
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Virgin Islands (Territorial Sea) Order 2007

5. In the case of the sea adjacent to a bay, the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea is measured shall—

- (a) if the bay has only one mouth and the distance between the low-water lines of the natural entrance points of the bay does not exceed 24 nautical miles, be a straight line joining the said low-water lines;
- (b) if, because of the presence of islands, the bay has more than one mouth and the distances between the low-water lines of the natural entrance points of each mouth added together do not exceed 24 nautical miles, be a series of straight lines across each of the mouths drawn so as to join the said low-water lines;
- (c) if neither paragraph (a) nor (b) of this article applies, be a straight line 24 nautical miles in length drawn from low-water line to low-water line within the bay in such manner as to enclose the maximum area of water that is possible with a line of that length.