

**Maritime Usage Licence (MUL)**

**Application for Material Amendment (Form MUL2)**

**Important information:**

Applicants are strongly advised to read the “Guidance Note for Applicants applying for a Maritime Usage Licence” before completing this application.

The application form and supporting documentation, including confirmation of payment of fee, must be submitted to licence@mara.gov.ie.

Complete this form using the free text and tick boxes provided, free text boxes will expand as required. Responses should, in so far as is possible, clearly and concisely address the information requested in these boxes. Where appropriate, supporting documentation may be submitted for assessment, providing that any information relevant to the application is clearly referenced in the application form.

Before completing this form, the declaration and consent at the end of the application form should be read.

**Application Fee:**
An application fee of EUR €1,000 applies for the material amendment of a Maritime Usage Licence (MUL).

The application fee must be paid by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) to the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (MARA).

MARA bank account details are provided upon request by email to licence@mara.gov.ie

Proof of application fee payment /confirmation of funds transfer must be provided with the application documentation.

Complete application documentation and fee must be submitted to licence@mara.gov.ie.

**Privacy Policy:**

MARA may require applicants to provide certain personal data in order to carry out its legislative and administrative functions. MARA will treat all personal data that an applicant provides in accordance with MARA’s obligations under data protection legislation, including the Data Protection Act 2018 and the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). A Privacy Statement explaining how MARA, as the Data Controller, will process the personal data the applicant provides, how that information will be used and what rights the applicant may exercise in relation to its personal data, is available in this link: [Privacy Policy - MARA - The Maritime Regulator](https://www.maritimeregulator.ie/privacy/).

**Freedom of Information/Access to Information on the Environment**

MARA is a public body for the purposes of the Freedom of Information Act 2014, as amended (the “FOI Act”) and is also subject to the European Communities (Access to Information on the Environment) Regulations 2007-2018 (the “AIE Regulations”) and MARA may be required to disclose information and records provided by the applicant in response to a request made under the FOI Act and/or the AIE Regulations, subject to applicable exemptions. Where the applicant considers that any information supplied to MARA is commercially sensitive, confidential or otherwise exempt from disclosure under the FOI Act or the AIE Regulations, the applicant must clearly identify such information at the time. Notwithstanding this, the final decision on disclosure rests with MARA, in accordance with the applicable legislation. The applicant must, upon reasonable request and within a reasonable timeframe, provide all necessary assistance and cooperation to MARA in connection with any request for information made under the FOI Act and/or AIE Regulations.

**Confidential/Commercially Sensitive Information**

Applicants are asked to consider if any of the information supplied by them in their application to MARA is commercially sensitive and/or confidential. The applicant should clearly identify and separate the specific sections of their application containing such information. The applicant should specify the reasons for its confidentiality/sensitivity with regard to the FOI Act and/or AIE Regulations.

**Form MUL2 – MUL Application for Material Amendment in accordance with**

**Section 125 of The MAP Act**

**Part 1 Applicant Details**

* 1. Applicant Details

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| The name and address should be of the legal or natural person that is to be the MUL Holder. This information would be recorded on the MUL.  |
| Name of Applicant  |  |
| Company/Organisation (ifApplicable) |  |
| Applicant Address: Where a legal person would be the Holder of the MUL, these details must be as currently listed in the Companies Registration Office. Where a non-profit entity, which is a registered charity, would be the Holder of the MUL, these details must be as currently listed in the Register of Charitable Organisations. |
| Address line 1 |  |
| Address line 2 |  |
| Address line 3 |  |
| City/Town |  |
| Eircode |  |
| Applicant Email Address |  |
| If the Applicant is a legal person, Company Registration Office Number.A copy of the Certificate of Incorporation (certified copy provided by CRO) and a list of Directors must be provided as Attachment 1.1. |  |
| If the Applicant is a non-profit entity, which is a registered charity, the Registered Charity Number  |  |

Attachment 1.1 included (if required).

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Not Applicable [ ]  |

* 1. Authorised Contact Person for MUL Material Amendment Application.

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| The Authorised Contact Person for the MUL Material Amendment Application will be the person that MARA will contact in relation to any aspect of the Material Amendment Application. The Authorised Contact Person can be a person within the Applicant Organisation or a person (agent) nominated by the Applicant |
| Authorised Contact Name |  |
| Authorised Contact Position |  |
| Email |  |
| Telephone |  |

* 1. If MARA provided a statutory declaration under Section 115 of the MAP Act as to whether or not a MUL was required for the proposed usage, provide the reference number associated with that declaration.

