

Port of Cork Company
Tivoli Terminal Building, Tivoli Dock & Industrial Estate, Cork, T23 YNT9, Ireland

By email only tokeeffe@portofcork.ie

01/04/2026

Request for Additional Information: Section 117(3) of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021

Maritime Usage Licence Application Reference: MUL250024

Dear Mr. O’Keeffe,

I refer to the above referenced maritime usage licence application received by the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (MARA).

MARA considers that it requires additional information as set out below in order to determine the licence application.

The GIS data submitted have ‘**Area A**’ in polyline data format.

The map submitted have ‘**Area A**’ drawn that correspond directly the Map Title: “PROPOSED MUL MAP 1”

1. Ensure GIS shapefile format adheres to MARA requirements, i.e. Polygon format, not Polyline format
2. Ensure GIS shapefile attribution adheres to MARA requirements:
 - a. Attribute Field: “File_R_N” e.g. MUL##### as assigned by MARA.
 - b. Attribute Field: “Site_R_N” e.g. A, B, C etc.

address:

An tÚdarás Rialála Limistéir Mhuirí / Maritime Area Regulatory Authority
2^ú hUrlár, Teach Menapia, Páirc Ghnó Dhraighní Draighneach Loch
Garman, Y35RF29.
2nd Floor, Menapia House, Drinagh Business Park, Drinagh, Wexford,
Y35RF29.

email:

licence@mara.gov.ie

website:

www.maritimeregulator.ie

MARA MAC/MUL Shapefile Schema			
Field Name	Alias	Data Type	Length
OBJECTID	OBJECTID	Object ID	
FileRecordNumber	File_R_N	Text	255
SiteReference	Site_Ref	Text	255
AreaXX (Unit of Measurement)	AreaXX	Double	
Projection	Projection	Text	255
Shape (Default)	Shape	Geometry	
Shape_Length (Default)	Shape_Length	Double	
Shape_Area (Default)	Shape_Area	Double	

3. Ensure all cartographic maps and GIS data files are updated accordingly and resubmitted to MARA
 - a. Adhere to the **MARA Technical Mapping Guidance Note for MAC/MUL Applications**.

https://www.maritimeregulator.ie/wpcontent/uploads/2025/10/MARA_Technical_Mapping_Guidance_for_MAC_MUL_Applications.pdf

The Appropriate Assessment Screening and Natura Impact Statement (Report No. CORE2-AYE-XX-ZZ-RP-ENV-0001) refers to locations of breeding common tern (*Sterna hirundo*) in proximity to the proposed site investigations. Please provide details of the separation distances between the proposed site investigations and the locations of breeding terns.

Please refer to MARA's [Guidance and Technical Mapping note](#) when providing the information requested.

The requested information should be submitted to MARA within 2 weeks of the date of this notice, i.e by 15/04/2026, in order for MARA to assess the licence application. Please direct any queries to licence@mara.gov.ie.

Yours faithfully,

Paula O'Toole
Maritime Usage Licensing Team
MARA