

Notice to Mariners

Vessels and General Safety Advice

Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution (SHEPD)

Date of Issue: 9th June 2025

Please be advised that Briggs Marine Contractors (on behalf of SHEPD) will be undertaking earthing works within the nearshore environment at Shapinsay.

Please refer to Figure 1, that shows the location of the full cable route, the working area is defined by the red box. Please also refer to Table 1 overleaf, which lists the coordinates.



Figure 1 - Overview of Shapinsay cable route and working area

Works at Shapinsay are expected to commence 26th June and are expected to take 1 day to complete (weather permitting).

Cable	Lat	Long
Shapinsay	59° 1.809'N	2° 55.459'W
	59° 1.812'N	2° 55.533'W
	59° 1.870'N	2° 55.481'W
	59° 1.869'N	2° 55.535'W

Table 1 – Coordinates of working area

Work Description

Site personnel will be trenching an existing sea earth wire and deploying a clump weight 30m out from Mean Low Water Springs. Shore Worker 1 support boat will be utilised to offer support to personnel.

Operations will be conducted during daylight hours only and are weather/tide dependent.

Vessel Type



Figure 2 - Shore Worker 1 support boat

Primary equipment

Shore worker 1 support boat

Contact Details

The contact details are given in the tables below:

Site contact:	
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Legal Notice

Please be advised that this Notice to Mariners should be treated as official notice of the nature, duration and location of the works which are scheduled to take place. During the period of this notice, we request that you plan your activities around our short-term, temporary activities.

Any failure to remove equipment or entry into the identified location in a manner that would constitute a hazard may be a breach of your duties of safe seamanship as described in the Convention on International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea 1972 and/or the Merchant Shipping Act 1995 and may result in removal of the relevant equipment. Failure to remove equipment or entry into the identified location in a manner that would constitute a hazard may constitute a breach of duty of care at common law, and a failure to protect submarine cables for successful seabed user co-existence under Scotland's National Marine Plan.

SHEPD shall found on this notice in the event of any damage, loss or disruption arising from failure to heed the information herein.

Fisheries Liaison Officers

Fishing liaison for the cable installation works will be co-ordinated by Brown and May Marine (BMM). For any commercial fishery queries please contact the Company Fishing Liaison Officers (CFLOs) Alex Winrow-Giffin on 07760 160039, alex@brownmay.com or Meg Kalafat on 07702 710176, meg.kalafat@brownmay.com.

The local Fishing Industries Representative (FIR) Chris Davidson (07810 305100), cad17@hotmail.co.uk will also be in place to liaise with the vessels and fishing operations in the area.

Further Details

Further enquiries should be addressed to the following people:

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Distribution List

Any stakeholders identified within the relevant Fishing Liaison Management Action Plan (FLMAP), will be included on the distribution list for this NtM.