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**Part 2 Outline of Proposed Material Amendment(s)**

* 1. Reference number of the existing MUL to which material amendment is sought.

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* 1. Material amendment(s)
1. Outline all relevant material amendment(s) proposed for the existing MUL. Additional information can be provided in Attachment 2.2.

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1. Attachment 2.2 included.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Not Applicable [ ]  |

* 1. Describe the purpose of proposed amendments to the MUL with reference to the classes of usage in Schedule 7 of the MAP Act.

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* 1. Amendment(s) to the Duration of the MUL
1. Indicate proposed amendments to the overall MUL duration.

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1. Indicate proposed amendments to the duration of any individual activities included in the overall activity.

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1. Give reasons for the proposed amendments to the durations.

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1. Indicate any seasonal, vessel or other schedule constraints.

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1. Additional information can be provided in Attachment 2.4. Attachment 2.4 included.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Not Applicable [ ]  |

* 1. Describe proposed amendments to the area of the Maritime Usage
1. State the total size of the Maritime Area (in m2, ha or km2, as appropriate), which is the subject of the application.

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1. Attach map, titled ‘Proposed MUL Map’ and GIS Shapefiles outlining the proposed Maritime Area(s). If the application relates to more than one area, each area should be labelled on the accompanying maps/drawings and its area provided. The map(s)/drawing(s) should be included as Attachment 2.5.

Map(s)/GIS Shapefiles must comply with ‘MARA Technical Mapping Guidance Notes for MAC/MUL Applications in the Maritime Area under the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 (MAPA)’.

List the attached map/drawing number(s) and map/drawing name(s) in the space below.

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1. Attachment 2.5 included.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Not Applicable [ ]  |

* 1. Describe proposed amendments to the location of Maritime Usage

1. Provide the distance in kilometres and direction of the main body of the proposed Maritime Usage area from the shore at its closest point.

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1. Attach map(s)/drawing(s) showing the location of the proposed Maritime Usage. The attached map/drawing number(s) and map/drawing name(s) should also be listed in the space below. The map(s)/drawing(s) should be included as Attachment 2.6.

Map(s)/GIS Shapefiles must comply with ‘MARA Technical Mapping Guidance Notes for MAC/MUL Applications in the Maritime Area under the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 (MAPA)’.

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1. Attachment 2.6 included.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Not Applicable [ ]  |

* 1. Ownership
1. Are proposed amendments to any part of the Licensed Area in private ownership?

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  |

1. If yes, indicate on a drawing/map the area concerned in relation to the proposed maritime usage area and provide a letter confirming that the Applicant has obtained all necessary consents from the relevant owner(s).
2. Is the Applicant aware of any actual or claimed legal rights or interests held by third parties in the proposed site that may be affected by the proposed amendments to the Licensed Area?

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  |

1. If yes, indicate on a drawing/map the area concerned in relation to the proposed maritime usage area and provide a letter confirming that the Applicant has obtained all necessary consents from the relevant owner(s) of such legal rights or interests.
2. The letter(s) and drawing(s)/map(s) referred to above in subsections B and D should be included as Attachment 2.7. List the attached letters, map/drawing number(s) and map/drawing name(s) in the space below.

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1. Attachment 2.7 included.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Not Applicable [ ]  |

* 1. Existing Foreshore Authorisations
1. Provide the reference number and title of any existing Foreshore Authorisations you may hold, or have a current application for, within, or otherwise in the vicinity of the proposed Maritime Usage.

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1. Do you intend to surrender any existing Foreshore Authorisations for any maritime usage other than that granted by the foreshore authorisation?

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  |

1. If yes, provide description of the existing Foreshore Authorisations authorised usage. If necessary, provide additional information in Attachment 2.8.

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1. Attachment 2.8 included.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Not Applicable [ ]  |

* 1. Other authorisations or consents
1. Provide the reference number, a brief description and the status (e.g. application made or authorisation/consent granted) of any other authorisations or consents in the footprint, or otherwise in the vicinity of the proposed amendments to the Maritime Usage area, held by the applicant. If necessary, provide additional information as Attachment 2.9.

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1. Attachment 2.9 included.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Not Applicable [ ]  |

* 1. Planning permission and/or other authorisation(s)
1. Do the proposed amendments require planning permission and/or other authorisation(s), or is it ancillary to or part of to a proposed development which requires planning permission and/or other authorisation(s)?

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  |

1. If yes, what is the status of the planning and/or other authorisation(s)? If applicable, provide a brief description of the proposed development, to which the proposed amendment to the Maritime Usage is ancillary. Provide the file reference number(s) and link(s) to the websites where information on the planning and/or other authorisation application(s) and/or planning permission/ authorisation(s) can be obtained.

