

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING between the Marine Management Organisation (MMO) and the Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authorities (IFCAs)

1. Aim of the Memorandum

This Memorandum agrees a coordinated approach to management for sustainable development of our seas, based on active engagement, shared information, cost-effective use of public resources, and effective marine planning and management of fisheries and marine environment by the Marine Management Organisation and the Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authorities.

The Memorandum recognises and respects the lead roles of both the IFCAs and the MMO to deliver fisheries and conservation management in the 0-6 and 6-12 nautical mile zones respectively.

2. Purpose of the Memorandum

- 2.1. The Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 (MaCAA) places a duty on Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authorities (IFCAs) to cooperate with public authorities that regulate or enforce activities in the sea within their districts. This includes the Marine Management Organisation (MMO), one of IFCAs' key delivery partners.
- 2.2. Correspondingly, Section 25 of the MaCAA describes how the MMO will provide specific services to public bodies including 'Advice Assistance & Training Facilities'. MMO is committed to work with IFCAs on a range of issues as set out in the Framework Document between MMO and Her Majesty's Government.
- 2.3. This Memorandum establishes the responsibilities of both parties and the general principles for their cooperation.
- 2.4. This Memorandum shall be effective from the date of its execution and shall continue until either side decides that it is no longer needed.
- 2.5. The MMO and the IFCAs agree that this Memorandum is not legally binding between them and does not create any legal rights or obligations. It is a statement of their shared intention to work together in a spirit of co-operation.

3. Roles and functions of the signatories

3.1. *Marine Management Organisation (MMO)*

- 3.1.1. The Government's vision for the MMO is of a professional and proactive marine manager, trusted by all stakeholders to make a significant contribution to the sustainable development of the marine area. The MMO will set a high standard in the UK and internationally for

planning in the marine and coastal environment, so delivering the Government's commitment to introduce a new framework for the seas that balances conservation, energy and other resource needs.

3.1.2. The MMO makes decisions on the majority of marine developments and, where it is not the decision-making body, is a key adviser on marine issues, bringing consistency to the decision-making process. As the Government's principal regulator, as well as its delivery body for English territorial waters and offshore marine areas (for those matters that are not devolved), the MMO delivers functions on behalf of a number of Government Departments. It also takes forward the policy interests of a wide range of Government Departments through its role in developing marine plans. By bringing together these marine management activities within a single organisation, the MMO is able to forge strong links between them. The combination of marine functions the MMO delivers, together with the knowledge and expertise it build ups, enables integrated implementation of Government policy for the marine area.

3.2. *The Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authorities (IFCA's)*

3.2.1. The IFCA's are the lead fishery and conservation managers within the inshore 0-6 nautical mile zone. There are 10 inshore fisheries and conservation districts in England, made up of county and unitary authorities and their corresponding seaward areas out to a limit of 6 nautical miles from baselines. Each inshore fisheries and conservation district is served by a corresponding Authority (IFCA). The vision for all the IFCA is to *"lead, champion and manage a sustainable marine environment and inshore fisheries within their district, by successfully securing the right balance between social, environmental and economic benefits to ensure healthy seas, sustainable fisheries and a viable industry"*.

3.2.2. Under the MaCAA each IFCA is a statutory joint committee of those local authorities whose areas fall within the IFCA's district. The membership of each IFCA must comprise members of those local authorities, persons appointed by the MMO for their knowledge of the local fishing community or for their knowledge and expertise in marine environmental matters, and other persons. This level of representation from the community is stipulated by the MaCAA Each IFCA is funded by contributions from those local authorities whose areas fall within the IFCA's district in the proportions stipulated in the Statutory Instrument establishing the IFCA. The duties and powers of the IFCA are set out in sections 153 – 184 of the MaCAA.

3.2.3. IFCA's assist central Government with the development of the national framework for managing the sea. They also work with Local Government to make and enforce distinct local policies and can work with adjacent IFCA across District boundaries for the benefit of all coastal communities.

3.3. Through adherence to the principles of this Memorandum, the MMO and IFCAs will work closely together to deliver their areas of mutual interest and to promote sustainable development in the marine area.

