

From: Stephen Riordan (Transport)
Sent: Tuesday 21 October 2025 10:48
To: MARA Licence
Subject: RE: Request for Observations from Public Bodies MUL250010

1. Licence shall note the proposed licence area is located in the busy shipping channel. Survey operational Vessels deployed in supported of activity must comply with International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea at all times and Shannon Foynes Port Company Local Bye Laws.
2. Submarine gas pipeline exists at southern extent of planned survey area. Proposed survey activities must not interfere with submarine cables during deployment of equipment or bathymetry survey.
3. Designated Spoil Ground exists in the planned survey area. Caution is to be exercised by survey operational vessels in this area.



4. **All vessels engaged in proposed activities must conform to Irish Certification standards and, vessels shall be manned by suitably qualified personnel. Where equipment is carried for survey activities an Irish Load line survey may be required. The applicant should contact mso@transport.gov.ie for clarification in relation suitability and licencing of vessels engaged in planned operations.**
5. The Licensee shall ensure all appropriate measures are taken for the duration of any on-site activity to ensure the safety of navigation is maintained. Any hazard to safe navigation shall be easily identifiable to all maritime users operating within or in the proximity of the license area.

6. The Licensee shall ensure local Notice to Mariners is ***published and ANY subsequent changes to dates of operations, location, or area of schedule of works or vessels engaged in the planned usage are updated accordingly in a prompt and timely manner.***
7. The promulgation and frequency of Navtex and radio broadcast warnings shall be agreed in advance with the Irish Coast Guard for the duration of the license period.
8. The marking and lighting of any moored instruments shall be compliant with International Association of Aids to Navigation (IALA) requirements. Information regarding the position of any markings which create a hazard to navigation shall be promulgated to the mariner through the publication of a local marine notice and all means appropriate.
9. **In advance, and throughout the consent period the applicant shall be obliged to inform United Kingdom Hydrographic Office (UKHO), of any activities that may impact the safety of navigation including deployment of equipment and survey activities,. All bathymetry data gathered shall be shared with UKHO and INFOMAR to ensure appropriate navigation safety information and charts can be updated. Email: sdr@UKHO.gov.uk and the INFOMAR program at support@geodata.gov.ie**

Regards,

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To whom it may concern,

Please see attached a letter from MARA requesting your observations on the above application for a maritime usage licence.

The deadline for submitting observations is **13th November 2025** by close of business.

Kind regards,

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Licence Authorisation Team
MARA

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