



## Marine Notice No. 39 of 2018

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

### Irish Groundfish Survey 2018 off the Northwest Coast of Ireland

The Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport has been advised by the Marine Institute that the annual Irish Groundfish Survey (IGFS2018) will be carried out off the northwest coast of Ireland between the 29th of October and 14th of December 2018 in fulfilment of Ireland's Common Fisheries Policy obligations.

The IGFS is a demersal trawl survey consisting of approximately 170 fishing hauls of 30 min duration each in ICES area VIa, VIIb, VIIg and VIIj. The approximate location of these hauls is given in Fig 1 and Appendix 1 and fishing in 2018 will take place within a 2 nautical mile radius of these indicative positions.

The survey will be conducted by the R.V. '**Celtic Explorer**' (Callsign: **EIGB**). The vessel will display appropriate lights and signals. She will be towing a high headline GOV 36/47 demersal trawl during fishing operations.

The Marine Institute (MI) would request that commercial fishing and other marine operators keep a 2nmi 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 MI will make every effort to avoid gear adequately marked according to legislation<sup>1</sup> that may be encountered in the notified areas. In the event that an operator has static gear or other obstructions within 2nmi of the points listed above it is the responsibility of the owner to notify the survey managers or vessel directly. This should be communicated by identifying specifically which "Prime Station" is of concern using the Appendix and contact details provided. It is not required to provide positional details of commercial operations beyond 3-4nmi 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.

#### **Please contact:**

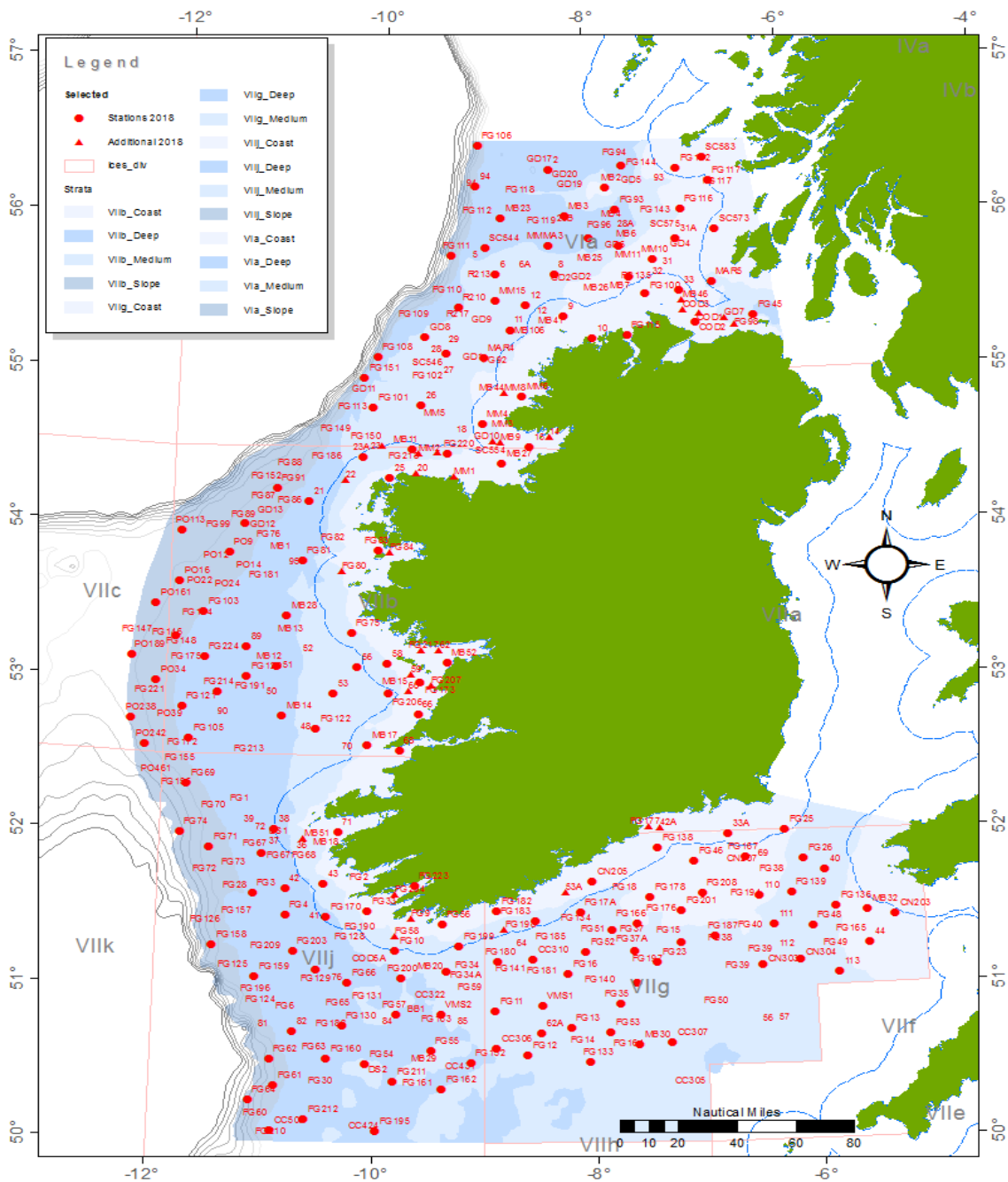
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<sup>1</sup>Articles 9-17 of EU Regulation 404-2011. Available at - <http://eur-lex.europa.eu>

