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**National standardization: office treatment of names**

### Activities on naming of marine geographical features in the Republic of Korea

#### Summary\*\*

Since the establishment of the Korean Committee on Marine Geographical Names in 2002 and its subsequent incorporation into the Korea Committee on Geographical Names in 2010, a total of 671 marine geographical names (469 maritime feature names and 202 undersea feature names) have been approved for official use in the Republic of Korea. Since 2007, 35 of the undersea feature names proposed by the Korea Committee on Geographical Names have been approved by the Subcommittee on Undersea Feature Names of the General Bathymetric Chart of the Oceans. In addition, the Korea Hydrographic and Oceanographic Administration has organized international symposiums on the application of marine geophysical data and undersea feature names for experts to share and discuss their research, and has been supporting the participation of developing countries in the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names since 2011. It plans to investigate new marine geographical names and standardize them.

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\*\* The full report was prepared by the Korea Hydrographic and Oceanographic Administration of the Ministry of Land, Transport and Maritime Affairs and is available in the language of submission only from <http://unstats.un.org/unsd/geoinfo/UNGEGN/ungegnConf10.html>.

