

Marine Notice No. 20 of 2024

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

Celtic Interconnector Project: Survey - Ireland

1. Notice of Activity

The Department of Transport has been notified by JD-Contractor that they will be performing out of service cutting and route clearance works on behalf of Nexans for CIDAC as part of the Celtic Interconnector Project. The works will be located at various points along the planned route between the southeast coast of Ireland and the northern coast of France. The works will begin on 17 May 2024 and will continue for approximately 10 days, subject to weather and operational constraints.

2. Location of Activity

The out of service (OOS) cable cutting operations will be conducted within the cable corridor extending +/-50m each side of planned cable centreline. The relevant waypoints within the Irish Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) waters are provided in the Table below. Further details can be found in the maps set out in the Appendix to this Notice.

Table: OOS Cable Positions in Irish EEZ Waters

Location ID	Latitude	Longitude
M105	50°47.14353'N	-007°22.58690'W
CANTAT 2 (M102)	50°49.32594'N	-007°23.70675'W
Waterville-Weston No 1	50°52.81740'N	-007°25.36117'W
PTAT seg E5	51°06.18747'N	-007°32.44438'W
Gemini North	51°09.67135"N	-007°34.30023'W
Waterville-Weston No 2	51°12.46894'N	-007°36.52504'W
Waterville-Weston No 3	51°18.40797'N	-007°38.96252'W

3. Details of the Survey Vessels

The works will be conducted by the vessel "M/V Detector" (Call Sign: OUIV2), which will display the relevant lights and shapes during periods of restricted manoeuvrability and adhere to the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea (COLREGS) and all licencing requirements. During OOS cutting operations, the vessel will keep a listening watch on VHF channel 16 and will actively transmit an AIS signal. A listening watch will also be maintained on VTS VHF Channels as appropriate. The vessel will broadcast daily, and at shorter intervals as may be required by passing traffic, the vessel position, operational information, and planned operations for the next twenty-four hours.

4. Contact Details

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All mariners are reminded of their responsibilities under the **International Collision Regulations** and 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, Mountshannon Road, Dublin, D08 XA06 Tel: (046) 9423100. They are also available online at: www.irishstatutebook.ie.

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Encl: Appendix: Maps of Celtic Interconnector and Operations in Irish EEZ Waters

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Appendix: Maps of Celtic Interconnector Route and Operations in Irish EEZ Waters

Map 1: Celtic Interconnector Route



Map 2: Operations in Irish EEZ Waters

