

Marine Notice No. 28 of 2024

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

Dublin Array Project Sites - Geotechnical Investigations

1. Notice of Activity

The Department of Transport has been advised that Kish Offshore Wind Ltd and Bray Offshore Wind Ltd will conduct site investigation operations and geotechnical surveys on the Dublin Array project site and associated Export Corridor Route (ECR) off the coast of counties Dublin and Wicklow. These operations will commence on **01 June 2024** and continue through to **late June 2024**, subject to weather and operational constraints.

2. Location of Activity

The geotechnical drilling operations will be carried out in the nearshore area of the ECR, off the coast of counties Dublin and Wicklow. The co-ordinates for each location are set out in the table below and the locations can be found in the map attached at the Appendix to this notice.

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Latitude	Longitude
53° 14' 55.136" N	006° 06' 44.577" W
53° 15' 07.833" N	006° 05' 22.430" W
53° 13' 52.343" N	006° 05' 20.414" W
53° 14' 13.685" N	006° 06' 38.354" W
53° 14' 32.859" N	006° 06' 43.510" W

3. Details of the Survey Vessel

The geotechnical survey operations will be carried out by the jackup vessel "Sandpiper" (Call sign: V3UA). The vessel will be mobilised from Dun Laoghaire. It will be manoeuvred using the tug "Liftmoor" (Call sign: MAZE8). A small Crew Transfer Vessel (CTV) "Catalina" will be used for crew transfers during operations. The Sandpiper will carry out 24-hour operations. During the operations, it will survey at fixed stations and will be unable to manoeuvre. Therefore, all vessels operating within the planned area of survey are requested to keep a wide berth around the vessel wherever possible. The Sandpiper is supplied with a

VHF multi-channel radio and mobile phone. It will display relevant lights and shapes as required under COLREGS.

4. Contact Details

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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. 50 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, Mountshannon Road, Dublin, D08 XA06 Tel: (046) 9423100. They are also available online at: www.irishstatutebook.ie.

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Encl: Appendix: Map showing the maximum survey boundaries.

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

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

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Appendix: Map showing the maximum survey boundaries

