

Application for a Maritime Usage Licence under the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021

Important Information

Before completing this form please read the declaration and consent at the end of the application form

It is important to note that a change in applicant name will require a new application.

This application and supporting documentation should be submitted by email to licence@mara.gov.ie

Please complete the form electronically. Type details in the boxes provided, space will expand as you type. Please complete form to a high level, i.e. give comprehensive answers to questions, answers which only reference supporting documentation are not sufficient.

Maritime Usage Licence:

Part 5 (sections 110 to 133) of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 (MAPA) provides for the granting of maritime usage licences.

Section 112 of the Act states that the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (MARA) is the competent authority for the purposes of Part 5 of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) regulations 2011 ([S.I No. 477 of 2011](#)) and appropriate assessments to which that Part applies.

Section 114 of the Act states that the Minister may by regulations provide for class of Schedule 7 usage to be exempted usage for the purposes of this Part.

[Schedule 7](#) of the Act lists the Maritime Usages that may be undertaken in the maritime area pursuant to licence.

[Schedule 8](#) of the Act lists the types of conditions that MARA may attach to a licence.

Privacy Policy:

MARA may require you to provide certain personal data in order to carry out our legislative and administrative functions. MARA will treat all personal data that you provide as confidential and will process your details in accordance with its obligations under data protection legislation, including the Data Protection Act 2018 and the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

A Privacy Statement explaining how MARA, as the Data Controller, will process the personal data you provide, how that information will be used and what rights you may exercise in relation to your personal data, is available in this link: [Privacy Statement](#).

Freedom of Information (FOI)/ Access to Information on the Environment (AIE)

Applicants should be aware that under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 and the European Communities (Access to Information on the Environment) Regulations 2007 to 2018, information provided by them to MARA may be liable to be disclosed.

Applicants are asked to consider if any of the information supplied by them in their application should not be disclosed and clearly identify the specific sections of their application containing such information, specifying the reasons for its confidentiality/sensitivity. MARA will consult with applicants about this information before making a decision on any Freedom of Information/Access to Information on the Environment request received.

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Part 1: Applicant Information	
1.1 Applicant Details	
Name of Applicant (the name that will appear on the licence)	Port of Cork Company
Company/Organisation (if applicable)	Port of Cork Company
Address/Company Address	Tivoli Terminal Building, Tivoli Dock & Industrial Estate, Tivoli, Cork
Eircode/Postcode	T23YNT9
Contact Name within Company/Organisation	██████████
Contact Phone No.	██████████
Contact Email Address	██████████
Is the company registered in Ireland for tax purposes?	Yes

1.2 Contact Details (if different from above)	
Full Name	
Address	
Eircode/Postcode	
Contact Name	
Contact Phone No.	
Contact Email Address	

1.3 Agent Representing Applicant (if applicable)	
Person/Agency acting on behalf of Applicant	
Address	
Eircode/Postcode	
Contact Name (if applicable)	
Contact Phone No.	
Contact Email address	

1.4 Applicant's Legal Advisor (if applicable)	
Name/Company Name	
Address	
Eircode/Postcode	
Contact Name (if applicable)	
Contact Phone No.	
Contact Email address	

<u>Part 2: Proposal Details (Attach additional documents as required)</u>	
2.1	In relation to this application, have you previously applied for a declaration as to whether or not a licence was required for this usage? If so, please provide the reference number associated with that application.
	No.
2.2	Specify the Maritime Usage(s) being applied for with reference to Schedule 7 of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 as amended:
	The deposit of any substance or object, either in the sea or on or under the seabed, from— (a) a vehicle, vessel (including a craft capable of travelling on, in or under water, whether or not self-propelled), boat, aircraft or marine structure (other than a pipeline),
2.3	Description of proposed Maritime Usage.
	Deposition of dredged marine sediments from Ringaskiddy Basin to facilitate berth extensions with capacity to support Offshore Renewable Energy.
2.4	Describe the nature and scale of any structure to be erected in the maritime area.
	No structure. Not applicable.
2.5	Proposed licence duration and reasons for proposed duration.
	11 years. To correspond with duration of associated MAC20230004
2.6	Indicative timing of the works/activity: (i) Start date (ii) Duration (iii) Any other information relevant to timing.
	(i) August 2025 (ii) 2 separate mobilisations both 2/3 months (iii) N/A
2.7	Do the proposed maritime usages provide for public use, commercial use or private use? Provide details.
	Commercial use. Deposition of marine sediment dredged to facilitate berth extensions capable of supporting ORE at Ringaskiddy.
2.8	Could the proposed works restrict public use/enjoyment of the nearshore e.g. fishing, sailing, surfing, swimming, walking or other activities? Provide details.
	No. Transitory use of established (1978) spoil ground.
2.9	Please outline any engagements that have taken place with marine users or other stakeholders in the proposed area that may be affected by the proposal and attach supporting documentation where relevant.
	Current associated Dumping at Sea Permit Applications S0021-03 & S0039-01 both included public consultation. Expired Foreshore Licence FS006408 on the proposed area for the same purpose also included public consultation.
2.10	Describe briefly any consultations undertaken with other relevant authorities (e.g. Local Authority, Port/Harbour authority etc.) or State Agencies. e.g. National Parks & Wildlife Service, National Monuments Service of Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

