



Marine Notice No. 12 of 2022

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

North and Northwest Coast - Notice of Irish Monkfish and Megrin Survey 2022

1. Notice of Activity

The Department of Transport has been advised that the third leg of the annual Irish Anglerfish and Megrin Survey (IAMS 2022) will be carried out from **13 - 22 April 2022** to the north and northwest coast of Ireland by the Marine Institute in fulfilment of Ireland's Common Fisheries Policy obligations¹.

2. Overview of Survey and Location Details

The IAMS is a demersal trawl survey consisting of approximately 50 otter trawls of 60 minutes duration in ICES area 6.a. The approximate location of these hauls is given in Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 below. Fishing will take place within a 3 nautical mile radius of these indicative positions.

3. Details of Survey Vessel

The survey will be conducted by the **RV 'Celtic Explorer'** (Callsign: **EIGB**). The vessel will display appropriate lights and signals. She will be towing a Jackson demersal trawl during fishing operations.

4. Request to Commercial Fishers and Other Marine Operators

The Marine Institute requests that commercial fishing and other marine operators keep a 3nmi area around the tow points clear of any gear or apparatus during the survey period outlined above. While there is no statutory provision for the loss of gear at sea, the Marine Institute will make every effort to avoid gear adequately marked according to legislation² that may be encountered in the notified areas. In the event that an operator has static gear or other obstructions within 3nmi of the points listed below it is the responsibility of the owner to notify the survey managers or vessel directly. This should be communicated by using the contact details provided below. It is not required to provide positional details of commercial operations beyond 4 naut. mi. of the survey points provided. Specifics of any fishing gear or other obstructions that are known and cannot be kept clear of these survey haul locations can be notified using the contact details below.

¹ Articles 9-17 of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 404/2011. Available [here](#).

² For overview of current EU regulations: <https://bim.ie/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/BIM-FMC20.08.21.pdf>

5. 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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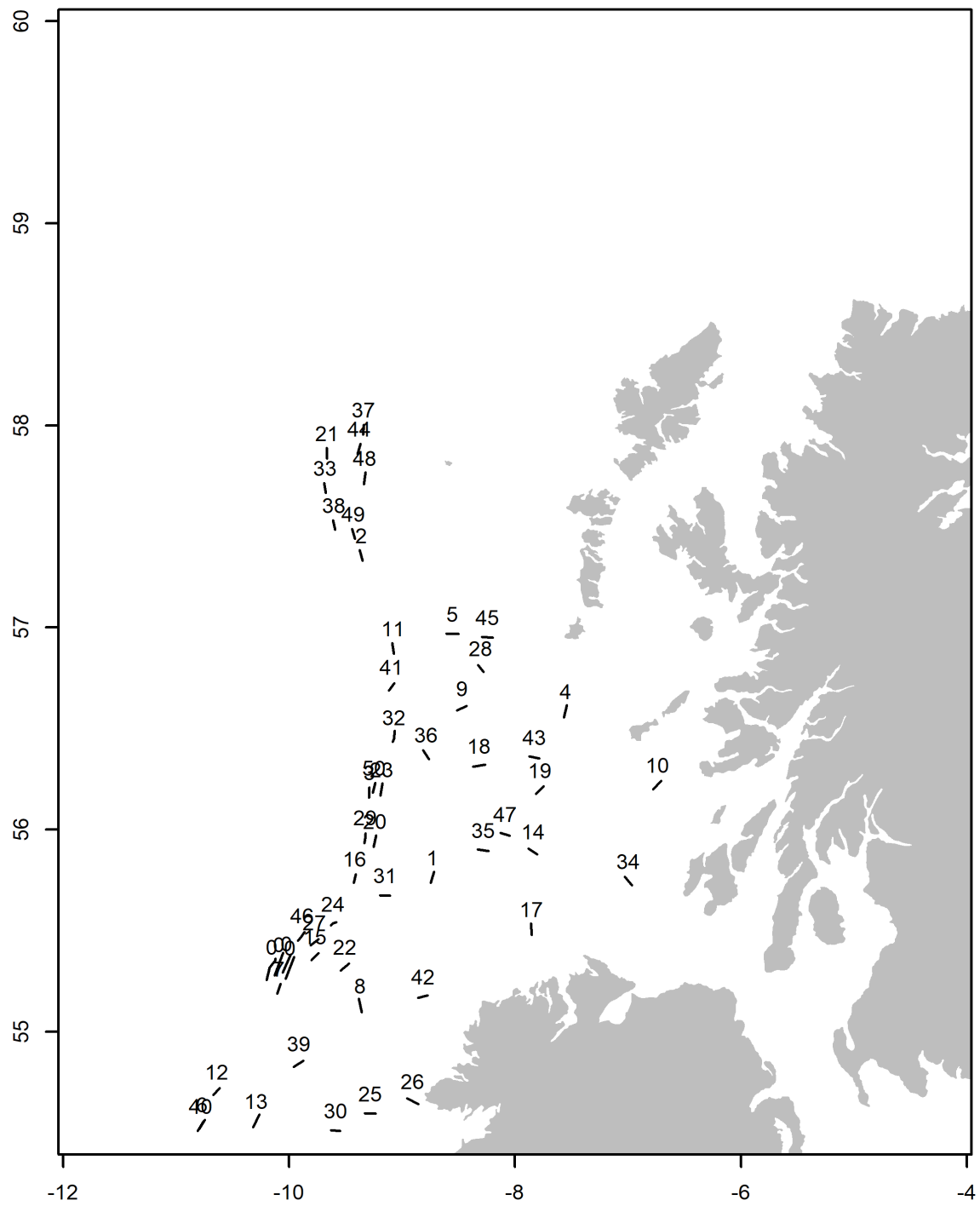
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Encl: Appendix 1: Map of IAMS 2022 survey stations labelled with station numbers.
Appendix 2: IAMS 2022 survey stations are located by the following coordinates

