
- Make the publication active.
- Generate next issue of the publication.
- Start recording for the next issue publication.

6.3.3. Importing and Exporting Publications

The administrator can export and import publications including publication templates from the action menu above the publication list.

The export/import file format is based on a JSON representation of the [SystemPublicationVo](#) class.

Example:

```
[
  {
    "category": {
      "categoryId": "dk-dma-weekly-nm-publications"
    },
    "type": "MESSAGE_REPORT",
    "publishDateFrom": 1496401200000,
    "publishDateTo": 1497006000000,
    "descs": [
      {
        "title": "EfS uge 22 - 2017",
        "fileName": "EfS-Uge-22-2017.pdf",
        "lang": "da"
      },
      {
        "title": "NtM Week 22 - 2017",
        "fileName": "NtM-Week-22-2017.pdf",
        "lang": "en"
      }
    ],
    "revision": 1,
    "mainType": "PUBLICATION",
    "status": "RECORDING",
    "template": {
      "publicationId": "a8e661ee-49b8-45ea-a176-952e99253fec"
    },
    "domain": {
```



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    "domainId": "niord-nm"
  },
  "periodicalType": "WEEKLY",
  "edition": 1,
  "messageTagFormat": "nm-w22-2017",
  "messageTag": {
    "tagId": "73a50a0a-0d65-4a6f-8a17-1af9b3e8fbf9"
  },
  "messagePublication": "NONE",
  "languageSpecific": true,
  "printSettings": {
    "report": "nm-report",
    "pageSize": "A4",
    "pageOrientation": "portrait",
    "mapThumbnails": false
  },
  "reportParams": {
    "year": "2017",
    "week": "22"
  },
  "publicationId": "0128ff8f-910f-4204-a1ce-13c48d3d5ffb",
  "created": 1483269014000,
  "updated": 1495792436000
},
...
]

```

Importing a publications JSON file will trigger the *publication-import* batch job. Batch jobs can be monitored and managed by system administrators.

As an alternative to manually uploading a publications JSON file on the *Publications* tab, the file can be copied to the `$NIORD_HOME/batch-jobs/publication-import/in` folder.

Chapter 7. Sources

The *Sources* page allows an administrator to manage a list of sources, so that they can be assigned to messages in the message editor in a consistent and localized manner, using the proper abbreviations.

Sources

Add, modify and manage sources.

<input type="text" value="Filter"/>				+ New Source	⚙
Active	Name	Abbreviation			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Air Staff Defence Command Denmark	AIR STAFF DC DNK	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Camp Jægerspris, Denmark	JPL	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Camp Oksbøl, Shooting Range Area, Denmark	OKSBL	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Danish Coastal Authority	KDI	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Danish Defence Estates and Infrastructure Organisation	DDEO	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Danish Geodata Agency	GST	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Danish Home Guard	MHV	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Danish Nature Agency	NST	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Danish Naval Weapon Center	NAVWEAPONCEN DNK	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Danish Sailing Association	DS	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Danish Transport and Construction Agency	TBST	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Defence Command Denmark	DC DNK	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Faroese Office of Public Works	LV	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency, Germany	BSH	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	International Maritime Organization	IMO	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Joint Arctic Command	JACMD	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Joint Operation Center	JOC	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Joint Rescue Coordination Centre, Denmark	JRCC	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Maritime Assistance Service	MAS	✎	🗑	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Maritime Rescue Coordination Center	MRCC	✎	🗑	
<div>« ◀ 1 2 ▶ »</div>					

The list of sources is divided into pages of 20 sources, and may be navigated using the pagination control below the source list. Alternatively, the user may filter the list of sources by typing a term into the *Filter* input field above the list. The term is matched against the name and abbreviation of the source.

7.1. Adding or Editing Sources

The user may add a new source by clicking the "New Source" button above the sources list, or edit an existing source by clicking the pencil icon next to it.

This will open the *Source Editor Page*:

Sources

Add, modify and manage sources.