3.4. Comprehensive details about the working arrangements and activities which underpin this collaboration are included in Annexes to this MOU.

4. Principles of working together

4.1. A close working relationship between the MMO and IFCAs is critical for them both to perform their functions effectively. The MMO and IFCAs commit to the following shared key principles governing their approach and conduct, both at a national and a local level:

- The MMO and IFCAs each recognise and respect the independence and remit of the other party, but will seek to collaborate and cooperate wherever possible to achieve their objectives for the marine environment.
- Both organisations will work in an open and transparent manner while undertaking their responsibilities and will share successes as well as problems.
- The MMO and the IFCAs will involve and work with each other when operating in areas of shared interest or concern, with other delivery partners involved where appropriate and agreed.
- In all joint working, staff from both organisations will be respected and trusted for the expertise they offer.
- The MMO and the IFCAs will keep each other informed of any data, research, collected information, other work or developments that may influence the decision or activities of the other party. They will set up a data sharing agreement to undertake exchange of such information to the fullest extent possible, particularly where the information is necessary for either party to carry out their duties, and taking account of their respective obligations under the Data Protection Act 1998.

5. Methods of joint working

5.1. The MMO and IFCAs commit to not only sharing principles and working together on areas of mutual interest, but also to seek further opportunities to expand these principles and the shared working arrangements to maximise the benefits of their collaboration in the future. This will be enhanced by regularly exchanging information, collaborating on research, data- and intelligence-gathering at national and local levels, alerting each other to risks and opportunities and pooling expertise and resources when working together in order to avoid duplication of effort.

- 5.2. The MMO and IFCA's will aim to be open, constructive and collaborative at all levels, respecting each other's views and, where these differ, ensuring proper understanding of the reasons for any such differences.
- 5.3. The relationship will be based on a policy of transparency and "no surprises" with pre-notification and consultation on significant public or policy announcements where there are implications for the other party.
- 5.4. The MMO and IFCA's will aim to ensure consistent and coordinated messages and approaches when engaging with Government, delivery partners and the public.
- 5.5. The MMO and the IFCA's will identify and develop joint work plans for areas where resources, activities and expertise can be shared in order to minimise duplication of efforts wherever possible, including compliance management, training, science and evidence, and asset sharing. Overviews of these work plans will be included in annexes to this MOU.
- 5.6. The MMO and IFCA's will ensure regular contact throughout both organisations at all levels, to build relationships and facilitate honest and open dialogue.

6. Continuous Improvement

- 6.1. Senior officials (up to and including the CEO) of the MMO and Chief Officers of the IFCA's commit to twice-yearly meetings (these may be via video or telephone conferencing) on a national level to review the shared wider strategic context of the environment in which they operate and actively explore opportunities for the improvement of joint working practices.
- 6.2. In each IFCA district, MMO representatives to the IFCA and other relevant MMO officials will meet with IFCA Chief Officers twice yearly to review implementation of local action plans, which will set out specific working arrangements between MMO and each IFCA and will be included as Annexes to this MOU.

7. Review and appraisal of the Memorandum

This Memorandum will be reviewed annually by March 31 and, if necessary, following any pertinent changes to the policies, procedures or structures of the parties concerned.

8. Primary Contacts

The primary contacts regarding this Memorandum at the MMO are nominated in Annex 1. These primary contacts will be responsible for supporting good working relations and practices between the MMO and IFCA's, resolving any disagreements and monitoring the implementation of this Memorandum.

