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## **Marine Licence with introductory note**

The Marine and Coastal Access Act (2009)

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Holyhead harbour Maintenance Dredge  
Disposal

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## **Holyhead harbour Maintenance Dredge Disposal Marine Licence number: DML2278**

### **Introductory note**

#### **This introductory note does not form a part of the marine licence**

The main features of the marine licence are as follows.

Disposal of dredged material from Holyhead harbour.

The status log of the marine licence sets out the marine licence history, including any subsequent marine licence variation(s)

| <b>Status log of this marine licence</b> |                 |                                                     |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Description</b>                       | <b>Date</b>     | <b>Comments</b>                                     |
| Application                              | 10 January 2023 | Application received and considered to be duly made |
| Date licence determined                  | 17 May 2023     | Determination date                                  |

#### **Related marine licences or applications under determination**

Not applicable

End of introductory note.

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## MARINE LICENCE, NUMBER DML2278

### 1 LICENCE DETAILS

#### 1.1 Marine Licence

This is a licence granted by the Licensing Authority in respect of an application numbered DML2278 and duly made on 10 January 2023 and authorises the Licence Holder to carry on activities for which a licence is required under Part 4 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009, (2009 Act). This licence should be interpreted in accordance with **Section 4**.

#### 1.2 Licence Holder

The Licence Holder is the company set out below:

Company name: **Stena Line Ports Ltd**  
Company number: **01593558**  
Address: **First Floor, 6 Arlington Street, London, England, SW1A 1RE**

#### 1.3 Licence Validity

|                    |                  |
|--------------------|------------------|
| Licence Start Date | 17 May 2023      |
| Licence End Date   | 31 December 2028 |
| Licence Issue Date | 17 May 2023      |

#### 1.4 Conditions

This licence is subject to the conditions set out in **Section 3**.

Signed:



**Dr. Emmer Litt – Marine Licensing Team Leader**

For and on behalf of the Licensing Authority

## 2 LICENSED ACTIVITIES

### 2.1 Project

#### Holyhead harbour Maintenance Dredge Disposal

The following Licensed Activities can be conducted within the Licence Period, within the Licensed Area and in accordance with the Approved Application and the Approved Supporting Documents:

**Table 1 Licensed Dredge / Disposal Activities**

| <b>Activity 1 Deposit of dredge material</b>                                                       |                                                |                  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Marine Licensable Activity Type                                                                    | Deposit                                        |                  |
| Description                                                                                        | Holyhead Harbour Maintenance Dredging Disposal |                  |
| Maximum Dredge Depth                                                                               | Chart Datum                                    |                  |
| Maximum Dredge volume and tonnage [for disposal only] for material to deposited under this licence | Sampled Specific Gravity                       | Tonnage per year |
|                                                                                                    | 1.5                                            | 99,000           |
| Maximum Deposit to Deposit Location [A]                                                            | Sampled Specific Gravity                       | Tonnage per year |
|                                                                                                    | 1.5                                            | 99,000           |
| Deposit Location [A]                                                                               | Site Code:                                     | Site Name:       |
|                                                                                                    | ISO43                                          | Holyhead North   |
| Material Type [A]                                                                                  | Silt                                           |                  |

### 2.2 Licensed Area

**Table 2 Area [Inner Harbour Refit and Public Quay] Dredge Zone 1**

| <b>Latitude</b> | <b>Longitude</b> |
|-----------------|------------------|
| 53.310333       | -4.631500        |
| 53.310000       | -4.627833        |
| 53.314667       | -4.626500        |
| 53.312833       | -4.624833        |

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**Table 3 Area [Inner Harbour Admiralty Pier] Dredge Zone 2**

| Latitude  | Longitude |
|-----------|-----------|
| 53.314667 | -4.626500 |
| 53.312833 | -4.624833 |
| 53.314667 | -4.616667 |
| 53.312833 | -4.616667 |

**Table 4 Area [Inner Harbour Fish Dock] Dredge Zone 3**

| Latitude  | Longitude |
|-----------|-----------|
| 53.312833 | -4.621000 |
| 53.312833 | -4.623167 |
| 53.312167 | -4.622167 |
| 53.311833 | -4.621000 |

**Table 5 Area [Terminal 3&5 and approaches] Dredge Zone 4**

| Latitude  | Longitude |
|-----------|-----------|
| 53.317167 | -4.619000 |
| 53.318667 | -4.622167 |
| 53.323000 | -4.610833 |
| 53.326500 | -4.616833 |

**Table 6 Area [Deep Water Berth & approaches] Dredge Zone 5**

| Latitude  | Longitude |
|-----------|-----------|
| 53.322333 | -4.620500 |
| 53.323167 | -4.623167 |
| 53.330000 | -4.618667 |
| 53.330000 | -4.614333 |

The Licence Holder is authorised to conduct the deposit activities described in Table 1 Activity 1 at the location bounded by the coordinates specified in Table 7.

