



Marine
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Marine Management Organisation - Marine Licence requirement check

Introduction

The purpose of the MMO marine licence requirement checker tool is to assist prospective applicants to determine whether a marine licence is required in order to carry out an activity. The outcome produced is based on the answers provided. Prospective applicants are responsible for ensuring that the information supplied is correct. Providing false or misleading information may result in enforcement action being taken.

Date of check

22 Jan 2025

Summary

Based on the information provided the activity is one that meets the terms of a marine licence exemption set out in [Article 17 of the Marine Licence \(Exempted Activities\) Order 2011 \(as amended\)](#) and a marine licence is therefore not required.

This exemption is subject to the requirement that notification of the intention to carry out the activity is given to the MMO prior to the commencement of the activity.

Answers

Where will the activity take place?

In the 'Sea'

In which waters will the activity take place?

In English waters

What type of activity will be carried out?

Deposit of a substance or object

How will the substance or object be deposited?

From a vehicle or vessel

Based on the information provided the selected activity is a licensable activity and as such may require a marine licence.

You are advised to select an appropriate option and continue your check.

Check to see if an exemption applies or notify the MMO about an exempt activity

What does the deposit activity relate to?

Scientific investigation or research

What does the deposit activity relate to?

Scientific instruments and associated equipment

Is the object to be deposited a scientific instrument or equipment associated with such an instrument?

Yes

Is the instrument or equipment to be deposited as part of a scientific experiment or survey?

Yes

Will the scientific instrument or associated equipment to be deposited be tethered to the 'Seabed'?

No

Will the scientific instrument or associated equipment to be deposited reduce navigational clearance by more than 5% by reference to 'chart datum'?

No

Will the activity cause or be likely to cause an obstruction or danger to navigation?

No

Will the activity take place in or within 200m of a Marine Protected Area (MPA)?

No

Is the deposit made for the purpose of disposal?

No