STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2004 No. 343

OFFSHORE INSTALLATIONS

The Offshore Installations (Safety Zones) Order 2004

Made - - - -	*9th February 2004*
Coming into force - -	*1st March 2004*

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 22(1) and (2) of the Petroleum Act 1987(**a**) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, and for the purpose of giving effect to proposals submitted to him by the Health and Safety Commission under section 24(2A) of the Act, hereby makes the following order:

Citation and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the Offshore Installations (Safety Zones) Order 2004 and shall come into force on 1st March 2004.

Establishment of safety zones

2. A safety zone is hereby established around each installation specified in column 1 of the Schedule hereto (being an installation stationed in waters to which subsection (7) of section 21 of the Act applies) 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.

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

Des Browne
Minister of State,
Department for Work and Pensions

9th February 2004

(**a**) 1987 c.12; section 24(2A) was inserted by S.I. 1993/1823.

SCHEDULE

Article 2

SAFETY ZONES

(1) *Name or other designation of the offshore installation*	*(2)* *Latitude North*	*(3)* *Longitude East*
South East Stirling Well, Block 16/21, Balmoral Field	58° 12.81’	01° 09.70’
Nevis Central Lewis Well, Block 9/13a, Beryl Field	59° 33.37’	01° 24.13’
Well 16/3b-8z, Block 16/3b, Braemar Field	58° 58.94’	01° 28.96’

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the order)

This order establishes, under section 22 of the Petroleum Act 1987, safety zones 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)) (*article 2*).

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 1987/1331).

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