

Section 117(5)(a) of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021

Screening of Maritime Usage Licence application, in accordance with Section 117(5)(a), to determine whether Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is required, having regard to Schedules 5 and 7 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended.

Maritime Usage Licence Application Number:	MUL240048
Date of Application:	Application submitted to Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage on 30/09/2022 Transferred to MARA on 01/10/2024
Name of Applicant:	Uisce Éireann,
Type of Proposed Maritime Usage with reference to Schedule 7 of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021:	Schedule 7 (3) - Marine environmental surveys for the purposes of site investigation or in support of an application under Part XXI of the Act of 2000.
Brief Description of Proposed Maritime Usage:	Uisce Éireann aims to conduct a strategic modelling study of water currents within Cork Harbour and its environs via the deployment of nine (9) Acoustic Doppler Current Profilers (ADCPs).
	The data obtained from the surveys will inform the future design and installation requirements for critical wastewater treatment works in the Cork Harbour region.

Part A - Consideration of Schedule 5 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended

Question 1: Is the proposed maritime usage a project of a type listed in Schedule 5 Part 1, of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended?		
	Yes	EIA is required.
		Application should be returned to applicant in accordance with Section 117(5)(b) of Maritime Area Planning Act 2021.
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EIA Screening Conclusion

It is concluded that, having had regard to Schedule 5 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, in the context of the above referenced maritime usage licence application, that the proposed maritime usage does not fall within any of the project categories listed in Schedule 5 and therefore does not require an EIA or further EIA Screening consideration under Schedule 7.

Signature of Recommending Marine Analyst

Date: 12/09/2025

Maria O Connell
Marine Analyst

Signature of Decision Maker:

Date: 18/09/2025

Part B Consideration of Schedule 7 to the Planning & Development Regulations 2001, as amended.

<u>Characteristics</u>, location and the types & characteristics of the potential impacts of the proposed maritime usage comprising a project:

Not applicable