



Marine Notice No. 26 of 2026

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

Air-to-Ground Firing, East of Gormanston County Meath

1. Notice of Activity

The Department of Transport has been informed that the Irish Air Corps intends to conduct an air-to-ground firing exercise within the confines of the EID1 Danger Area firing range, east of Gormanston, Co Meath. Defence Forces personnel will utilise Air Corps helicopters, and weapons of varying calibres up to 12.7mm. The exercise will be conducted from **Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May 2026** inclusive, from 09:00hrs to 21:00hrs each day, subject to weather and operational constraints.

2. Location of Activity

The exercise will be conducted from Gormanston Army Camp and will take place over water in the Irish Sea to the east of the camp. Please find further information on the location of this exercise in the Appendix to this Marine Notice.

3. Details of Vessels

The maritime area will be patrolled by a Naval Service vessel and/or Air Corps rigid hull inflatable boat.

4. Contact Details

The points of contact for the duration of the exercise are as follows:

- Operations Officer, No.3 Operations Wing, Ph: 01 403 7583 / 7590.
- Operations Room, Air Corps Headquarters, Ph: 01 403 7502/(3).

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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Department of Transport,
Leeson Lane, Dublin 2, D02 TR60, Ireland.

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Encl: Appendix: EID1 Gormanston

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.
email: MarineNotices@transport.gov.ie or visit us at: www.gov.ie/transport.

Appendix: EID1 Gormanston

Danger Areas

Identification, name and lateral limits	Upper limit / Lower limit	Remarks (time of activity, type of restriction, nature of hazard, risk of interception)
1	2	3
EID1 GORMANSTON 534137N 0061229W then a counter-clockwise arc radius centred on 533843N 0061348W - 533754N 0060857W - 533557N 0055740W then a counter-clockwise arc radius centred on 533843N 0061348W - 534822N 0060926W - 534137N 0061229W	40000ft AMSL/SFC	NOTAM Military Firing Range Activity by NOTAM FRA Intermediate Point: ASKUP, GIMRO, ULTAG