Active	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Active	
Name	<input type="text" value="International Maritime Organization"/>	<input type="text" value="International Maritime Organization"/>
Abbreviation	<input type="text" value="IMO"/>	<input type="text" value="IMO"/>
<div><input type="button" value="Cancel"/> <input type="button" value="Save Source"/></div>		

The editable attributes of a source are listed below:

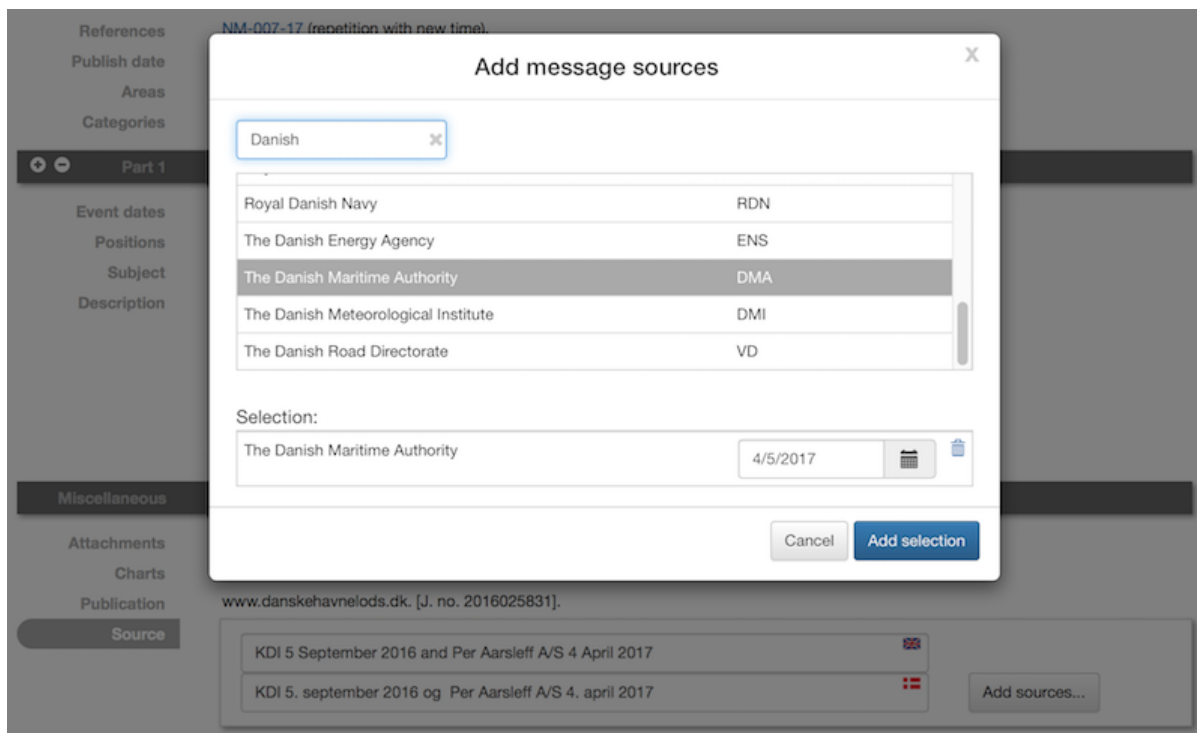
Source Attribute	Description
Active	Only active source may be assigned to a message in the message editor.
Name	The name of the source in all supported model languages.
Abbreviation	The official abbreviation of the source in all supported model languages.

7.2. Deleting a Source

A source can be deleted by clicking the trash icon next to it.

7.3. Message Editor Source Field

In the message editor, source abbreviations can be added to a message in the *Sources* editor field by clicking the "Add sources" button.



This will open a dialog and allow the user to search and select the sources to add along with the date of the source interaction.

7.4. Importing and Exporting Sources

The administrator can export and import sources from the action menu above the sources list.

The export/import file format is based on a JSON representation of the [SourceVo](#) class.