January 2014

9. Signatories

The following parties agree to the terms set out in this Memorandum:

Organisation	Chair	Chief Executive Officer
MMO	Chair	Chief Executive Officer
Signed on behalf of the IFCAs by the Association of IFCAs	Chair	Chief Executive Officer

Date of signature:

ANNEXES

- **Annex 1 - Overarching working arrangements for the MMO and IFCAs**
- **Annex 2 - Marine enforcement roles and responsibilities**

ANNEX 1 - Overarching working arrangements for the MMO and IFCA**Overarching contacts:****For the IFCA:**

Stephen Bolt, Chief Executive Officer, Association of IFCA

For MMO:

David Abbott, Head of Marine Compliance

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Isles of Scilly	Callum Gough, Senior Marine Officer, Penzance	Steve Watt, Chief Officer	maritime@scilly.gov.uk

Overarching areas of collaboration:

Work Area	Activity	Output	MMO contact	IFCA contact
1. Marine Nature Conservation	<p>MMO will consult relevant IFCA's on MMO permanent conservation byelaws that cover 0-6nm. IFCA's will provide timely input and assistance to the MMO for the development of these byelaws , including e.g. provision of evidence and publicity(as appropriate):</p> <p>MMO will consult relevant IFCA's on emergency and interim byelaws, in the 0-12nm area, when management overlaps and/or is adjacent to an IFCA district .</p> <p>MMO will work with relevant IFCA's if joint enforcement measures are needed in the 0-12nm area.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence for impact assessments. • Timely comments on consultation. • Process for communications/ consultations. 	Leanne Stockdale, Principal Environment Manager - Leading on MPA management and IFCA Byelaws	IFCA Chief Officers
	MMO will provide IFCA's with guidance on MMO conservation byelaws that cover 0-6nm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidance from MMO. • A means of regular reporting on enforcement activities. • Evidence for impact assessments. • Timely comments on consultation. • Process for communications/ consultations. 		
	Develop process for byelaws quality assurance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agreement on working arrangements for byelaws quality assurance. 		

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Coordinate on development of EMS management measures,, including stakeholder consultation and communications.	<p>MMO will coordinate the delivery of MPA management measures, reporting to Defra quarterly.</p> <p>MMO will inform IFCA on offshore MPA management measures that may impact on IFCA districts.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarterly meeting with MES in fisheries Project Board and Implementation Group, to report on progress. • Coordinated messages and engagement with stakeholders . • 	Leanne Stockdale, Principal Environment Manager - Leading on MPA management and IFCA Byelaws	
2. IFCA Byelaw quality assurance	MMO to provide assistance and timely input to IFCA when they make byelaws that cover 0-6 nm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interpretation of Defra guidance from MMO. • Evidence for impact assessments. • Timely comments on consultation. • Process for communications/ consultations. • Seek to develop agreed interpretation of byelaw restrictions (e.g. conditions and variations in IFCA permits). • Develop 'Template Byelaws' with agreed structure/wording. 	Leanne Stockdale Principal Environment Manager - Leading on MPA management and IFCA Byelaws	IFCA Chief Officers
	Develop process for byelaws quality assurance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agreement on working arrangements for byelaws quality assurance. 		

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3. Sea fisheries resources management	<p>Coordination, development, and where possible harmonisation of measures and regulation for fisheries management and conservation.</p> <p>Joint working and coordination on development of new and improved management measures and in the implementation of policy developments</p> <p>Early notice of new developments within fisheries management and regulation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consistency in the formulation and implementation of fisheries management measures, while allowing flexibility for local variations. • Development of innovative and effective management measures based on the joint experience and knowledge of MMO and the IFCA • Coordinated approach to implementation of policy developments 	David Abbot, Head of Marine Compliance	
	Joint working and coordination of the implementation of CFP reform	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinated approach to the implementation of CFP reform 	Angus Radford, South eastern marine Area Manager & MMO CFP Reform lead	
	Share information and advice on issues relevant to vessel licensing (e.g. MMO consulting IFCA on mussel seed licensing)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fishing vessel licensing informed by IFCA 	Hubert Gieschen, Vessel Licensing Manager	
	Develop agreed process for coordination on requests for dispensation from fisheries management regulations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinated approach to dispensations from fisheries management regulations. 	Estelle Groark	