For overview of regulations:

<http://www.bim.ie/media/bim/content/downloads/BIM%20Fisheries%20Management%20Chart%202015.pdf>

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**Fig 1. Map of IGFS2018 survey stations (red circles) labelled with Prime Station number.**

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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Encl.: Appendix 1

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**Appendix 1:**

IGFS Survey Stations are located by the following coordinates (WGS 84)

**Vla**

Station Id	Latitude	Longitude	PrimeStation	Stratum
139	55° 21.98' N	8° 12.8' W	9	VlaCoast
19	55° 13.16' N	7° 55.58' W	10	VlaCoast
24	54° 31.11' N	8° 33.25' W	15	VlaCoast
133	55° 31.32' N	7° 3.47' W	33	VlaCoast
236	55° 51.62' N	7° 4.15' W	31A	VlaCoast
130	55° 18.71' N	6° 54.33' W	COD2	VlaCoast
298	55° 30.14' N	7° 23.47' W	FG100	VlaCoast
263	55° 36.98' N	7° 33.36' W	FG114	VlaCoast
264	55° 14.26' N	7° 35.06' W	FG115	VlaCoast
266	56° 3.12' N	7° 0.84' W	FG116	VlaCoast
441	56° 13.83' N	6° 43.44' W	FG117	VlaCoast
377	56° 18.75' N	7° 2.97' W	FG192	VlaCoast
13	56° 11.82' N	7° 46.76' W	MB2	VlaCoast
460	55° 43.61' N	7° 18.42' W	MM10	VlaCoast
432	54° 50.76' N	8° 37.65' W	MM6	VlaCoast
237	55° 54.87' N	6° 40.48' W	SC573	VlaCoast
234	56° 23.04' N	6° 47.03' W	SC583	VlaCoast
12	56° 18.81' N	8° 20.58' W	2	VlaDeep
257	55° 5.88' N	10° 3.16' W	FG108	VlaDeep
300	56° 20.25' N	7° 36.25' W	FG144	VlaDeep
314	54° 57.55' N	10° 10.75' W	FG151	VlaDeep
231	56° 2.99' N	7° 40.28' W	FG93	VlaDeep
378	55° 52.02' N	7° 57.24' W	FG95	VlaDeep
136	56° 0.09' N	8° 50.34' W	MB23	VlaDeep
15	56° 0.65' N	8° 11.6' W	MB3	VlaDeep
137	55° 49.19' N	8° 21.26' W	MMMA3	VlaDeep
10	55° 25.5' N	9° 15.26' W	R210	VlaDeep
180	55° 48.46' N	8° 59.54' W	SC544	VlaDeep
8	55° 38.16' N	8° 53.34' W	6	VlaMedium
138	55° 37.98' N	8° 18.02' W	8	VlaMedium
262	55° 26.34' N	8° 35.54' W	12	VlaMedium
3	54° 47.23' N	9° 37.3' W	26	VlaMedium
148	55° 5.92' N	9° 0.45' W	38047	VlaMedium
349	55° 34.38' N	6° 43.49' W	38412	VlaMedium
256	54° 46.27' N	10° 5.01' W	FG101	VlaMedium
179	55° 21.15' N	6° 19.05' W	FG45	VlaMedium
409	55° 13.97' N	9° 35.14' W	GD8	VlaMedium
367	55° 16.34' N	8° 44.15' W	MB106	VlaMedium
28	54° 30.09' N	9° 41.91' W	MB11	VlaMedium
435	55° 49.07' N	7° 38.44' W	MM11	VlaMedium
436	55° 27.86' N	8° 53.46' W	MM15	VlaMedium

