

Marine Notice No. 05 of 2017

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

Notice of Irish Monkfish and Megrin survey 2017

The Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport has been advised that the Marine Institute is carrying out the annual Irish Anglerfish and Megrin Survey (IAMS 2017) will be carried out from 14th February to 17th March 2017 to the West, Southwest and South coast of Ireland by the Marine Institute in fulfilment of Ireland's Common Fisheries Policy (CFP) obligations. The IAMS is a demersal trawl and beam trawl survey consisting of approximately 85 otter trawls (60 minutes) and 25 beam trawls (30 minutes) in International Council for Exploration of the Sea (ICES) area 7b, 7c, 7g, 7h, 7j and 7k. The approximate location of these hauls is given in Figure 1 and Appendix 1. Fishing in 2017 will take place within a 3 nautical mile radius of these indicative positions.

Figure 1:

Figure 1: Map of planned survey stations (black dots) labelled with Station ID number.

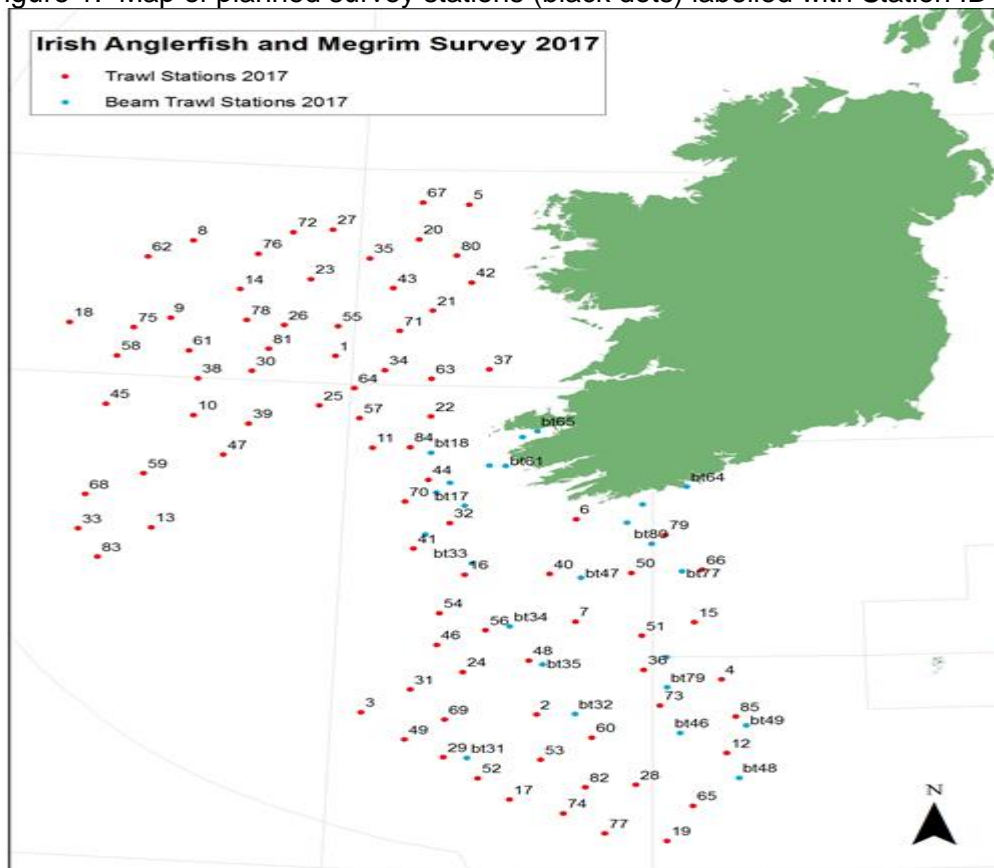


Table 1:

Survey Stations are located within a 3nmi radius of the following coordinates:

Appendix 1. Irish Ground Fish Survey (IGFS) Survey Stations are located by the following coordinates (WGS 84)