Example:

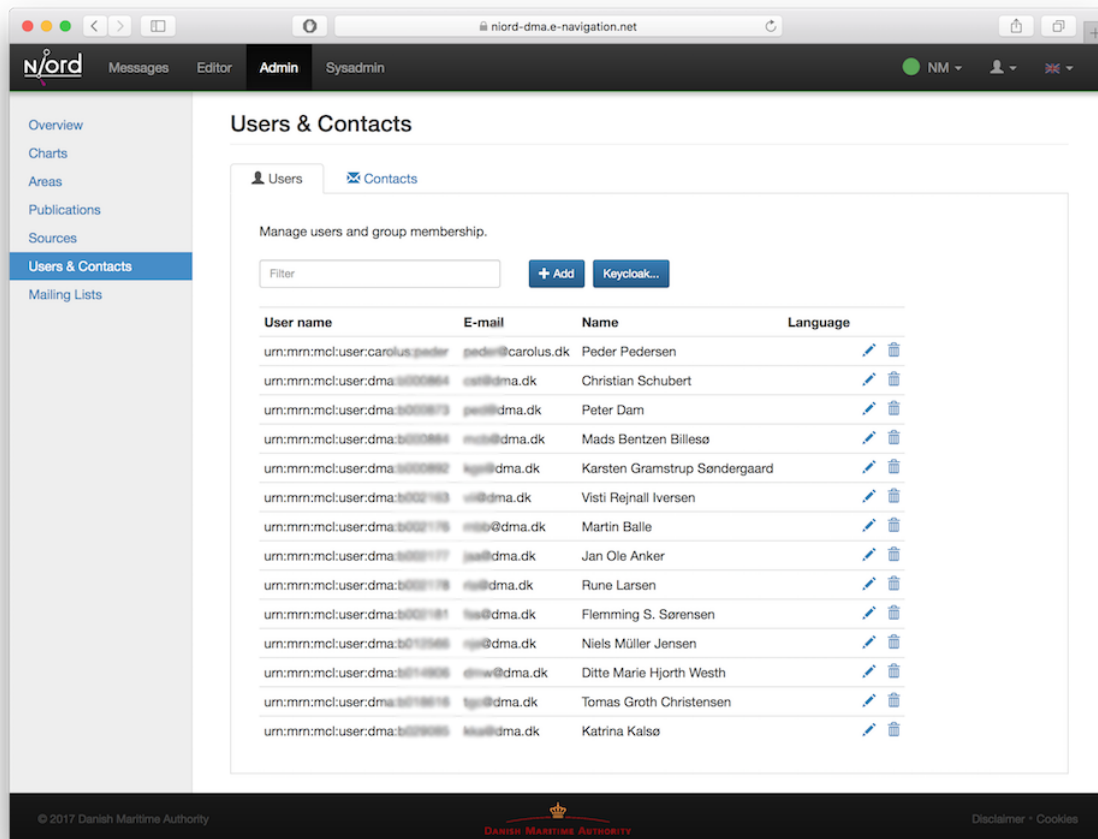
```
[
  {
    "active": true,
    "descs": [
      {
        "lang": "da",
        "name": "Arktisk Kommando",
        "abbreviation": "AKO"
      },
      {
        "lang": "en",
        "name": "Joint Arctic Command",
        "abbreviation": "JACMD "
      }
    ]
  },
  ...
]
```

Importing a source JSON file will trigger the *source-import* batch job. Batch jobs can be monitored and managed by system administrators.

As an alternative to manually uploading a source JSON file on the *Sources* page, the file can be copied to the *\$NIORD_HOME/batch-jobs/sources-import/in* folder.

Chapter 8. Users & Contacts

The *Users & Contacts* page allows administrators to manage users and contacts in the Niord system.



The main difference between *users* and *contacts* is that users can actually log in and work in Niord, whereas contacts are solely maintained in Niord as recipients of mailing lists.

