STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2011 No. 663

OFFSHORE INSTALLATIONS

The Offshore Installations (Safety Zones) Order 2011

 Made
 2nd March 2011

 Coming into force
 28th March 2011

The Secretary of State makes this Order —

- (a) in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 22(1) and (2) of the Petroleum Act 1987(a) ("the Act"); and
- (b) for the purpose of giving effect to proposals submitted to him by the Health and Safety Executive under section 24(2A) of the Act.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Offshore Installations (Safety Zones) Order 2011 and comes into force on 28th March 2011.

Establishment of safety zone

2. A safety zone is established around each installation specified in column 1 of the Schedule (being installations stationed in waters to which subsection (7) of section 21 of the Petroleum Act 1987 applies) having a radius of five hundred metres, as respects that installation, from the point which has the co-ordinates of latitude and longitude according to the World Geodetic System 1984(**b**) specified in columns 2 and 3 of the Schedule.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions

Chris Grayling, Minister of State Department for Work and Pensions

2nd March 2011

⁽a) 1987 c.12; section 24(2A) was inserted by S.I. 1993/1823 and is amended by S.I. 2008/960.

⁽b) The World Geodetic System 1984 ("WGS 84") defines a reference frame for the earth, for use in geodesy and navigation. It was developed by the United States' National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency and is maintained by it. WGS 84 is defined at paragraph 2.1 of the United States' National Imagery and Mapping Agency Technical Report TR8350.2, third edition, amendment 1 of 3rd January 2000 entitled "Department of Defense World Geodetic System 1984" (http://earth-info.nga.mil/GandG/publications/tr8350.2/wgs84fin.pdf).

SCHEDULE SAFETY ZONE

(1)	(2)	(3)
Name or other designation of the offshore installation	Latitude North	Longitude
Kinnoull Towhead Block 16/23, Andrew Field	58°14.23'	01°34.21' East
Clair Ridge Block 206/8, Clair Field	60°44.18'	02°29.65' West
Falcon Well P1 Block 210/25, Falcon Field	61°19.80'	00°59.36' East

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order establishes, under section 22 of the Petroleum Act 1987, a safety zone having a radius of 500 metres from the specified point, around each installation specified in the Schedule to this Order and stationed in waters to which section 21(7) of that Act applies (these include territorial waters and waters in areas designated under section 1(7) of the Continental Shelf Act 1964 (c.29)).

Vessels, which for this purpose include hovercraft, submersible apparatus and installations in transit, are prohibited from entering or remaining in a safety zone except with the consent of the Health and Safety Executive or in accordance with regulations made under section 23(1) of the Act (currently the Offshore Installations (Safety Zones) Regulations 1987 (S.I. 1987/1331)).

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