Station	Gear	Decimal Longitude	Decimal Latitude
1	Otter Trawl	52.76190 N	12.16841W
2	Otter Trawl	49.46646 N	10.07569W
3	Otter Trawl	49.46189N	11.71192W
4	Otter Trawl	49.79718N	8.34852W
5	Otter Trawl	54.19597N	10.89224W
6	Otter Trawl	51.28802N	9.73890W
7	Otter Trawl	50.33499N	9.72676W
8	Otter Trawl	53.78783N	13.70012W
9	Otter Trawl	53.06071N	13.85448W
10	Otter Trawl	52.16803N	13.52734W
11	Otter Trawl	51.91912N	11.74865W
12	Otter Trawl	49.11159N	8.31223W
13	Otter Trawl	51.11521N	13.83135W
14	Otter Trawl	53.35309N	13.18125W
15	Otter Trawl	50.33079N	8.60202W
16	Otter Trawl	50.75898N	10.79658W
17	Otter Trawl	48.67294N	10.30928W
18	Otter Trawl	52.97696N	14.86022W
19	Otter Trawl	48.29568N	8.86558W
20	Otter Trawl	53.86370NN	11.39022W
21	Otter Trawl	53.20471N	11.21979W
22	Otter Trawl	52.22070N	11.18794W
23	Otter Trawl	53.46762N	12.47095W
24	Otter Trawl	49.85397N	10.78187W
25	Otter Trawl	52.29778N	12.29793W
26	Otter Trawl	53.03258N	12.70381W
27	Otter Trawl	53.93311N	12.28463W
28	Otter Trawl	48.81778N	9.14879W
29	Otter Trawl	49.05683N	10.93340W
30	Otter Trawl	52.59858N	12.99091W
31	Otter Trawl	49.68264N	11.26656W
32	Otter Trawl	51.23723N	10.95582W
33	Otter Trawl	51.07417N	14.53751W
34	Otter Trawl	52.64184N	11.66877W
35	Otter Trawl	53.67617N	11.88531W
36	Otter Trawl	49.88794N	9.07720W
37	Otter Trawl	52.66690N	10.62413W
38	Otter Trawl	52.51065N	13.52169W
39	Otter Trawl	52.10800N	12.98034W
40	Otter Trawl	50.77525N	9.98263W

41	Otter Trawl	50.99412N	11.29724W
42	Otter Trawl	53.47288N	10.83603W
43	Otter Trawl	53.40411N	11.62945 W
44	Otter Trawl	51.63234N	11.18671 W
45	Otter Trawl	52.23758N	14.40159 W
46	Otter Trawl	50.10163N	11.03502 W
47	Otter Trawl	51.81071N	13.19997 W
48	Otter Trawl	49.96829N	10.16321 W
49	Otter Trawl	49.21632N	11.29795 W
50	Otter Trawl	50.78859N	9.19745 W
51	Otter Trawl	50.20406N	9.09983 W
52	Otter Trawl	48.86775N	10.6062 W
53	Otter Trawl	49.04490N	10.0302 3 W
54	Otter Trawl	50.39755N	11.01936 W
55	Otter Trawl	53.03725N	12.16324 W
56	Otter Trawl	50.24484N	10.57816 W
57	Otter Trawl	52.19010N	11.89110 W
58	Otter Trawl	52.68947N	14.35166 W
59	Otter Trawl	51.60809N	13.96347 W
60	Otter Trawl	49.25642N	9.55908 W
61	Otter Trawl	52.76548N	13.63948 W
62	Otter Trawl	53.62059N	14.14765 W
63	Otter Trawl	52.57137N	11.19642 W
64	Otter Trawl	52.46751N	11.96005 W
65	Otter Trawl	48.62263N	8.62896 W
66	Otter Trawl	50.81799N	8.52264 W
67	Otter Trawl	54.20708N	11.36929 W
68	Otter Trawl	51.39359N	14.50407 W
69	Otter Trawl	49.40784N	10.93443 W
70	Otter Trawl	51.42821N	11.40187 W
71	Otter Trawl	53.00853N	11.53836 W
72	Otter Trawl	53.89912N	12.68848 W
73	Otter Trawl	49.55620N	8.92964 W
74	Otter Trawl	48.54898N	9.81409 W
75	Otter Trawl	52.95743N	14.21154 W
76	Otter Trawl	53.68649N	13.02492 W
77	Otter Trawl	48.36432N	9.43510 W
78	Otter Trawl	53.06779N	13.08977 W
79	Otter Trawl	51.14343N	8.87750 W
80	Otter Trawl	53.71920N	10.99645 W
81	Otter Trawl	52.80930N	12.84078 W
82	Otter Trawl	48.79253N	9.61404 W
83	Otter Trawl	50.81930N	14.31871 W
84	Otter Trawl	51.93145N	11.37989 W
85	Otter Trawl	49.44863N	8.22315 W
bt16	Beam Trawl	51.60979N	10.97469 W