8.1. Users Tab

The *Users* tab can be used to add and manage users, and, in particular, assign users to the proper user groups to grant them various levels of access in the different domains of Niord.

The list of users can be filtered by typing a term in the *Filter* input field above the user list, which will be matched against the users' name and e-mail address.

8.1.1. Adding or Editing a User

Depending on how Niord has been configured, some types of users should not be added manually in Niord, but are created automatically via integration with other identity registries.

For instance, in the set-up used by the Danish Maritime Authority (DMA), Niord is integrated with the *DMA Active Directory Federation Service*, and hence, the first time a DMA employee clicks the "DMA" link on the log-in page and logs in using her usual work credentials, she will automatically be created as a user in Niord.

However, the new user still needs to be assigned proper user roles by a Niord administrator, and the administrator must also create users that are not employees as described next.

An administrator can add a new user by clicking the "Add" button, or edit an existing user by clicking the pencil symbol next to the user.

This will open the *User Details Panel*:

The screenshot shows the 'User Details Panel' for a user named 'Peder'. The panel is divided into sections: 'Username' (urn:mnn:mcl:user:carolus:peder), 'E-mail' (peder@carolus.dk), 'Name' (Peder, Pedersen), 'Password' (Password), and 'Preferred Language' (da). Below these fields are three checkboxes: 'Update Profile', 'Update Password', and 'Update E-mail'. At the bottom, there are 'Cancel' and 'Save' buttons.

The user attributes that can be edited are as follows:

User Attribute	Description
Username	A user must have a unique user name, that they can use when logging in.
E-mail	A user must have a unique e-mail address.
Name	The name of the user.
Password	The user password.
Preferred Language	The preferred language is used in the mails sent out via mailing lists.
Update Profile	If the <i>Update Profile</i> flag is checked, the user will be asked to revise and update their user profile upon next log-in.
Update Password	If the <i>Update Password</i> flag is checked, the user will be asked to update their password upon next log-in.
Update E-mail	If the <i>Update E-mail</i> flag is checked, the user will be asked to update their e-mail address upon next log-in.

8.1.2. Managing User Group Membership

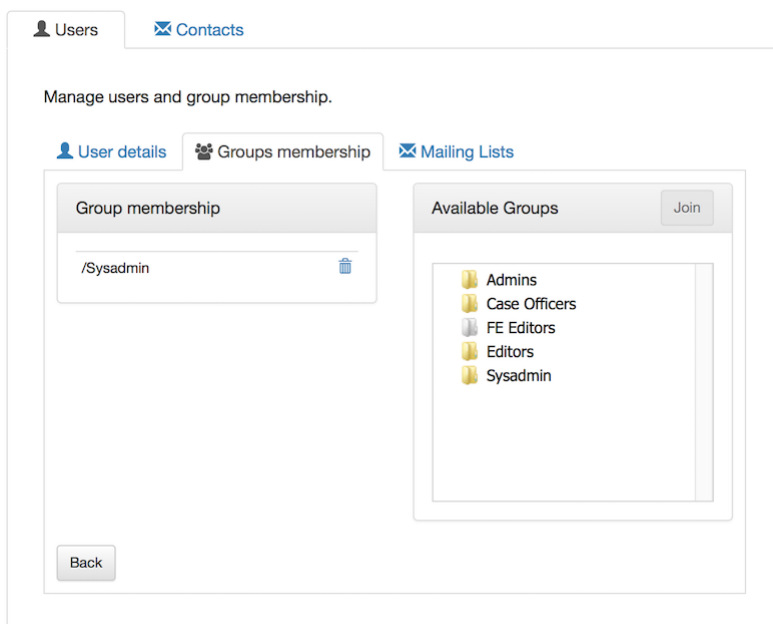
As described in the [Administrators Manual](#) chapter, all users have different roles in different domains. The available roles are *User*, *Editor*, *Admin* and *Sysadmin*; and with a good handful of domains in Niord, this leaves *a lot* of user-role relationships to maintain.

