



## Marine Notice No. 65 of 2021

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

### Rock Placement Activities Havhingsten fibre optic telecommunication cable system in the Irish Sea

#### 1. Notice of activity

Further to [Marine Notice No. 64 of 2021](#), the Department of Transport has been advised that rock placement activities for the Havhingsten fibre optic telecommunication cable system in the Irish Sea are planned for December 2021. Works will start on **11th December 2021**. Details on the duration of the works are provided below.

#### 2. Location and Details of Activity

The cable route for the western Irish Sea region is shown in appendix 1, landing at Loughshinny in Ireland. There are 4 crossing locations in the Irish Sea where rock placement will be installed, but only one will be within the Irish EEZ; the location is at the offshore extent of the Irish EEZ. Rock placement will be via industry standard and rock placement activity for each site is approximately up to 15 hours.

The operation will take place in the location below (within the Irish EEZ):

Region	Crossing Name	Latitude	Longitude
Irish EEZ	Interconnector 1(Seg 1.1)	53° 44.6268' N	6° 19.5120' W

#### 3. Details of Vessel

The operations will be conducted by the cable installation vessel **Stornes** (callsign: **PCKX**). Vessels will be working throughout 24 hours and will display appropriate day shapes and lights during reduced visibility and night operations. All vessels operating within this area are requested to keep their distance and pass at minimum speed to reduce vessel wash.

#### 4. Contact Details

Any enquiries about these operations should be directed to the Fisheries Liaison Officers:

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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](http://www.irishstatutebook.ie).

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