



Marine Notice No. 46 of 2022

*Notice to all Shipowners, Fishing Vessel Owners, Agents, Shipmasters, Skippers, Fishers,
Yachtsmen and Seafarers*

South Irish Sea Offshore Wind Farm - Geophysical Site Investigation

1. Notice of Activity

The Department of Transport has been advised that Ocean Infinity will undertake a Geophysical site survey campaign in the Southern Irish Sea between **14 July 2022** and **30 August 2022** approximately. The work will be conducted during 24 hr operations. However, please note the start date and the duration of the activity are weather dependent.

2. Location of Activity

The operations will take place at the locations indicated below. Further information on the locations is available in the map at Appendices 1.

Location	Latitude	Longitude
A	52° 15.416' N	006° 14.443' W
B	52° 15.536' N	005° 58.382' W
C	52° 47.897' N	005° 43.28' W
D	52° 48.146' N	005° 57.711' W
E	52° 51.421' N	006° 07.005' W
F	52° 35.951' N	006° 16.114' W
G	52° 30.846' N	006° 09.561' W

3. Details of the Survey Vessel

The work will be conducted by the **Northern Maria** (call sign **OZAV2**). The survey work will be performed by a hull mounted multibeam sonar and sub bottom profiler, along with a towed side scan sonar and piggy backed magnetometer-up (tow max 320 m), and ultra-high resolution survey equipment. The vessel will conduct 24-hr operations (weather dependent). During operations, the vessel will be restricted in its ability to manoeuvre and will display the appropriate day shapes and lights. All vessels operating within this area are requested to keep their distance and pass at minimum speed to reduce vessel wash.

4. Contact Details

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All mariners are reminded of their responsibilities under the **International Collision Regulations** and are reminded of [Marine Notice No. 17 of 2007](#), which gives general advice in relation to the activities of vessels engaged in survey work for hydrographic, seismic, fishing research and underwater operations.

The International Regulations for Prevention of Collisions at Sea (COLREGS) are implemented in Irish law by the *Merchant Shipping (Collision Regulations) (Ships and Water Craft on the Water) Order 2012* [S.I. No. 507 of 2012] and the *Signals of Distress (Ships) Rules 2012* [S.I. No.170 of 2012]. [See Marine Notice No. 06 of 2013](#). These Statutory Instruments may be purchased by mail order from Government Publications, Office of Public Works, 52 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin 2. Tel: (01) 6476834/1890-213434. They are also available online at: www.irishstatutebook.ie.

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Encl: Appendix 1. Chart of the survey area

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