To simplify user management, Niord instead let administrators assign users to *user groups*, where each user group in turn defines a set of roles for all domains.

The configuration of user groups is handled by system administrators, and will seldom change. At the Danish Maritime Authority, the following user groups are defined, at the time of writing:

- *Sysadmin*: Members of the "Sysadmin" user group will have the *Sysadmin* role in all domains.
- *Admins*: Members of the "Admins" user group will have the *Admin* role in all domains.
- *Editors*: Members of the "Editor" user group will have the *Editor* role in the "NW", "NM", "Firing Areas", "NM Almanac", "NM Annex" and "NW Greenland" domains.
- *Case Officers*: Members of the "Case Officers" user group will have the *User* role the "NW", "NM", "Firing Areas", "NM Almanac", "NM Annex" and "NW Greenland" domains.
- *FE Editors*: Members of the "FE Editors" user group will have the *Editor* role in the "Firing Areas" domain.

The place to manage group membership for a user is the *Group Membership* tab of the *User Details Panel*.



The "Group Membership" panel at the left side will list all user groups that the user is currently member of. The administrator can click the trash icon to remove the user from a group.

The available user groups are in the "Available Groups" panel at the right side. The administrator can select a group and click the "Join" button to make the user member of the selected group.

Note however, that some of the available groups may be disabled (gray), and thus, cannot be selected. This is because the administrator may not have access-rights to assign members to those

groups. For instance, an administrator that is herself member of the "Admins" group, should never be allowed to assign anybody (including herself) to the "Sysadmin" group. Similarly, the selectable user groups may depend on the currently selected domain, since the administrator may be the administrator in the current domain, but not in the domain that a user groups would give access rights to.

8.1.3. Managing User Mailing Lists

User detailsGroups membershipMailing Lists

ID	Name	Description	
<input type="checkbox"/> audio-broadcast	Navigational Warnings for Voice Broadcast	Navigational Warnings and Firing Exercises for voice broadcast on Danish Radio	Join
<input type="checkbox"/> navtex-baltico	NAVTEX Baltico	Mailing list of NAVTEX Baltico	Join
<input type="checkbox"/> navtex-rogaland	NAVTEX Rogaland	Mailing list of NAVTEX Rogaland	Join
<input type="checkbox"/> navwarn-overview	Active coastal warnings	List of active Danish coastal warnings	Join
<input type="checkbox"/> navwarn-update	Navwarn updates	Mailing list for Danish coastal warnings	Join

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An administrator can also manage the mailing lists for a user via the *Mailing Lists* tab of the *User Details Panel*.

For each available mailing list, the administrator can either click the "Join" button to add the user as a recipient, or click the "Leave" button to remove the user as a recipient.

8.1.4. Deleting a User

A user can be deleted by clicking the trash icon next to the user in the user list. However, this will only work if the user has no *revision history*, that is, has never created or edited messages or comments.

If the user does have a revision history, the administrator can instead reset the users password and remove the user from all user groups.

8.2. Contacts Tab

Users

Contacts

Manage contacts, which may e.g. be used in mailing lists.
Displaying 20 of 3280 contacts matching search criteria.

+ Add

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E-mail	Name	Language		
thomas.ohland@mail.dk		🇩🇰		
thomas.sonne-schmidt@import.com				
thomas.truedsson@comhem.se		🇸🇪		
thomas.vedel@mail.dk		🇩🇰		
thomas@tilfamilien.dk		🇩🇰		
thomas@troeggen.dk		🇩🇰		
thomas@compusoft.dk		🇩🇰		
thomas@holby.dk		🇩🇰		
thomas@mhjorth.dk		🇩🇰		
thomas@nolimitsdiving.dk		🇩🇰		
thomashooge@hotmail.com		🇬🇧		
thomaskrunker@man.com				
thomasmn@mail.dk		🇩🇰		
thomasopperlaender@gmail.com		🇬🇧		
thomasuhr@dadnet.dk		🇩🇰		
thommyb@me.com				
thomsen333@hotmail.com				
thomsen@lizard.dk		🇩🇰		
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The *Contacts* tab can be used to add and manage contacts.