bt17	Beam Trawl	51.39871N	10.8192 W
bt18	Beam Trawl	51.8843N	11.16855 W
bt19	Beam Trawl	51.51942N	11.10246 W
bt20	Beam Trawl	51.12591N	11.19197 W
bt31	Beam Trawl	49.05389N	10.71266 W
bt32	Beam Trawl	49.47321N	9.72159 W
bt33	Beam Trawl	50.86629N	10.73346 W
bt34	Beam Trawl	50.28417N	10.35315 W
bt35	Beam Trawl	49.93118N	10.03063 W
bt46	Beam Trawl	49.30057N	8.74053 W
bt47	Beam Trawl	50.74256N	9.68254 W
bt48	Beam Trawl	48.87967N	8.20102 W
bt49	Beam Trawl	49.36712N	8.12872 W
bt50	Beam Trawl	51.77306N	10.59742 W
bt61	Beam Trawl	51.77407N	10.43454 W
bt62	Beam Trawl	51.42565N	9.09533 W
bt63	Beam Trawl	52.04024N	10.27708 W
bt64	Beam Trawl	51.59039N	8.66348 W
bt65	Beam Trawl	52.09756N	10.13407 W
bt76	Beam Trawl	51.25877N	9.24506 W
bt77	Beam Trawl	50.8027N	8.71339 W
bt78	Beam Trawl	50.00615N	8.86746 W
bt79	Beam Trawl	49.72291N	8.86141 W
bt80	Beam Trawl	51.06127N	9.00887 W

The survey will be conducted by the R.V. “**Celtic Explorer**” (Callsign: **EIGB**). The vessel will display all appropriate lights and signals during the survey and will also be listening on VHF Channel 16.

The vessel will be towing a Jackson demersal trawl or two four metre wide beam trawls during operations.

The Marine Institute would request that commercial fishing and other marine operators to 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 MI will make every effort to avoid gear adequately marked according to legislation¹ 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 above it is the responsibility of the owner to notify the survey managers or vessel directly. This should be communicated by identifying specifically which “Station” is of concern using the Appendix and contact details provided. 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 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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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) 6476834/1890213434. They are also available online at: www.irishstatutebook.ie.

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*Articles 917 of EU Regulation 4042011. Available at <http://eurlex.europa.eu>

For overview of regulations:

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

<p>For any technical assistance in relation to this Marine Notice, please contact: The Marine Survey Office, Leeson Lane, Dublin 2, DO2 TR60, tel: +353-(0)1-678 3400. For general enquiries, please contact the Maritime Safety Policy Division, tel: +353-(0)1-678 3418. Written enquiries concerning Marine Notices should be addressed to: Maritime Safety Policy Division, Dept. of Transport, Tourism and Sport, Leeson Lane, Dublin 2, DO2 TR60, Ireland.</p>
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