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<p>4. Enforcement and compliance</p>	<p>Taken forward via the National Coastal Marine Enforcement Working Group, Regional joint Enforcement Groups, IFCA Committee work and regular joint enforcement planning by each IFCA and their MMO representative</p> <p>Collaboration on the production and delivery of outcome focussed focussed compliance Control Plans.</p> <p>Agree joint enforcement/cross warranting of enforcement officers for fisheries activities, in consultation with the MMO Marine conservation and Enforcement Team where warranting is specific to nature conservation issues.</p> <p>Anticipate broader range of cross-warranting & how enforcement officers from different agencies work together</p> <p>Agree arrangements for information exchange related to compliance and enforcement.</p> <p>Sharing of risk based process frameworks on which compliance activities are based.</p> <p>Cross warranting of MMO and IFCA officers as appropriate.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effective joint enforcement • Enforcement officers are clear about joint working arrangements. • Case-by-case advice on enforcement in areas of joint interest. • Increased understanding of Compliance issues and priorities between authorities. • Deconflict enforcement actions 	<p>Gary Owen Head of Compliance and Implementation</p>	<p>IFCA Chief Officers</p>

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	MMO will administrate warrants for IFCA enforcement officers in line with procedures and charges policy for warrants issued by the MMO.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Warrant cards supplied on time and in correct format and in line with MMO policy 	Steve Johnston, Learning and Development Manager	
	<p>Work towards appropriate, cost effective IFCA access to MCSS to support IFCA duties; as primed by Defra SFC/IFCA transitional funding:</p> <p>Development of agreed acceptable use policy and support EDKM in development of data sharing agreement for MCSS</p> <p>Development of suitable access (e.g. via Citrix) for relevant IFCA staff.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IFCAs and MMO can access and input compliance/activity information to enable IFCA/MMO management in accordance with risk based systems (including FAPs) Increased understanding of Compliance issues and priorities between authorities. 	David Abbott Head of Marine Compliance	IFCA Chief Officers
	Development of inshore vessel monitoring systems appropriate for the needs of IFCA management inshore and to comply with national reporting for under 12m vessels.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cost effective remote monitoring that suits needs of both marine managers. 	Katie Hill, Senior Marine Officer (Nature Conservation)	

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<p>5. Marine vessel provision</p>	<p>Develop agreements on MMO use of IFCA vessels as part of wider MMO procurement exercise</p> <p>As far as practical forward planning on MMO requirements for IFCA vessels to support IFCA planning needs.</p> <p>Develop joint operation objectives</p> <p>Application of integrated risk and outcome focussed approach for marine operations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better provision of marine assets that can support MMO requirements. • Charter Agreements. • Suitable plans/targets. 	<p>David Abbott Head of Marine Compliance</p>	<p>IFCA Chief Officers</p>

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6. Marine Planning	Establish mechanisms for engagement with IFCA's on marine plans to ensure input and support, including definition of roles and opportunities during and post marine plan production.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidance to IFCA's on their involvement with marine plans. • Case-by-case advice on marine plans. • Effective two-way liaison including the sharing of information on emerging issues with marine planning related impacts. • Effective two-way liaison including the sharing of information on emerging issues with marine planning related impacts. • Joint working in utilisation of surgeries, drop in meetings and activities to support dissemination of information to stakeholders. 	Russell Gadbury, Marine Planning Manager	IFCA Chief Officers
	IFCA's to establish internal procedure for input to marine plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consistent and early input to marine planning process across IFCA's. 	Russell Gadbury, Marine Planning Manager	IFCA Chief Officers
	Jointly establish cross-border working arrangements for relevant plans – WAG, MMO, IFCA's, EA, SEPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cross border liaison and co-operation. • Consistency across marine management groups. 	Russell Gadbury, Marine Planning Manager	IFCA Chief Officers