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Appendix 1: Map of IAMS 2022 survey stations labelled with station numbers.



Appendix 2: IAMS 2022 survey stations are located by the following coordinates

Station	Latitude	Longitude
0	055° 18' 59" N	09° 59' 41" W
0	055° 20' 16" N	10° 01' 20" W
0	055° 20' 01" N	10° 05' 31" W
0	055° 19' 18" N	10° 09' 19" W
1	055° 45' 50" N	08° 43' 51" W
2	057° 21' 25" N	09° 21' 43" W
3	056° 11' 02" N	09° 17' 29" W
4	056° 35' 09" N	07° 33' 14" W
5	056° 58' 09" N	08° 33' 19" W
6	054° 32' 28" N	10° 46' 23" W
7	055° 12' 47" N	10° 05' 31" W
8	055° 07' 47" N	09° 22' 19" W
9	056° 36' 04" N	08° 28' 14" W
10	056° 13' 14" N	06° 44' 28" W
11	056° 53' 47" N	09° 04' 52" W
12	054° 42' 15" N	10° 38' 35" W
13	054° 33' 33" N	10° 17' 32" W
14	055° 53' 31" N	07° 50' 29" W
15	055° 22' 17" N	09° 46' 19" W
16	055° 45' 28" N	09° 25' 11" W
17	055° 30' 27" N	07° 51' 25" W
18	056° 18' 58" N	08° 19' 07" W
19	056° 11' 43" N	07° 46' 52" W
20	055° 56' 38" N	09° 14' 31" W
21	057° 51' 41" N	09° 39' 56" W
22	055° 19' 14" N	09° 30' 29" W
23	056° 11' 55" N	09° 10' 55" W
24	055° 32' 04" N	09° 36' 38" W
25	054° 35' 46" N	09° 16' 54" W
26	054° 39' 24" N	08° 54' 25" W
27	055° 26' 33" N	09° 46' 34" W
28	056° 47' 52" N	08° 18' 12" W
29	055° 57' 39" N	09° 19' 43" W
30	054° 30' 41" N	09° 35' 24" W
31	055° 40' 28" N	09° 09' 05" W
32	056° 27' 28" N	09° 04' 28" W
33	057° 41' 28" N	09° 40' 57" W
34	055° 44' 44" N	06° 59' 49" W
35	055° 53' 53" N	08° 17' 01" W
36	056° 22' 16" N	08° 47' 19" W
37	057° 58' 46" N	09° 20' 35" W
38	057° 30' 25" N	09° 36' 13" W
39	054° 50' 31" N	09° 54' 59" W
40	054° 32' 01" N	10° 47' 02" W
41	056° 42' 20" N	09° 05' 37" W
42	055° 10' 26" N	08° 48' 56" W
43	056° 21' 29" N	07° 49' 48" W
44	057° 53' 02" N	09° 22' 53" W
45	056° 57' 08" N	08° 14' 46" W

46	055° 28' 34" N	09° 53' 14" W
47	055° 58' 39" N	08° 05' 13" W
48	057° 44' 22" N	09° 19' 56" W
49	057° 27' 47" N	09° 25' 50" W
50	056° 12' 24" N	09° 14' 57" W