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COMMISSIONERS OF IRISH LIGHTS

NOTICE TO MARINERS

CAUTION

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The Commissioners of Irish Lights request mariners navigating around the coast of Ireland to exercise the greatest care to avoid damage to Aids to Navigation.

Mariners should give all Aids to Navigation a wide berth, paying particular attention to the strength of wind and tide.

When an Aid to Navigation fails there is significant risk to the mariner and the environment, and it is essential that the relevant authorities are informed immediately so that any loss of service can be restored as quickly as possible.

All are requested to report immediately a defect with any Aid to Navigation to the Irish Lights 24-Hour Monitoring Centre telephone number +353-1-2801996, or to the Coast Guard.

The Merchant Shipping Acts make provision for the imposition of a fine on any person who wilfully or negligently runs foul of, makes fast to, interferes with or damages any Lighthouse, Buoy, Beacon, or any other Aid to Navigation and such person will be liable for the recovery of the expenses for making good any resulting damage.

The Commissioners of Irish Lights operate a number of lighthouses at which boat landings exist. As these lighthouse sites are unmanned, the landings may no longer be maintained and the Commissioners of Irish Lights accepts no liability for injuries, or damage, loss, or harm of any kind resulting from unauthorised access to these sites. Entry to any such sites is undertaken entirely at the individual's own risk. Commissioners of Irish Lights disclaims all responsibility for any consequences arising from such access.

Mariners are invited to contact the Navigation, Maritime & Consenting Department, Commissioners of Irish Lights (Operations@irishlights.ie) to comment on any aspect of the Aids to Navigation Service or on hazards to navigation around the coast of Ireland.



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