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The Marine Licensing (Notices Appeals) (Amendment) Regulations 2026

Made - - - -	***
Coming into force - -	*4th January 2027*

The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 108 and 316(1) of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009(**a**).

The Secretary of State is the appropriate licensing authority under section 113(2)(a), (4)(a), (6)(a) and (8) of that Act(**b**).

In accordance with section 316(6)(b), (7)(f) and (10) of that Act, a draft of these Regulations has been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, each House of Parliament.

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Marine Licensing (Notices Appeals) (Amendment) Regulations 2026 and come into force on 4th January 2027.

(2) These Regulations extend to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

(**a**) 2009 c. 23. Section 108(2A) was inserted by section 79 of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016 (anaw 3) and is amended by section 232(6) of the Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 (c. 55).

(**b**) By virtue of section 113(2)(a), (4)(a), (6)(a) and (8) of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009, the Secretary of State is the "appropriate licensing authority" as respects anything done in the course of carrying out certain activities in the Scottish offshore region, Wales, the Welsh inshore region and the Welsh offshore region, Northern Ireland and the Northern Ireland inshore region (see section 322(1) for the definition of those regions), and in relation to any area not mentioned in subsection (2), (4) or (6) of section 113; section 113 was amended by section 46(2) of the Wales Act 2017 (c. 4).

Amendment of the Marine Licensing (Notices Appeals) Regulations 2011

2. Regulation 3 (appeals against variation, suspension or revocation of marine licence) of the Marine Licensing (Notices Appeals) Regulations 2011(**a**) is amended as follows—

(a) after paragraph (1) insert—

"(1A) A person may appeal to the First-tier Tribunal against a notice issued to that person under—

(a) section 72A(7) of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 (notice varying, suspending or revoking a marine licence for failure to comply with a requirement to pay a fee charged in connection with the monitoring of such a licence); or

(b) section 107A(4) of that Act (notice varying, suspending or revoking a marine licence for failure to comply with a requirement to pay a deposit).";

(b) in paragraph (2), after "paragraph (1)" insert "or paragraph (1A)";

(c) in paragraph (3), after "paragraph (1)" insert "or paragraph (1A)".

Name
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State
Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Marine Licensing (Notices Appeals) Regulations 2011 (S.I. 2011/936) ("the Principal Regulations"), which provide for appeals to be made to the First-tier Tribunal against certain notices issued under Part 4 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 (c. 23).

These Regulations amend the Principal Regulations to provide for appeals to be made to the First-tier Tribunal against notices varying, suspending or revoking a marine licence issued under section 72A(7) (failure to comply with a requirement to pay a fee charged in connection with the monitoring of a marine licence) and 107A(4) (failure to comply with a requirement to pay a deposit) of the Act.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary sector or community bodies is foreseen.

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