**Table 7 Permitted Deposit Locations**

| Deposit Area ISO43 Holyhead North |           |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Latitude                          | Longitude |
| 53.333997                         | -4.825264 |
| 53.334194                         | -4.758646 |
| 53.391813                         | -4.758628 |
| 53.391832                         | -4.825276 |

In the event of any discrepancy between the coordinates set out above and the plan attached at Appendix 1, the coordinates shall take precedence.

### 2.3 Approved Supporting Documents

| Title/Description of Document                                          | Date Submitted   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| DML2278 Application Document Amendment pg4.pdf                         | 02 February 2023 |
| DML2278 Application document.pdf                                       | 30 November 2022 |
| DML2278 Holyhead Polygons v7.xlsx                                      | 03 May 2023      |
| DML2278 Plan of Holyhead Dredge Areas v2.pdf                           | 02 March 2023    |
| DML2278 Seabed Samples Report MAR01632<br>MMO_Results_Template v2.xlsm | 15 March 2023    |
| DML2278 Holyhead Biosecurity Plan 2023.docx                            | 13 December 2022 |
| DML2278 Wales National Marine Plan assessment .pdf                     | 12 December 2022 |
| DML2278 Seabed Samples Report MAR01632.pdf                             | 07 December 2022 |
| DML2278 Seabed Samples Report MAR01632.xls                             | 07 December 2022 |
| DML2278 Holyhead Water Framework Directive<br>assessment.pdf           | 30 November 2022 |

### 3 CONDITIONS

#### Notification and Inspection

##### 3.1 Notification of Commencement

- 3.1.1 The Licence Holder must notify the Licensing Authority no less than **10 days** before the commencement of the Licensed Activities, or an individual phase of the Licensed Activities, is expected to commence.
- 3.1.2 The Licence Holder must notify Welsh Government Marine & Fisheries Division (Control & Enforcement Branch) no less than **10 days** before the commencement of the Licensed Activities, or an individual phase of the Licensed Activities, is expected to commence.
- 3.1.3 The Licence Holder must ensure that Harbour Authority, local mariners and fishermen's organisations are made fully aware of the Licensed Activities through local notices to mariners **10 days** prior to the commencement of the Licensed Activities.

##### 3.2 Notification of Vessels and/or Vehicles

The Licence Holder must ensure that the details of the vessels and/or vehicles utilised to undertake the Licensed Activities are submitted to the Licensing Authority and Welsh Government Marine & Fisheries Division (Control & Enforcement Branch) at least **24 hours** prior to the commencement of the Licensed Activities.

##### 3.3 Notification of Agents/Contractors/Sub-contractors

The Licence Holder must ensure that details of any agent(s), contractor(s) or sub-contractor(s) utilised to undertake the Licensed Activities are submitted to the Licensing Authority at least **24 hours** prior to the commencement of Licensed Activities.

##### 3.4 Notification of HM Coastguard

The Licence Holder must ensure that HM Coastguard is made aware of the Licensed Activities at least **24 hours** prior to commencement by contacting The National Maritime Operations Centre at **zone31@hmcg.gov.uk**.

##### 3.5 Inspection of Licensed Activities

The Licence Holder must allow Marine Enforcement Officers or any other person authorised by the Licensing Authority to inspect the Works at any reasonable time.

##### 3.6 Notification of Completion

- 3.6.1 The Licence Holder must notify the Licensing Authority within **10 days** of completion of the Licensed Activities.

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- 3.6.2** The Licence Holder must notify Welsh Government Marine & Fisheries Division (Control & Enforcement Branch) within **10 days** of completion of the Licensed Activities.

### **3.7 Accident or Emergency**

- 3.7.1** If, by reason of force majeure any substances or articles are deposited otherwise than as permitted as part of the Licensed Activities or in the Licensed Area full details of the circumstances shall be notified to the Licensing Authority within **48 hours** of the incident occurring.

- 3.7.2** If it is necessary for the Licence Holder to recover or remove any equipment, plant or machinery used to undertake the Licensed Activities that have been dropped as a result of an accident or emergency, the Licence Holder is permitted to do so provided that the methodology for such recovery or removal has been approved by the Licensing Authority.

### **3.8 Distribution of Copies of this Licence**

The Licence Holder is required to ensure that a copy of this Licence is given to:

- All agent(s), contractor(s) and sub-contractor(s) whose names have been provided to the Licensing Authority under condition 3.3 and
- The Masters of any vessels and transport managers responsible for the vehicles employed in accordance with this Licence whose details have been submitted to the Licensing Authority under condition 3.2.