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7. Marine Licensing	MMO will publish guidance in 2014 for IFCA's on the circumstances under which the MMO marine licensing team will consult with IFCA's and the related process and procedure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidance for IFCA's on marine licensing, if applicable. • 	Dickon Howell Head of Marine Licensing	IFCA Chief Officers
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 		
8. Emergency Response	Arrangements for dealing with major marine emergency incidents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procedures for collaboration in responding to marine emergencies. 	Bernard Christie, Marine Environment Manager	IFCA Chief Officers
9. Consultation and communication	<p>Share communications plans and horizon scans for upcoming external announcements and developments</p> <p>Set out protocol for sharing and coordinating communications on reactive issues.</p> <p>Weekly communications catch-ups to coordinate on new developments and external communications</p> <p>Review of coordination mechanisms and working groups for joint working</p> <p>Joint activities to support information exchange, joint strategic planning and joint working between MMO and IFCA's, e.g. annual IFCA chair meeting, etc.</p> <p>Early notice and sharing of external announcements of new developments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clear procedures for consultation between IFCA's and MMO. • Effective two-way liaison and information exchange. • Clear working arrangements for coordinating on stakeholder engagement and communications . • Effective support for joint working 	<p>David Abbot, Head of Marine Compliance</p> <p>(Ulrika Gunnartz/Gill Stephenson)</p>	Stephen Bolt, Association of IFCA's

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10. IFCA Committees	MMO representative attends all IFCA Statutory meetings and relevant sub-groups, as applicable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MMO are able to input fully to IFCA Committees and their decision-making. • IFCA Committees are fully functional . 	David Abbott Head of Marine Compliance	IFCA Chief Officers
	Ensure that MMO representatives are supported in their work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MMO committee members are kept up to date with committee work. • IFCA committees are fully functional . • MMO Senior Management Team aware of IFCA Committees' forward programmes 		
	MMO to ensure recruitment of independent IFCA appointees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appropriate appointees recruited and inducted to take up post within 3 months of a new appointment being required. 		
11. Data collection, management, analysis and reporting	<p>To be taken forward through the Technical Advisory Group</p> <p>Establish data-sharing arrangements between IFCA's & MMO to support sea fisheries resources management, marine planning, licensing, conservation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procedures for data sharing. • Exchange of data. • Regular reporting on monitoring activities. • Access to necessary databases for input and reporting. • UK-wide picture of marine management and enforcement activities. 	Head of Knowledge and Information Management	Chairman of the Technical Advisory Group

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	MMO representation on the IFCA Technical Advisory Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Liaison on relevant data, research and sharing of expertise. 	Duncan Hume Data Manager (general data) Alistair Murray Statistician (fisheries data)	
12. Evidence – research and advice	<p>To be taken forward through the Technical Advisory Group and working closely with Defra Marine Science team.</p> <p>Work collaboratively where possible on common research needs.</p> <p>Awareness of relevant research</p> <p>Where relevant/possible enable/support funding streams that support strategic provision of evidence</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collaboration on research activities in line with MMO's Strategic Evidence Plan and the individual research plans of IFCA's. To identify and recognise existing key research work by MMO/IFCA that supports marine management e.g. Mapping of inshore fishing activity by IFCA's. 	Adam Cook Principal Evidence Specialist	Chairman of the Technical Advisory Group

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13. Training	<p>Agree and organise joint training on areas where IFCA's and MMO have a common approach including e.g. enforcement</p> <p>Develop joint accreditation schemes where appropriate</p> <p>Sharing of training plans and joint planning of capacity building.</p> <p>Opportunities for MMO to participate in IFCA TAG training needs.</p> <p>Joint accreditation schemes for enforcement officers taken forward through the Enforcement Training Group.</p> <p>The MMO/IFCA's will seek to recover reimbursement for the development and delivery costs of training solutions, when officers from other agencies attend.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical training plans, identification and access to suitable training courses for IFCA and MMO officers. • Defined and where possible integrated/comparable training development plans for officer roles. • Identification and development of MMO/IFCA structures/mechanisms through which to support areas of training. e.g. Joint Training Group, IFCA TAG, MMO Evidence, Data and Knowledge Management team, IFCA platforms for marine training. • Identification of potential routes for the joint accreditation of MMO and IFCA enforcement officers to drive common training standards across both organisations 	Steve Johnston Learning and Development Manager	IFCA Chief Officers
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15. Marine Strategy Framework Directive	Agree working arrangements between IFCA's & MMO to ensure Marine Strategy Framework Directive delivery is joined up and consistent.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procedures and advice. 	Victoria Metheringham Strategic Development Officer	Stephen Bolt, Association of IFCA

