



Marine Notice No. 21 of 2026

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

Galway Bay Geophysical and Geotechnical Survey (Inshore)

1. Notice of Activity

The Department of Transport has been advised that a geophysical and geotechnical survey will be undertaken by Elettra TLC SpA in Galway Bay, on behalf of Deep Sea Fibre Networks Ltd. The inshore survey work is anticipated to start on **29 April 2026** and will take approximately **6 days**, depending on weather and other operational factors.

2. Location of Activity

The survey will involve the deployment of towed equipment from the survey vessel within the bounds of the start and end points detailed in table below. Appendix 1 to this Marine Notice contains the Survey Works Corridor Route Position List and Appendix 2 contains a map of the Survey Works Corridor.

Cable Corridors	Starting Point		Ending Point	
	Latitude	Longitude	Latitude	Longitude
Works Corridor	53° 16' 10.3606" N	9° 01' 03.3247" W	53° 12' 40.4243" N	9° 08' 41.4586" W

3. Details of Vessel

The survey will be conducted by the “**Explora II**” (**Call Sign: 2WWE**) pending approval. The vessel will display appropriate lights and signals. Due to the deployment of towed equipment from the vessel for the duration of the survey activities, the survey vessel will be restricted in its ability to manoeuvre and as such other vessels are kindly requested to keep a wide berth.

Vessels are requested to pass at a safe speed and distance and fishing vessels are advised to remain a safe distance from the areas identified - CPA > 1.0 NM. The vessel will maintain a listening watch on VHF Channel 16 and mariners are advised to keep continuous watch on this channel when navigating the area.

4. Contact Details

Enquiries regarding the contents of this Marine Notice, and any other relevant matters, should be directed to:

- **Senior Marine Coordinator**

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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, Mountshannon Road, Dublin, D08 XA06 Tel: (046) 9423100. They are also available online at: www.irishstatutebook.ie.

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Appendix 1: Survey Works Corridor Route Position List

Appendix 2: Map of Survey Works Corridor Route Positions

For any technical assistance in relation to this Marine Notice, please contact:
The Marine Survey Office, email: MSO@transport.gov.ie.
For general enquiries, please contact the Maritime Safety Policy Division, email:
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Dept. of Transport, Maritime Safety Policy Division, Leeson Lane, Dublin 2, D02 TR60, Ireland.
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Appendix 1: Survey Works Corridor Route Position List

Longitude	Latitude
9° 01' 10.4214" W	53° 16' 15.4272" N
9° 01' 13.5984" W	53° 16' 15.2256" N
9° 01' 14.8793" W	53° 16' 14.5864" N
9° 01' 04.9116" W	53° 16' 12.3204" N
9° 01' 03.9036" W	53° 16' 10.6626" N
9° 01' 03.3247" W	53° 16' 10.3606" N
9° 01' 35.6743" W	53° 15' 57.2892" N
9° 01' 23.7643" W	53° 15' 53.3603" N
9° 01' 44.0398" W	53° 15' 44.7860" N
9° 01' 31.8507" W	53° 15' 41.2755" N
9° 01' 50.1025" W	53° 15' 38.3479" N
9° 01' 38.5897" W	53° 15' 34.1200" N
9° 02' 04.3380" W	53° 15' 25.4587" N
9° 01' 53.2766" W	53° 15' 20.8228" N
9° 02' 11.4416" W	53° 15' 19.6765" N
9° 02' 13.9914" W	53° 15' 15.9700" N
9° 01' 59.6009" W	53° 15' 15.6754" N
9° 02' 00.5431" W	53° 15' 14.3059" N
9° 02' 14.5764" W	53° 14' 53.5512" N
9° 02' 01.1462" W	53° 14' 51.2711" N
9° 02' 20.9194" W	53° 14' 47.1460" N
9° 02' 10.2903" W	53° 14' 42.0380" N
9° 02' 31.9860" W	53° 14' 40.8883" N
9° 02' 23.6463" W	53° 14' 34.4860" N
9° 03' 02.9491" W	53° 14' 28.9640" N
9° 02' 56.5110" W	53° 14' 21.8296" N
9° 03' 56.9299" W	53° 14' 14.4360" N
9° 03' 49.1407" W	53° 14' 07.6656" N
9° 05' 03.9179" W	53° 13' 34.1404" N
9° 04' 55.9719" W	53° 13' 27.4651" N
9° 05' 49.7491" W	53° 13' 20.7206" N
9° 05' 44.8350" W	53° 13' 13.1578" N
9° 06' 40.8795" W	53° 13' 11.5711" N
9° 06' 58.9490" W	53° 13' 08.4890" N
9° 06' 37.1111" W	53° 13' 03.8033" N
9° 06' 55.2641" W	53° 13' 00.7071" N
9° 08' 18.1355" W	53° 12' 54.9721" N
9° 08' 46.6116" W	53° 12' 47.8997" N
9° 08' 13.7006" W	53° 12' 47.3183" N
9° 08' 41.4586" W	53° 12' 40.4243" N

Appendix 2: Map of Survey Works Corridor Route Positions