461	54° 39.91' N	9° 1.14' W	MM4	VlaMedium
181	55° 7.21' N	9° 22.15' W	SC546	VlaMedium
135	56° 12.47' N	9° 5.66' W	94	VlaSlope
270	56° 28.12' N	9° 4.24' W	FG106	VlaSlope
260	55° 45.4' N	9° 19.58' W	FG111	VlaSlope

### VIIb

Station Id	Latitude	Longitude	PrimeStation	Stratum
29	54° 18.93' N	9° 55.2' W	25	VIIbCoast
42	53° 6.69' N	9° 54.81' W	58	VIIbCoast
45	52° 46.91' N	9° 37.14' W	66	VIIbCoast
155	52° 32.87' N	9° 47.5' W	68	VIIbCoast
346	52° 59.19' N	9° 35.97' W	FG173	VIIbCoast
352	53° 50.49' N	10° 0.69' W	FG83	VIIbCoast
149	54° 24.56' N	8° 49.83' W	MB27	VIIbCoast
395	53° 7.3' N	9° 21.08' W	MB52	VIIbCoast
140	54° 9.4' N	10° 41.47' W	21	VIIbDeep
34	53° 12.48' N	11° 15.2' W	89	VIIbDeep
239	53° 25.65' N	11° 39.8' W	FG103	VIIbDeep
354	52° 36.17' N	11° 45.26' W	FG105	VIIbDeep
273	53° 0.91' N	11° 14.1' W	FG120	VIIbDeep
274	52° 48.55' N	11° 50.02' W	FG121	VIIbDeep
154	52° 54.41' N	11° 30.37' W	FG214	VIIbDeep
439	53° 8.16' N	11° 38.5' W	FG224	VIIbDeep
225	53° 46.21' N	10° 44.32' W	FG81	VIIbDeep
33	53° 5.08' N	10° 57.78' W	MB12	VIIbDeep
38	52° 45.77' N	10° 53.66' W	MB14	VIIbDeep
150	53° 24.55' N	10° 52.42' W	MB28	VIIbDeep
223	52° 54.61' N	10° 24.91' W	53	VIIbMedium
144	53° 5.21' N	10° 11.64' W	56	VIIbMedium
429	54° 26.77' N	10° 10.54' W	23A	VIIbMedium
275	52° 40.79' N	10° 34.41' W	FG122	VIIbMedium
396	52° 54.99' N	9° 54.12' W	FG206	VIIbMedium
438	54° 28.5' N	9° 21.66' W	FG220	VIIbMedium
222	53° 18.24' N	10° 15.24' W	FG75	VIIbMedium
47	52° 34.88' N	10° 5.7' W	MB17	VIIbMedium
240	53° 15.68' N	11° 54.9' W	FG104	VIIbSlope
228	54° 14.1' N	10° 59.98' W	FG91	VIIbSlope
419	54° 0.14' N	11° 18.43' W	GD12	VIIbSlope
187	53° 57.04' N	11° 53.96' W	PO113	VIIbSlope
303	53° 37.25' N	11° 54.18' W	PO16	VIIbSlope
304	53° 28.41' N	12° 7.18' W	PO161	VIIbSlope
250	53° 7.63' N	12° 19.34' W	PO189	VIIbSlope
194	52° 43.21' N	12° 18.02' W	PO238	VIIbSlope
193	52° 33.28' N	12° 10.05' W	PO242	VIIbSlope
251	52° 58.18' N	12° 4.85' W	PO34	VIIbSlope

253	53° 49.05' N	11° 26.45' W	PO9	VIIbSlope
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### VIIg