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**Part 3 Marine Planning and Environmental Considerations**

**National Marine Planning Framework (NMPF)**

* 1. NMPF Objectives
1. Describe how the proposed amendment(s) to the Maritime Usage is consistent with the objectives of the NMPF. Provide sufficient information addressing the consistency of the proposed amendments to the Maritime Usage with the objectives of the NMPF. This information should be provided as Attachment 3.1.
2. Attachment 3.1 included.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  |

* 1. Designated Marine Area Plan
1. Is the proposed amendment to the Maritime Usage located in an area for which a Designated Marine Area Plan has been published?

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  |

1. If yes, indicate if this proposed amendment to the Maritime Usage is consistent with the Designated Marine Area Plan. Additional information can be provided as Attachment 3.2.

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1. Attachment 3.2 included.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Not Applicable [ ]  |

**Habitats and Birds Directives**

* 1. Report for Appropriate Assessment Screening
1. Is the proposed amendment to the Maritime Usage directly connected with or necessary to the management of a European site?

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  |

1. If not, provide an Appropriate Assessment screening report to provide sufficient information for MARA to undertake screening to determine if an Appropriate Assessment is required of the implications of the proposed amendment to the Maritime Usage alone, or in combination with other plans or projects, for any relevant European site, in view of the site's conservation objectives.

If the Applicant has already determined that it is likely that an Appropriate Assessment will be required and have prepared an NIS, it may be submitted.

The Appropriate Assessment screening report and/or NIS must be prepared by a suitably qualified person, and a summary of the person’s qualifications and experience must be included in the report/NIS.

The Appropriate Assessment screening report or NIS should be provided as Attachment 3.3.

1. Attachment 3.3 included.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  |

* 1. Risk Assessment for Annex IV Species
1. Do species listed in Annex IV of the Habitats Directive occur in the zone of influence of the proposed amendment to the Maritime Usage?

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  |

1. If yes, the Applicant should provide an assessment of the risk posed to such species by the proposed amendment to the Maritime Usage. The Risk Assessment for Annex IV Species report must be prepared by a suitably qualified person, and a summary of the person’s qualifications and experience must be included in the report.

The Risk Assessment for Annex IV Species report should be provided as Attachment 3.4.

1. Attachment 3.4 included.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  |

**Water Framework Directive**

* 1. Provide sufficient information addressing the consistency of the proposed amendment to the Maritime Usage with the objectives of the Water Framework Directive. This information should be provided as Attachment 3.5.

Attachment 3.5 included.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  |

**Marine Strategy Framework Directive**

* 1. Provide sufficient information addressing the consistency of the proposed amendment to the Maritime Usage with the objectives of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive. is information should be provided as Attachment 3.6.

Attachment 3.6 included.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  |

**Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Directive**

* 1. EIA Screening
1. With reference to Parts 1 and 2 of Schedule 5 of the Planning and Development Regulations, S.I. 600 of 2001, as amended confirm that the proposed amendment to the activity:
	1. Is not of a class listed, where no quantity, area or other limit is specified in that Part, or
	2. Does not either equal or exceed, any relevant quantity, area or other limit specified for a class listed in that Part.

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| Yes – is not of a class/does not equal or exceed a threshold  | [ ]   |
| No – is of a class/equals or exceeds a threshold | [ ]  |

1. If yes, confirm if the activity is of a class listed in Part 2 of Schedule 5 of the Planning and Development Regulations, S.I. 600 of 2001, as amended, but does not equal or exceed the relevant quantity.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  |

1. If yes to ‘3.7 B’, provide the information for EIA screening specified in Schedule 7A of the Planning and Development Regulations, S.I. 600 of 2001, as amended. The information specified in Schedule 7A should be provided as Attachment 3.7.

Attachment 3.7 included.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Not Applicable [ ]  |

**UN Convention on the Law of the Sea and the Maritime Jurisdiction Act**

* 1. Provide sufficient information addressing the consistency of the proposed amendment to the Maritime Usage with the Irish State’s obligations under the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea and the Maritime Jurisdiction Act.

Additional information can be provided as Attachment 3.8.

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Attachment 3.8 included.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Not Applicable [ ]  |

**Climate Action and Low Carbon Act of 2015, as amended**

* 1. Provide sufficient information addressing the consistency of the proposed amendment to the Maritime Usage with achieving the National Climate Objective, as defined in the Climate Action and Low Carbon Act of 2015, as amended.
	Additional information can be provided as Attachment 3.9.