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<p>16. Local action plans and asset sharing</p>	<p>Identify opportunities for and develop arrangements for sharing of assets (e.g. office space, vessels, etc.). Regular local liaison group meetings (MMO, IFCA's & EA)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrangements for asset sharing included in local action plans and agreements for collaboration and as an annex to this MOU. • Rosters, rotas and/or monthly forward plans to help joint working arrangements. 	<p>MMO reps to the IFCA committees</p>	<p>IFCA Chief Officers</p>

Annex 2 – Responsibilities for marine enforcement in English waters under the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009

Enforcement of which legislation:	Seaward Limits (nm)	Lead post-Marine and Coastal Access Act (1)	Officers who could be cross-warranted (2)	Other officers who have powers to enforce (3)
Environment Agency fisheries legislation and byelaws (migratory and freshwater fish)	0 – 6	Environment Agency	IFCA / MMO/ Royal Navy	---
IFCA Byelaws (sea fish)	0 – 6	IFCA	Environment Agency / MMO / Royal Navy	---
UK sea fisheries legislation	0 – 6	IFCA / MMO	Environment Agency	Royal Navy
UK sea fisheries legislation	6 – 12	MMO	IFCA	Royal Navy
UK sea fisheries legislation	12 – 200	MMO	---	Royal Navy
EU sea fisheries legislation	0 – 6	MMO	Environment Agency / IFCA	Royal Navy
EU sea fisheries legislation	6 – 12	MMO	IFCA	Royal Navy
EU sea fisheries legislation	12 – 200	MMO	---	Royal Navy

Enforcement of which legislation:	Seaward Limits (nm)	Lead post-Marine and Coastal Access Act (1)	Officers who could be cross-warranted (2)	Other officers who have powers to enforce (3)
Marine environment licensing	0 – 200	MMO	---	Royal Navy
MMO Byelaws (including Marine Conservation Zones and European marine sites) and the general offence of damaging a Marine Conservation Zone	0 – 6	IFCA	Environment Agency	Royal Navy / MMO
MMO Byelaws (including Marine Conservation Zone and European marine sites) and the general offence of damaging a Marine Conservation Zone	6 - 12	MMO	IFCA	Royal Navy
General offence of damaging a Marine Conservation Zone	12 – 200	MMO	---	Royal Navy
Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, Conservation of Seals Act 1970	0 – 6	MMO	IFCA / Environment Agency	Police / Royal Navy
Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, Conservation of Seals Act 1970	6 - 12	MMO	IFCA	Police / Royal Navy
Offences under Habitats Regulations 1994	0 – 6	MMO	IFCA / Environment Agency	Police / Royal Navy

Enforcement of which legislation:	Seaward Limits (nm)	Lead post-Marine and Coastal Access Act (1)	Officers who could be cross-warranted (2)	Other officers who have powers to enforce (3)
Offences under Habitats Regulations 1994	6 - 12	MMO	IFCA	Police / Royal Navy
Offences under Habitats Regulations 2007	12 – 200	MMO	---	Royal Navy
Legislation applying in international waters	Beyond 200	MMO	---	Royal Navy

Notes

- (1) Responsibility for enforcing the legislation is with the organisation(s) listed under “Lead post-Marine and Coastal Access Act”.
- (2) Where it is appropriate, and with the agreement of both organisations, trained officers who could be cross-warranted to enforce that legislation are given in the “cross-warranted” column. It is not solely organisations listed here who could have staff cross-warranted to enforce the legislation: people from other organisations could be cross-warranted if appropriate and they had met the required training and competency standards.
- (3) Officers of organisations who have powers to enforce, but do not have a direct responsibility for ensuring compliance, are given in the final column. For example, enforcement of the MMO responsibilities for sea fisheries and nature conservation may be carried out under contract by the Royal Navy (RN). There are also some other officers appointed under the Act, such as those appointed by Welsh Ministers, who have powers to enforce some of the legislation but these have not been detailed here.