<p>Proposed usage is associated with current grant of planning which included consultation with the Local Authority and numerous state agencies. Applicant is the Port Authority. Current associated Dumping at Sea Permit Applications S0021-03 & S0039-01 under consideration by EPA, both include consultation with National Monuments Service of Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.</p>
<p>2.11 Please provide the reference number and title of any existing Foreshore licence you may hold within the footprint, or otherwise in the vicinity of the proposed Maritime Usage area.</p>
<p>The applicant holds Foreshore Licence FS007126 for Maintenance Dredging which includes the footprint of the proposed Maritime Usage area.</p>
<p>2.12 Please provide the reference number of any current application for a Foreshore Licence to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage. Does this application for a foreshore licence relate to or impact any part of the maritime area the subject of this licence application? If so, please provide details of the foreshore licence application.</p>
<p>Not applicable</p>
<p>2.13 What environmental reports, if any, have you submitted with this application? (Supporting information for screening for Appropriate Assessment/ Natura Impact Statement/ Risk Assessment for Annex IV Species/ Assessment of Impact on the Maritime Usage Report)</p>
<p>Report to Inform Screening for Appropriate Assessment, Natura Impact Statement, Risk Assessment for Annex IV Species, Sediment Plume Dispersion Assessment, Survey of Benthic Habitats at the Port of Cork Licensed Dumpsite off Power Head including notes on Fisheries and an Impact Hypothesis, Assessments of Impacts of the Marine Usage (AIMU).</p>

<u>Part 3: Location and Spatial Extent of Proposed Maritime Area</u> (Attach additional documents as required)	
3.1	Location of proposed Maritime Usage
4.5km south of Power Head. WGS84 coordinates: 51°43.00' N 8°10.18' W 51°43.00' N 8°09.00' W 51°44.50' N 8°09.00' W 51°44.50' N 8°10.18' W	
3.2	Total size of the proposed Maritime Area (in m², ha or km², as appropriate).
377.82ha	
3.3	Please provide the distance of the main body of the proposed maritime area from the shore at its closest point in km.
4.5km south of Power Head	
3.4	Is any of the maritime area in the proposed site in private ownership? If yes please provide documentary evidence of same (e.g. folio).
No	
3.5	Any other site details considered relevant:
Established disposal site since 1978 (reduced size since 1996).	

<p style="text-align: center;">Part 4: Maps and Drawings. Please refer to Technical Guidance on map and drawing requirements.</p>	
4.1	Please draft a map, titled “Licence Map”, outlining the proposed Maritime Area in accordance with the Technical Guidance for Maritime Area Licence Applications and submit same with this application.
4.2	Please submit GIS Shapefiles, in accordance with the Applicant Technical Guidance Note and submit same with this application.
4.3	Please list any Admiralty Charts, Maps, GIS Shapefiles and/or other Drawings submitted with this application.
	Drawing - 24462-MWP-ZZ-ZZ-DR-C-0002-P02 Licence Map Shapefile – GIS File Licence Map Drawing – 24462-MWP-ZZ-ZZ-DR-C-0003 Herring Spawning Beds Proposed Maritime Usage Area

Part 5: Fishing/Aquaculture Considerations:	
5.1	Is the proposal located in proximity to any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• aquaculture operation• designated Shellfish Growing Waters• fish spawning ground• other sensitive fisheries location <p>Please Illustrate on appropriate chart including distance in Km.</p>
	Herring Spawning Beds – See attached drawing.
5.2	Are there other potential impacts of the proposal on fishing/aquaculture in the area? If yes, please describe.
	Sediment plume dispersion modelling indicates limited dispersion during disposal operations but below mitigation measures will be implemented during spawning periods.
5.3	Are there any measures proposed to mitigate potential impacts on fisheries or aquaculture? If yes, please describe.
	Disposal operations will not occur during the months of February and November as per Dumping at Sea Permit applications.

Declaration and Consent:

The details provided here are correct to the best of my knowledge.

I understand that no works will be commenced, by the applicant or the applicant's agents on the proposed site, without a valid licence from MARA. The granting of any Maritime Usage Licence will not give rise on the part of the applicant to any expectation whatsoever for, right or entitlement to a grant of any future licence in respect of all or any part of any area of the Maritime Area.

By submitting this application form, the applicant agrees that the details provided (with personal contact details redacted) are to be published on MARA's website and also that the full information provided including contact details are to be processed and retained by MARA and shared with all relevant public authorities in furtherance of consideration for a Maritime Usage Licence under the MAPA.

I give consent to MARA and its agents to copy this application and to make (a redacted) copy available for inspection and copying by the public. This consent relates to this application, to supporting documentation submitted with the application, to any further information, or submission provided by the applicant or on the applicant's behalf, including any supplementary material submitted in response to a minded to determine notice in respect of this licence application, and to the publication of the licence document.

Signed for and on behalf of the applicant:

Name of Signatory (block letters):

Position Held:

Port Engineer

Date:

04/03/2025

Applicant Checklist	
Document	Included
Application Form (Parts 2 to 5 inclusive)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Supporting Information for Screening for Appropriate Assessment (SISAA) Report	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Risk Assessment for Annex IV Species Report	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Natura Impact Statement (NIS), if initially included	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Assessment of Impact of the Maritime Usage (AIMU) Report	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Schedule of Works	<input type="checkbox"/>
Licence Mapping (including GIS Shapefiles)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other (Please list below)	

Other