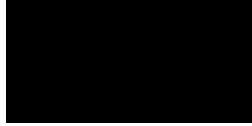


Department of Defence
Defence Forces Headquarters



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By email only:



Date: 25/07/2025

Notice in accordance with section 117(6)(a) of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021

Re: Department of Defence - Maritime Usage Licence Application Reference: MUL230029

Dear



I refer to the above referenced maritime usage licence application received by the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (MARA) on 14/05/2024

On 24/07/2025 a determination was made by MARA, following screening under Regulation 42 of the *European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 (S.I. 477 of 2011)* that an appropriate assessment is required to be carried out in respect of the proposed maritime usage the subject of this application.

The Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination is available on the MARA website at the following link: <https://www.maritimeregulator.ie/applications/mul230029/>

For the purpose of the Appropriate Assessment, you are required to prepare a **Natura Impact Statement** in relation to the proposed maritime usage the subject of the licence application and submit it to MARA by **19/09/2025**.

Where you fail to submit the Natura Impact Statement by this date (or any extension to this date permitted by MARA for good and sufficient reason), this maritime usage licence application shall be deemed to be withdrawn in accordance with Section 117(8) of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021.

Please direct any queries to licence@mara.gov.ie.

Yours faithfully,

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