



Marine Notice No. 34 of 2021

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

Subsea Fibre Optic Cable System in the Irish Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ)

1. Notice of activity

The Department of Transport has been advised that SubCom will be carrying out cable installation operations along the route of the Grace Hopper Subsea Fibre Optic Cable System in the Irish exclusive economic zone (EEZ). The operations are expected to be carried out in two periods, the first from 29 May to 30 June 2021 and the second from 26 July to 15 August 2021, weather permitting.

2. Location of Activity

The operations will take place in the locations detailed below:

Latitude	Longitude
48°12'.6566"N	010°42.4011"W
48° 30.4837"N	010°37.1800"W
48° 36.0386"N	010°35.0015"W
48° 38.7240"N	010° 32.4299"W
48° 40.5629"N	010° 29.2693"W
48° 50.0436"N	010° 20.0038"W
48° 53.5737"N	010° 21.7206"W
49° 01.1755"N	010° 21.3924"W
49° 04.3021"N	010° 16.3610"W
49° 07.2557"N	009° 57.2739"W
49° 14.9178"N	009° 28.0013"W
49° 27.8098"N	009° 12.3214"W
49° 31.2178"N	009° 10.9496"W
49° 39.6589"N	008° 58.2584"W
49° 44.5627"N	008° 51.5506"W
49° 52.4868"N	008° 46.6573"W
50° 04.2350"N	008° 33.6487"W
50° 10.3368"N	008° 29.9248"W
50° 17.9280"N	008° 27.9326"W

50° 23.7063"N	008° 26.3459"W
50° 28.3405"N	008° 24.1893"W
50° 32.5028"N	008° 10.9623"W
50° 35.8791"N	008° 00.4379"W
50° 37.5732"N	007° 54.9559"W
50° 42.1803"N	007° 36.6561"W
50° 43.7991"N	007° 30.2039"W
50° 46.2826"N	007° 20.0138"W

Further location information is available in Appendix 1.

3. Details of Vessel

The operations will be conducted by the **CS Responder** (callsign: **V7CY9**). The vessel will be listening to Channel 16 but can be set to any other as required. CS Responder will be towing stern deployed equipment and so will be restricted in its manoeuvrability. All vessels operating within this area are requested to keep their distance, and pass at minimum speed to reduce vessel wash. Throughout operations, the vessel will be displaying the appropriate lights and shapes as required under the COLREGS Rule 27(b)

4. Contact Details

Any enquiries about these operations should be directed to:

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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

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Appendix 1: Route Map

