STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1984 No. 1947

OFFSHORE INSTALLATIONS

The Offshore Installations (Safety Zones) (No. 96) Order 1984

Made - - - -	12*th December* 1984
Coming into Operation	14*th December* 1984

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 21(1), (2) and (3) of the Oil and Gas (Enterprise) Act 1982(**a**) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Offshore Installations (Safety Zones) (No. 96) Order 1984 and shall come into operation on 14th December 1984.

2.—(1) A safety zone is hereby established around the installation specified in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto (being an installation maintained in waters in an area designated under section 1(7) of the Continental Shelf Act 1964(**b**)) having a radius of five hundred metres from the point as respects that installation which has the co-ordinates of latitude and longitude according to European Datum (1950) specified in Columns 2 and 3 of the Schedule.

(2) The prohibition under section 21(3) of the Act on a vessel entering or remaining in a safety zone without the consent of the Secretary of State shall not apply to a vessel entering or remaining in the safety zone established under paragraph (1) above—

(*a*) in connection with the laying, inspection, testing, repair, alteration, renewal or removal of any submarine cable or pipe-line in or near that safety zone;

(*b*) to provide services for, to transport persons or goods to or from, or under the authority of a government department to inspect, any installation in that safety zone;

(*c*) if it is a vessel belonging to a general lighthouse authority performing duties relating to the safety of navigation;

(*d*) in connection with the saving or attempted saving of life or property;

(*e*) owing to stress of weather; or

(*f*) when in distress.

Alick Buchanan-Smith,
Minister of State,
Department of Energy.

12th December 1984.

(**a**) 1982 c. 23. (**b**) 1964 c. 29.

SCHEDULE

Article 2(1)

SAFETY ZONE

1	2	3
Name or other designation of the offshore installation	Latitude North	Longitude East
Byford Dolphin	59° 52′ 35·42″	02° 02′ 34·27″

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order establishes, under section 21 of the Oil and Gas (Enterprise) Act 1982, a safety zone, having a radius of 500 metres from a specified point, around the installation known as Byford Dolphin maintained in waters in an area designated under section 1(7) of the Continental Shelf Act 1964.

Vessels (which includes hovercraft, submersible apparatus and installations in transit) are prohibited from entering or remaining in the safety zone except with the consent of the Secretary of State or in the circumstances mentioned in Article 2(2) of the Order.

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