The list of contacts may be long and is thus divided into pages of 20 contacts. The pages can be navigated using the pagination controls below the contact list.

Furthermore, the contacts can be filtered by typing a term in the *Filter* input field above the contact list, which will be matched against the contacts' name and e-mail address.

8.2.1. Adding or Editing a Contact

An administrator can add a new contact by clicking the "Add" button, or edit an existing contact by clicking the pencil symbol next to the contact.

This will open the *Contact Details Panel*:

Contact details

Mailing Lists

E-mail

peder280370@yahoo.dk

Name

Peder

Pedersen

Preferred Language

en

Cancel

Save

The contact attributes that can be edited are as follows:

Contact Attribute	Description
E-mail	A contact must have a unique e-mail address.
Name	The name of the contact.
Preferred Language	The preferred language is used in the mails sent out via mailing lists.

8.2.2. Managing Contact Mailing Lists

Users

Contacts

Manage contacts, which may e.g. be used in mailing lists.

Displaying 1 of 1 contacts matching search criteria.

Contact details

Mailing Lists

ID	Name	Description	
<input type="checkbox"/> audio-broadcast	Navigational Warnings for Voice Broadcast	Navigational Warnings and Firing Exercises for voice broadcast on Danish Radio	Join
<input type="checkbox"/> navtex-baltico	NAVTEX Baltico	Mailing list of NAVTEX Baltico	Join
<input type="checkbox"/> navtex-rogaland	NAVTEX Rogaland	Mailing list of NAVTEX Rogaland	Join
<input type="checkbox"/> navwarn-overview	Active coastal warnings	List of active Danish coastal warnings	Join
<input type="checkbox"/> navwarn-update	Navwarn updates	Mailing list for Danish coastal warnings	Join

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An administrator can also manage the mailing lists for a contact via the *Mailing Lists* tab of the *Contact Details Panel*.

For each available mailing list, the administrator can either click the "Join" button to add the contact as a recipient, or click the "Leave" button to remove the contact as a recipient.

8.2.3. Deleting a Contact

A contact can be deleted by clicking the trash icon next to the contact in the contact list.

8.3. Importing and Exporting Contacts

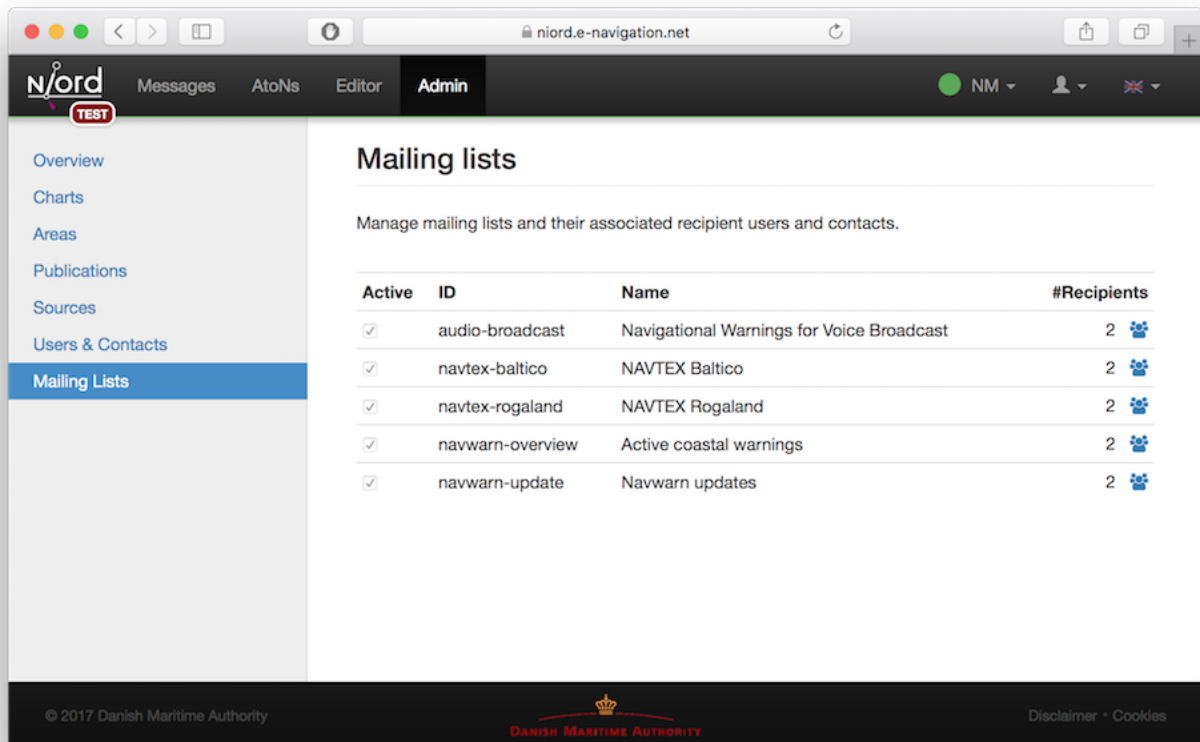
The administrator can export and import contacts from the action menu above the contact list.

Enacting the *Export* function will generate a text file in a comma-separated format with fields for e-mail, first name, last name and preferred language.

