



Freak waves in 2006

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Information about freak events in the ocean reported in 2006 is collected and analysed. More than fifty events of freak waves are mentioned. They are occurred in various areas of the World Ocean (the Pacific Ocean, the Atlantic Ocean, the Indian Ocean and the Mediterranean Sea). About twenty of them correspond to the open sea, while thirty others - occurred nearshore. The latter accidents are related with unexpected wave impact upon the coast and shore constructions or sudden intensive flooding of the coast. Data of observations of the rogue waves in 2005 and 2006 are compared.