Ports of Minehead and Watchet NOTICE TO MARINERS No 9 of 2021 FUGRO WAVE BUOY

Station Latitude Longitude

51°13.6759'N - 03°28.1475'W

Figures showing the Minehead wave buoy's location and associated mooring are given in Figures 1 and 2.

Mariners are kindly advised to adear to the following:

- Give 200 m minimum clearance from the buoy to avoid tangling with the mooring components present near to the surface;
- Refrain from deploying any fishing gear in the vicinity of the buoy to reduce the danger of entanglement and equipment loss;
- Do not moor to any part of the deployed mooring or buoy.

The buoy is moored using a rotational, and therefore tidally influenced mooring design, with two 15 m rubber bungees close to the surface (Figure 2). Mariners are requested not to pass within 200 m of the buoy, to avoid the danger of vessel entanglement or mooring damage.

The wave buoy is 0.9 m in diameter and is painted yellow. The buoy has a yellow flashing LED light on top of a 2 m long HF aerial transmitter (flashing 5 times every 20 seconds). In addition, the buoy is equipped with radar reflectors. The words NO MOORING and Channel Coastal Observatory are displayed on the buoy.

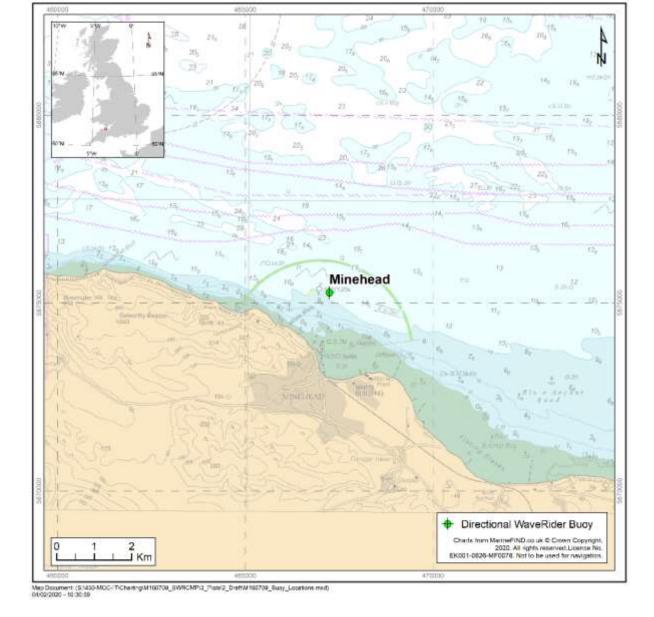


Figure 1

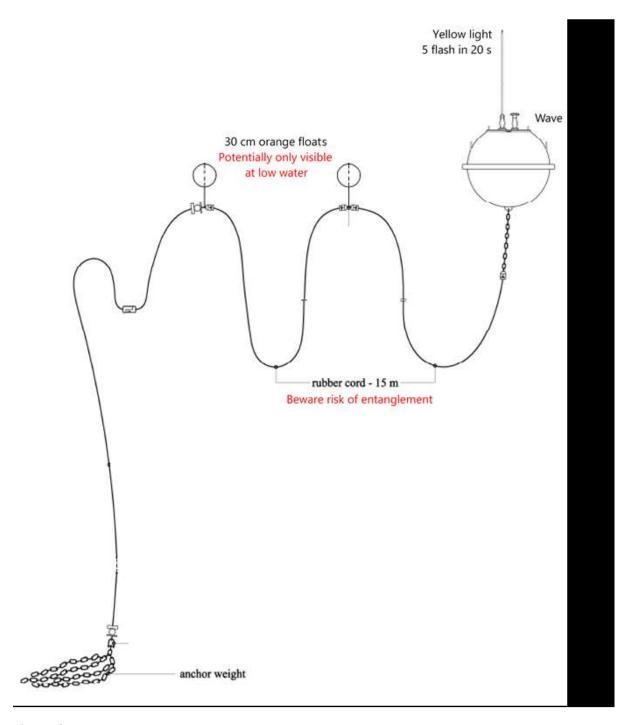


Figure 2.

All Watchet and Minehead Notice to Mariners are available on the website at; https://www.somersetwestandtaunton.gov.uk/harbours/notices-to-mariners/

Harbour Master

Minehead and Watchet

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