Enacting the *Import* function, will prompt the administrator to type a comma-, semicolon- or newline-separated list of e-mail addresses into a text-field, and import these contacts. Existing e-mail addresses will be ignored. The newly imported contacts should - in time - be updated with proper names and preferred language selection.

Chapter 9. Mailing Lists

The *Mailing Lists* page allows an administrator to manage the recipients of the mailing lists.



The *Mailing Lists* page has a lot more functionality for *system administrators*, who can create and manage the mailing lists, define the *triggers* that cause mailing lists to execute, and create the reports that generate the actual mail contents. This is detailed in the [Mailing Lists](#) chapter of the system administration manual, whereas this chapter only details the functionality for normal administrators.

9.1. Manage Mailing List Recipients

The administrator manages the recipients of a mailing list by clicking the recipient icon next to the mailing list.

This will open the mailing list *Recipients Panel*:

Users 3

Contacts 0

Selected

E-mail	Name	
car@dms.dk	Christian Schubert	Remove
peter@carolus.dk	Peder Pedersen	Remove
vi@dms.dk	Visti Rejnall Iversen	Remove

Unselected

E-mail	Name	
lee@dms.dk	Flemming S. Sørensen	+ Add
jan@dms.dk	Jan Ole Anker	+ Add
aga@dms.dk	Karsten Gramstrup Sendergaard	+ Add
kia@dms.dk	Katrina Kaise	+ Add
mi@dms.dk	Martin Balle	+ Add
mad@dms.dk	Mads Bentzen Billese	+ Add
nye@dms.dk	Niels Müller Jensen	+ Add
per@dms.dk	Peter Dam	+ Add

There are two main types of recipients; *users* and *contacts*. The two tabs look identical, except that the former is for managing the users that should be mailing list recipients, and the latter is for managing the contacts that should be mailing list recipients. Hence, only the *Users* tab is detailed in this section.

The "Selected" panel in the left side displays the list of users currently assigned to the mailing list. The "Unselected" panel in the right side displays all remaining users.

Users can be removed from the selection by clicking the "Remove" link next to them. Similarly, they can be added to the selection by clicking "Add". Clicking "Remove All" will clear the selection, whereas clicking "Add All" will select all users.

The lists of users in both panels can be filtered by typing a term into the "Filter" input field, which will be matched against a users' name and e-mails address.

No changes the list of recipient users is persisted until the "Save User Selection" button is clicked. Clicking "Cancel" will discard all changes and return to the main mailing list page.