



Marine Notice No. 10 of 2022

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

Recovery and Redeployment of Floating Lidar and Wave Buoys on Bray and Kish Banks

1. Notice of Activity

[Marine Notice 37 of 2021](#) advised of the deployment of one floating lidar buoy and two wave buoys at Dublin Array Offshore Windfarm on Bray and Kish Banks. The Department of Transport has now been advised by Partrac Ltd that all three buoys are scheduled to be serviced soon over a period of two days.

Weather permitting, it is expected that the two wave buoys will be recovered and redeployed in the 3-week period between **11th February 2022 and 4th March 2022**.

The Floating Lidar Buoy will be towed from its location on Bray Bank to Wicklow Harbour for routine maintenance overnight and towed back to Bray Bank for redeployment in its current position. The recovery and redeployment will take place in the 3-week period between **24th February 2022 and 18th March 2022**.

2. Location of Activity

The metocean buoys will be recovered and redeployed at the following location.

Site	WGS84 (DDM)	
	Latitude	Longitude
Wave Buoy S1 Bray Bank	53°10.256' N	05°55.598' W
Wave Buoy S2 Kish Bank	53°17.696' N	05°54.515' W
Floating Lidar Buoy S1 Bray Bank	53° 10.645' N	005° 55.785' W

3. Details of Vessel and Safety Precautions

The **AMS Retriever** (callsign: **MEH18**) will recover and redeploy the metocean buoys. The Floating Lidar Buoy will be towed approx. 30 m metres astern of the AMS Retriever at a maximum speed of 3.5 kts. During this time, the vessel will be restricted in its ability to manoeuvre. As such, vessels operating within this area are requested to keep their distance, maintaining a safety zone around the deployment vessel, and pass at minimum speed to reduce vessel wash. Radio transmissions will be conducted with VTS and other seafarers to notify them of the buoy operations.

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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