Station Id	Latitude	Longitude	PrimeStation	Stratum
162	51° 15.54' N	5° 30.56' W	44	VIIgCoast
92	51° 35.31' N	6° 29.52' W	110	VIIgCoast
96	51° 59.61' N	6° 45.31' W	33A	VIIgCoast
366	51° 26.22' N	5° 15.87' W	CN203	VIIgCoast
337	51° 41.79' N	8° 0.69' W	CN205	VIIgCoast
289	51° 54.65' N	7° 24.71' W	FG138	VIIgCoast
329	51° 24.99' N	7° 36.35' W	FG166	VIIgCoast
331	51° 50.37' N	6° 36.12' W	FG167	VIIgCoast
358	51° 35.18' N	7° 29.44' W	FG178	VIIgCoast
390	51° 30.31' N	8° 53.04' W	FG182	VIIgCoast
388	51° 30.03' N	7° 12.45' W	FG201	VIIgCoast
399	51° 36.8' N	7° 0.58' W	FG208	VIIgCoast
98	52° 0.69' N	6° 14.03' W	FG25	VIIgCoast
198	51° 48.99' N	7° 4.52' W	FG46	VIIgCoast
163	51° 28.41' N	5° 30.99' W	MB32	VIIgCoast
94	51° 44.6' N	5° 52.83' W	40	VIIgMedium
91	51° 24.03' N	6° 21.99' W	111	VIIgMedium
89	51° 4.47' N	5° 47.67' W	113	VIIgMedium
74	50° 42.98' N	8° 28.8' W	62A	VIIgMedium
72	50° 36.87' N	8° 53.66' W	CC306	VIIgMedium
78	50° 38.86' N	7° 18.84' W	CC307	VIIgMedium
82	51° 11.65' N	8° 33.41' W	CC310	VIIgMedium
343	51° 8.33' N	6° 29.02' W	CN303	VIIgMedium
341	51° 9.96' N	6° 8.37' W	CN304	VIIgMedium
71	50° 51.58' N	8° 53.69' W	FG11	VIIgMedium
73	50° 34.44' N	8° 36.25' W	FG12	VIIgMedium
75	50° 45.01' N	8° 13' W	FG13	VIIgMedium
287	50° 31.59' N	8° 2.73' W	FG133	VIIgMedium
288	51° 30.27' N	5° 48.1' W	FG136	VIIgMedium
93	51° 36.26' N	6° 11.83' W	FG139	VIIgMedium
83	51° 5.98' N	8° 14.51' W	FG16	VIIgMedium
332	51° 17.64' N	7° 12.83' W	FG168	VIIgMedium
330	51° 29.58' N	8° 7.32' W	FG17A	VIIgMedium
362	51° 10.85' N	8° 52.8' W	FG180	VIIgMedium
80	51° 26.59' N	8° 32.26' W	FG183	VIIgMedium
371	51° 19.78' N	6° 54.47' W	FG187	VIIgMedium
387	51° 14.7' N	7° 38.12' W	FG197	VIIgMedium
86	51° 10.11' N	7° 25.77' W	FG23	VIIgMedium
99	51° 49.07' N	6° 4.58' W	FG26	VIIgMedium
159	50° 53.81' N	7° 45.98' W	FG35	VIIgMedium
413	51° 2.02' N	7° 37.14' W	FG36A	VIIgMedium
389	51° 22.56' N	7° 50.52' W	FG37A	VIIgMedium

200	51° 22.98' N	6° 0.81' W	FG48	VIIgMedium
205	51° 14.21' N	8° 4.76' W	FG52	VIIgMedium
206	50° 42.82' N	7° 51.84' W	FG53	VIIgMedium
160	50° 37.93' N	7° 36.66' W	MB30	VIIgMedium
398	50° 53.54' N	8° 28.58' W	VMS1	VIIgMedium