### **3.9 Inspection of Documents**

Copies of this Licence shall be made available at the following locations:

- at the address of the Licence Holder specified in section 1.2;
- at any site office, located at or adjacent to the Licensed Area, used by the Licence Holder or its agent(s), contractor(s) or sub-contractor(s) responsible for the loading transportation or deposit of any substances or articles permitted as part of the Licensed Activities;
- on board each vessel or vehicle carrying out Licensed Activities.

The documents referred to in this Condition shall be available at all reasonable times for inspection by officers appropriately authorised by the Licensing Authority and authorised Marine Enforcement Officers at the locations stated in that paragraph.

### **Vessels, Plant and Equipment**

#### **3.10 Notified Contractors, Vessels and/or Vehicles only to Carry out Licensed Activities**

Only those agent(s), contractor(s), sub-contractor(s), vessels and/or vehicles whose details have been notified to the Licensing Authority may operate under the terms of

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this Licence. Any changes must be notified to and be approved by the Licensing Authority in writing prior to any such agent, contractor, subcontractors or vehicles carrying out any Licensed Activities pursuant to or otherwise operating under this Licence.

### **3.11 Refuelling of Plant and Equipment**

The Licence Holder must ensure that plant, vehicles and machinery are not refuelled on the foreshore or in the sea.

### **3.12 Equipment, Structures and Access**

The Licence Holder must ensure that all equipment, temporary structures, access tracks, waste and/or debris associated with the Licensed Activities are removed on completion of the Licensed activities.

## **Safety**

### **3.13 Removal of Deposited Material**

If the Licensing Authority considers it necessary or advisable for the safety of navigation, the Licence Holder must remove any deposit specified by the Licensing Authority or Marine Enforcement Officers within one month of notice being given by the Licensing Authority, and shall not replace such material until the Licensing Authority has given its written approval.

## **Pollution control**

### **3.14 Pollution Prevention**

The Licence Holder must ensure that pollution prevention best practice is adhered to at all times. Any incidents must be reported to the Licensing Authority as soon as possible using the hotline number **0300 065 3000**.

### **3.15 Spillage of Pollutants**

The Licence Holder must employ bunding, storage facilities and spill kits to contain and prevent the release of fuel, oils and chemicals associated with the plant, refuelling and construction equipment into the marine environment. Secondary containment must be used with a capacity of **no less than 110%** of the container's storage capacity

### **3.16 Prevention of Disposal of Man-made Debris**

The Licence Holder must ensure that all reasonable precautions are taken to prevent the disposal of man-made debris to the marine environment. Such material must be removed immediately and be disposed of appropriately. If it is not possible to prevent manmade debris from entering the marine environment during the Licensed Activities, the Licensed Activities must cease immediately.

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### **3.17 Cleanliness of Equipment**

The Licence Holder must ensure that equipment, machinery and PPE are washed with freshwater and/or thoroughly airdried before deployment and before moving between locations.

### **Activity-specific Conditions**

#### **3.18 Sediment Sampling Plan**

The Licence Holder must request a sediment sampling plan from the Licensing Authority by **13 May 2025**, and repeated for the **13 May 2028**.

#### **3.19 Implementation of Sediment Plan**

The Licence Holder must ensure that the sampling is undertaken in accordance with the sampling plan described in condition 3.18 and is analysed at an NRW approved laboratory.

#### **3.20 Submission of Results of Sediment Sampling**

The Licence Holder must submit the written results of the sediment sampling undertaken pursuant to condition 3.18 for written approval by the Licensing Authority within **two months** of sampling taking place. This must include an outline of an assessment of alternative uses for the sediment that is to be disposed.

#### **3.21 Approval for Continued Disposal Activity**

The Licence Holder must ensure no Disposal is carried out after the following dates without written approval from the Licensing Authority: **13 September 2025** and **13 September 2028**.

#### **3.22 Disposal Returns**

**3.22.1** Certified returns of quantities of substances or articles deposited under this Licence are required to be submitted by **31 January** and **31 July** each year. The returns must specify the full Licence number and amount deposited (tonnage) each calendar month at each authorised Deposit Area. Where no deposit is made in a given period a NIL return is required.

**3.22.2** If this Licence expires during the course of the calendar year and is not superseded by a further Licence relating to the Licenced Activities, a certified return of quantities of substances or articles deposited under this Licence shall be submitted not later than **28 working days** after the Licence End Date.

#### **3.23 Inspection of Disposal Vessel**

Subject to meeting any mandatory health and safety obligations, the Licence Holder must provide, at reasonable notice, access and, if necessary, appropriate transportation to the disposal vessel to facilitate any inspection that the Licensing Authority, or Marine Enforcement Officers consider may be necessary.