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 Attachment 3.9 included.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  N/A [ ]  |

 **4th National Biodiversity Action Plan 2023 – 2030**

* 1. Provide sufficient information addressing the consistency of the proposed amendment to the Maritime Usage with the 4th National Biodiversity Action Plan 2023 – 2030. Additional information can be provided as Attachment 3.10.

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Attachment 3.10 included.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  N/A [ ]  |

**National or European Strategic or Policy Objectives**

* 1. Provide any additional relevant information with regard to the overall purpose of the proposed amendment to the maritime usage, with reference to, e.g. National or European strategic or policy objectives and national targets, and strategic research objectives. Additional information can be included as Attachment 3.11.

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Attachment 3.11 included.

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| Yes [ ]  No [ ]  N/A [ ]  |

**Declaration and Consent**

I declare that all information provided with this application, including this completed form and all attachments confirmed as included in the application checklist, is correct at the time of submission and that I will notify MARA of any changes to this information that may arise during the application process. MARA may, by notice in writing given to the applicant, require the applicant to provide in the specified form, by affidavit or otherwise, such additional information in relation to any matter to which the application relates as MARA reasonably considers necessary to assist it to determine the application.

By submitting this application form, I agree that certain details provided may be published on MARA’s website and that the information provided in this form will be processed and retained by MARA and may be shared with bodies appropriate to assessing aspects of this application in furtherance of consideration of the granting of a MUL in accordance with the MAP Act.

This consent relates to this application and to any further information provided by me, or on my behalf, for the purposes of this application.

Name of Signatory:

Position held:

Date:

Signed for and on behalf of the applicant:

**Application Checklist**

Complete the below application checklist



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| Section No. | Document | Required | Submitted  |
| Application Form |
| Part 1 | Applicant Details | Yes | [ ]  |
| Part 2 | Details of Maritime Usage | Yes | [ ]  |
| Part 3 | Marine Planning and Environmental Considerations | Yes | [ ]  |
| Declaration and Consent | Signed Declaration and Consent | Yes | [ ]  |
| Application Checklist | Application Checklist | Yes | [ ]  |
| Supporting Documentation |
| 1.1 | Attachment 1.1 – List of Directors | Yes (if applicable) | [ ]  |
| 2.2  | Attachment 2.2 – Details of material amendment(s) proposed to the existing MUL | Yes (if applicable) | [ ]  |
| 2.4 | Attachment 2.4 – MUL Duration | Yes (if applicable) | [ ]  |
| 2.5 | Attachment 2.5 – MUL Map and GIS Shapefiles  | Yes | [ ]  |
| 2.6 | Attachment 2.6 – Other Maps and Drawings | Yes | [ ]  |
| 2.7 | Attachment 2.7 – Private Ownership Details | Yes (if applicable) | [ ]  |
| 2.8 | Attachment 2.8 – Details of Foreshore Authorisation(s) | Yes (if applicable) | [ ]  |
| 2.9 | Attachment 2.9 – Details of Other Authorisation(s) | Yes (if applicable) | [ ]  |
| 3.1 | Attachment 3.1 – Compliance with Objectives of NMPF  | Yes  | [ ]  |
| 3.2  | Attachment 3.2 – Designated Marine Area Plan Compliance Details | Yes (if applicable) | [ ]  |
| 3.3  | Attachment 3.3 – Appropriate Assessment Screening Report and/or NIS | Yes  | [ ]  |
| 3.4 | Attachment 3.4 – Risk Assessment for Annex IV Species report | Yes  | [ ]  |
| 3.5 | Attachment 3.5 – Compliance with Objectives of the Water Framework Directive  | Yes | [ ]  |
| 3.6 | Attachment 3.6 – Compliance with Objectives of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive  | Yes  | [ ]  |
| 3.7 | Attachment 3.7 – Information for EIA screening | Yes (if applicable) | [ ]  |
| 3.8 | Attachment 3.8 – UN Convention on the Law of the Sea and the Maritime Jurisdiction Act Compliance Details | Yes (if applicable) | [ ]  |
| 3.9 | Attachment 3.9 – National Climate Objective Compliance Details | Yes (if applicable) | [ ]  |
| 3.10 | Attachment 3.10 – National Biodiversity Action Plan Compliance Details | Yes (if applicable) | [ ]  |
| 3.11 | Attachment 3.11 – National or European strategic or policy objectives Compliance Details | Yes (if applicable) | [ ]  |
| 0.0 | Confirmation of Payment of Fee  | Yes | [ ]  |



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