## VIIj

Station Id	Latitude	Longitude	PrimeStation	Stratum
53	52° 0.6' N	10° 20.9' W	71	VIIjCoast
424	51° 39.91' N	9° 38.2' W	FG223	VIIjCoast
156	51° 30.04' N	10° 3.69' W	FG33	VIIjCoast
210	51° 25.18' N	9° 23' W	FG56	VIIjCoast
51	52° 1.33' N	10° 56.05' W	38	VIIjDeep
57	51° 38.71' N	10° 49.16' W	42	VIIjDeep
63	50° 43.02' N	10° 43.46' W	82	VIIjDeep
443	50° 4.41' N	10° 54' W	CC502	VIIjDeep
284	51° 6.88' N	10° 31.47' W	FG129	VIIjDeep
285	50° 45.62' N	10° 16.73' W	FG130	VIIjDeep
286	50° 31.18' N	9° 7.1' W	FG132	VIIjDeep
321	51° 3.94' N	11° 4.3' W	FG159	VIIjDeep
323	50° 32.65' N	10° 24.71' W	FG160	VIIjDeep
325	50° 21.05' N	9° 22.76' W	FG162	VIIjDeep
334	51° 27.89' N	10° 26.29' W	FG170	VIIjDeep
421	50° 4.46' N	9° 57.68' W	FG195	VIIjDeep
393	51° 14.38' N	10° 44.1' W	FG203	VIIjDeep
401	50° 23.74' N	9° 48.88' W	FG211	VIIjDeep
403	50° 8.84' N	10° 35.89' W	FG212	VIIjDeep
58	51° 36.61' N	11° 6.66' W	FG3	VIIjDeep
59	51° 28.4' N	10° 48.7' W	FG4	VIIjDeep
209	50° 49.89' N	9° 47.43' W	FG57	VIIjDeep
217	51° 2.16' N	10° 14.03' W	FG66	VIIjDeep
355	51° 51.87' N	11° 2.76' W	FG67	VIIjDeep
55	51° 40.47' N	10° 28.55' W	43	VIIjMedium
68	51° 14.89' N	9° 48.39' W	FG10	VIIjMedium
392	51° 16.57' N	9° 13.74' W	FG199	VIIjMedium
386	51° 4.27' N	9° 44.96' W	FG200	VIIjMedium
372	51° 6.99' N	9° 20.39' W	FG34A	VIIjMedium
208	50° 30.6' N	10° 3.57' W	FG54	VIIjMedium
207	50° 35.76' N	9° 28.55' W	FG55	VIIjMedium
412	50° 50.07' N	9° 23.25' W	VMS2	VIIjMedium
320	51° 15.97' N	11° 28.19' W	FG158	VIIjSlope
322	50° 21.87' N	10° 52.55' W	FG61	VIIjSlope
215	50° 32.25' N	10° 55.08' W	FG62	VIIjSlope
214	50° 16.21' N	11° 5.81' W	FG64	VIIjSlope
276	52° 18.36' N	11° 45.39' W	FG69	VIIjSlope
220	51° 54.09' N	11° 31.51' W	FG71	VIIjSlope

221	51° 59.77' N	11° 48.1' W	FG74	VIIjSlope
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#### Additional Stations

Station Id	Latitude	Longitude	PrimeStation	Stratum
23	54° 32.81' N	8° 50.58' W	MB9	VlaCoast
25	54° 34.62' N	8° 22.15' W	14	VlaCoast
118	53° 20.01' N	5° 36.42' W	20	VlbCoast
27	54° 28.81' N	9° 27.5' W	MB10	VIIbMedium
100	52° 46.59' N	5° 55.88' W	22	VIIbMedium
40	52° 55.98' N	9° 42.9' W	60	VIIbCoast
43	53° 2.5' N	9° 41.41' W	59	VIIbCoast
44	53° 11.6' N	9° 25.45' W	62	VIIbCoast
67	51° 27.18' N	9° 39.68' W	FG9	VIIjCoast
79	51° 37.59' N	8° 15.28' W	53A	VIIgCoast
95	52° 2.09' N	7° 22.91' W	42A	VIIgCoast
131	55° 22.08' N	6° 51.83' W	COD1	VlaCoast
132	55° 23.5' N	7° 1.34' W	COD3	VlaCoast
183	54° 51.83' N	8° 48.33' W	MB44	VlaCoast
211	51° 20.54' N	9° 48.41' W	FG58	VIIjMedium
227	53° 42.27' N	10° 21.81' W	FG80	VIIbMedium
238	55° 17.38' N	6° 30.52' W	FG98	VlaMedium
265	55° 27.62' N	7° 1.71' W	MB46	VlaCoast
294	51° 58.13' N	10° 39.74' W	MB51	VIIjMedium
346	52° 59.19' N	9° 35.97' W	FG173	VIIbCoast
356	52° 2.61' N	7° 29.36' W	FG177	VIIgCoast
369	54° 19.53' N	9° 17.64' W	MM1	VIIbCoast
370	54° 28.35' N	9° 38.36' W	MM2	VIIbMedium
381	54° 31.26' N	9° 59.7' W	FG193	VlaMedium
391	51° 22.9' N	8° 48.84' W	FG198	VIIgMedium
397	52° 58.11' N	9° 29.73' W	FG207	VIIbCoast
411	54° 33.06' N	8° 55.17' W	GD10	VlaMedium
422	51° 36.46' N	9° 48.9' W	FG204	VIIjCoast
430	53° 11.69' N	9° 35.61' W	FG217	VIIbCoast
450	53° 49.94' N	9° 54.44' W	FG84	VIIbCoast
459	55° 20.2' N	6° 36.94' W	GD7	VlaMedium

\* Prime Station is the fixed station position annually, whether selected or not.

\*\* Stratum is the Survey subareas. Delimited by ICES Area and nominal depth contour relating to i) \*Coast (<80m);

ii) \*Medium (<120m); iii) \*Deep (<200m); iv) \*Slope (<600m).