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### **3.24 Record of Quantity of Deposited Material**

The Licence Holder must keep a log detailing the time, date, location and quantity of material deposited at sea. This log must be available for inspection by appropriately authorised officers of the Licensing Authority and Marine Enforcement Officers.

### **3.25 Distribution of Material**

The Licence Holder must ensure that during the course of disposal, material is distributed evenly over Deposit Area specified in Table 7 (ISO43, Holyhead North).

### **3.26 Log of Operations**

The Licence Holder must ensure that the Master or the Officer of the Watch of each vessel, as referred to condition 3.10 of this Licence, undertaking the deposit of any substances or articles specified in Table 1 of this Schedule, shall maintain a written log of operations recording the following information:

- the name of the vessel;
- the quantity and type of each substance or article loaded for deposit;
- the date and time of departure from the port or site at which the substances or articles are loaded for deposit in the sea and time of arrival (and date if different) at the Deposit Area on each occasion that it proceeds to and from such area;
- latitude and longitude position (in degrees and minutes and decimal of a minute to at least one decimal place) of the deposit within the Deposit Area.

### **3.27 Approval of Schemes/Plans**

**3.27.1** The Licence Holder must submit a an updated Biosecurity Risk Assessment (based on 'DML2278 Holyhead Biosecurity Plan 2023', 13 December 2022) to the Licensing Authority for written approval at least **6 weeks** prior to commencement of the Licensed Activities. No Works may be undertaken prior to written approval from the Licensing Authority.

**3.27.2** The Licence Holder must ensure that any actions outlined in the documents detailed in condition(s) 3.27.1 are implemented as approved in writing by the Licensing Authority. Any proposed changes to the actions outlined in the documents must be submitted to, and approved in writing by the Licensing Authority prior to any changes being enacted.

### **3.28 Reporting of Artefacts**

The Licence Holder must ensure that any artefacts accidentally recovered are retained and reported through the Marine Portable Antiquities Scheme

#### 4 INTERPRETATION

In this Licence terms are as defined in section 115 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act unless otherwise stated.

- (a) **"2009 Act"** means the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009;
- (b) **"Approved Application"** means the Marine Licence Application Form together with the Approved Supporting Documents;
- (c) **"Approved Supporting Documents"** means the documents supporting, or supplementary to, the Approved Application, submitted prior to the Licence Issue Date, listed in the Table at paragraph 2.3 above;
- (d) **"Commencement"** means the first undertaking of any Licensed Activities;
- (e) **"Force majeure"** may be deemed to apply when, due to stress of weather or any other cause, the master of a vessel determines that it is necessary to deposit the substances or articles because the safety of human life and/or of the vessel is threatened;
- (f) **"Licensed Activities"** means the activities authorised by this licence as specified in 2.1;
- (g) **"Licensed Area"** means the area within which Licensed Activities are authorised by this licence as specified in section 2.2;
- (h) **"Licence Holder"** means the person(s) or organisation(s) named in section 1.2 to whom this licence is granted;
- (i) **"Licence Period"** means the period beginning with the Licence Start Date and ending on the Licence End Date;
- (j) **"Licensing Authority"** means Natural Resources Wales acting on behalf of the Welsh Ministers;
- (k) **"Marine Enforcement Officers"** means the relevant officers appointed by Welsh Ministers under section 235 of the 2009 Act, contact details for whom are provided in section 5;
- (l) **"Marine Licence Application Form"** means the application form forming part of the application referred to in paragraph 1.1;
- (m) **"Method Statement"** means the Method Statement(s) forming part of the Approved Application or Approved Supporting Documents;

- (n) **“Works”** means any construction activities comprised in the Licensed Activities and, where the context permits, includes any plant, equipment or materials used to carry out those activities or operations but excludes monitoring, minor routine maintenance or other ongoing operational activities following completion of any construction activities;
- (o) all times shall be taken to be the time in Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) on any given day;
- (p) all co-ordinates shall be taken to be latitude and longitude decimal degree (WGS 84)
- (q) in the event of any discrepancy between the coordinates listed in paragraph 2.2 and the plan attached at Appendix 1, the coordinates shall take precedence.

## **5 CONTACTS**

**Except where otherwise indicated, the primary point of contact with the Licensing Authority and the address for returns, correspondence and requests for variations of the licence is:**

Marine Licensing Team  
Natural Resources Wales  
Permitting Service  
29 Newport Road  
Cambria House  
Cardiff  
CF24 0TP

Tel: 0300 065 3000  
Email: [marinelicensing@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk](mailto:marinelicensing@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk)

**Welsh Government Marine Enforcement Officers may be contacted at:**

Welsh Government  
Suite 3  
Cedar Court  
Haven's Head Business Park  
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Appendix 1



