



## Marine Notice No. 67 of 2022

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

### Braymore Offshore Wind Farm Deployment of Metocean Instrumentation

#### 1. Notice of Activity

The Department of Transport has been advised that three surface buoys, three guard buoys, and one sub-surface mooring are to be deployed at the Braymore Offshore Wind Farm site for a metocean and passive acoustic monitoring (PAM) survey campaign. The deployments are expected to be completed over a two-day period from **5 October 2022**, subject to weather and operational constraints. On completion of the deployment operations, the devices will remain deployed for a period of 12 months.

#### 2. Location of Activity

The survey campaign will be undertaken within the proposed Braymore Offshore Wind Farm site, located off the east coast of Ireland. A map detailing the location can be found in Appendix 1 and a table providing the coordinates for the equipment deployment locations is provided below. Each location will have the following equipment deployed:

- Site 1: Surface Wavebuoy and Surface Guard Buoy.
- Site 2: Surface Wavebuoy, Surface Guard Buoy and Sub-Surface Mooring.
- Site 3: Surface Wavebuoy and Surface Guard Buoy.

		Position WGS84 (DDM)	
Site Name	Equipment	Latitude	Longitude
Site 1 (North)	Wavebuoy	53° 53.000'N	005° 56.769'W
	Guard Buoy	53° 53.075'N	005° 56.839'W
Site 2 (Centre)	Wavebuoy	53° 48.883'N	005° 53.874'W
	Guard Buoy	53° 48.878'N	005° 54.020'W
	Sub-Surface Mooring	53° 48.837'N	005° 53.935'W
Site 3 (South)	Wavebuoy	53° 45.376'N	005° 49.566'W
	Guard Buoy	53° 45.425'N	005° 49.715'W

### 3. Details of the Survey Vessel

The operations will be conducted by the Damen Shoalbuster 2409 versatile multi-purpose and shallow draft tug **AMS Retriever** (Call Sign: **MEH18**). During operations, the vessel will be restricted in its ability to manoeuvre. Vessels are requested to leave a wide berth during the deployment operations. Radio transmissions will be conducted with other seafarers to notify them of the operations.

### 4. Buoy Characteristics

Three JFC 2600 Seagull Special Mark Guard Buoys will be deployed. Each buoy will have a hull diameter of 2.6m and a nominal freeboard of 0.8m. The buoys will be yellow in colour and displaying St Andrew's Cross day shapes. The buoys will be fitted with a radar reflector and a navigation light with a 3Nm range, flashing sequence: Y. Fl. (5) 20s. The Wave Buoy will be a yellow spherical buoy with a diameter of approx. 1.1m. It will be equipped with a Buoy Light, IALA yellow, with a group flashing character of 5 flashes every 20 seconds - Fl (5) Y 20 – and a range of 3Nm.

### 5. Contact Details

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All mariners are reminded of their responsibilities under the **International Collision Regulations** and 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](http://www.irishstatutebook.ie)

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Encl: Appendix 1: Map Detailing the Location

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## Appendix 1: Map Detailing the Location

