

# Marine Notice No. 26 of 2022

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Notice to all Shipowners, Fishing Vessel Owners, Agents, Shipmasters, Skippers, Fishers, Yachtsmen and Seafarers

# Clogherhead Offshore Wind Farm Surveys Off the Coast of Co. Louth

## 1. Notice of Activity

The Department of Transport has been advised that Alpha Marine will undertake a geophysical survey campaign in relation to the Clogherhead Offshore Wind Farm off the coast of Co. Louth from **25 May 2022** to **27 July 2022**. Please note the start date and the duration of the activity is dependent on weather and work progress.

# 2. Location of Activity

The locations of the survey works are as follows:

Location	Latitude	Longitude
1	53° 49.675' N	006° 15.619' W
2	53° 49.709' N	006° 15.471' W
3	53° 51.311' N	006° 8.428' W
4	53° 53.127' N	006° 6.947' W
5	53° 51.933' N	006° 3.223' W
6	53° 55.214' N	006° 1.158' W
7	53° 57.060' N	006° 2.130' W
8	53° 57.092' N	006° 3.456' W
9	53° 58.494' N	006° 1.884' W
10	53° 52.488' N	005° 50.709' W
11	53° 50.518' N	005° 53.697' W
12	53° 46.754' N	005° 52.964' W
13	53° 46.580' N	005° 51.721' W
14	53° 44.546' N	005° 52.467' W
15	53° 44.545' N	005° 58.525' W
16	53° 44.971' N	005° 59.441' W
17	53° 47.791' N	006° 5.515' W
18	53° 47.923' N	006° 5.799' W
19	53° 44.699' N	006° 15.027' W

Further information on the survey area is available in Appendix 1.

## 3. Details of the Survey Vessel

The survey will be conducted by the 'Baltic Explorer' (Callsign: LYBW). The vessel will display appropriate lights and signals. The survey will utilise multibeam echosounders, subbottom profilers, side-scan sonars, magnetometers, and ultra-high-resolution survey equipment. Geophysical equipment will be both hull-mounted and towed. Typically, the towed cable lengths will be about four times the water depth while acquiring survey data. The work will be conducted during 24 hr operations. Mariners are advised to keep continuous watch on VHF radio channel 16 when navigating the area.

All vessels operating within this area are requested to keep their distance and pass at minimum speed to reduce vessel wash.

## 4. Contact Details

Enquiries regarding the contents of this Marine Notice, or any other matters, should be directed to:

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All mariners are reminded of their responsibilities under the **International Collision Regulations** and are reminded of <u>Marine Notice No. 17 of 2007</u>, which gives general advice in relation to the activities of vessels engaged in survey work for hydrographic, seismic, fishing research and underwater operations.

The International Regulations for Prevention of Collisions at Sea (COLREGS) are implemented in Irish law by the *Merchant Shipping (Collision Regulations) (Ships and Water Craft on the Water) Order 2012* [S.I. No. 507 of 2012] and the *Signals of Distress (Ships) Rules 2012* [S.I. No.170 of 2012]. See Marine Notice No. 06 of 2013. These Statutory Instruments may be purchased by mail order from Government Publications, Office of Public Works, 52 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin 2. Tel: (01) 6476834/1890-213434. They are also available online at: <a href="https://www.irishstatutebook.ie">www.irishstatutebook.ie</a>.

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Irish Maritime Administration, Department of Transport, Leeson Lane, Dublin 2, D02 TR60, Ireland.

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Encl: Appendix 1. Clogherhead Offshore Wind Farm Surveys Area

For any technical assistance in relation to this Marine Notice, please contact:

The Marine Survey Office, email: <a href="MSO@transport.gov.ie">MSO@transport.gov.ie</a>

For general enquiries, please contact the Maritime Safety Policy Division, email:

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