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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2014 No. 3212**

**OFFSHORE INSTALLATIONS**

**The Offshore Installations (Safety Zones) (No. 3) Order 2014**

*Made - - - - 2nd December 2014*

*Coming into force - - 25th December 2014*

The Secretary of State makes this Order—

- (a) in exercise of the powers conferred by section 22(1) and (2) of the Petroleum Act 1987<sup>(1)</sup>; and
- (b) or the purpose of giving effect to proposals submitted to him by the Health and Safety Executive under section 24(2A)<sup>(2)</sup> of that Act.

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Offshore Installations (Safety Zones) (No. 3) Order 2014 and comes into force on 25th December 2014.

**Establishment of safety zone**

2. A safety zone is established around the installation specified in column 1 of the Schedule (being an installation 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<sup>(3)</sup> specified in columns 2 and 3 of the Schedule.

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(1) 1987 c. 12.

(2) Section 24(2A) was inserted by S.I. 1993/1823 and amended by S.I. 2008/960.

(3) 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>).

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

2nd December 2014

*Mark Harper*  
Minister of State,  
Department for Work and Pensions

SCHEDULE

Article 2

INSTALLATION

<i>(1)</i>	<i>(2)</i>	<i>(3)</i>
<i>Name or other designation of the offshore installation</i>	<i>Latitude</i>	<i>Longitude</i>
Southern Drill Centre (SDC), Block 20/1N, Golden Eagle Area Development Field	57°55.27' North	00°54.28' West

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

The Order establishes, under section 22 of the Petroleum Act 1987, a safety zone having a radius of 500 metres from the specified point around the installation (which is a subsea installation) specified in the Schedule to this Order 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 Petroleum Act 1987 (currently the Offshore Installations (Safety Zones) Regulations 1987 (S.I. 1987/1331)).

The United Kingdom Hydrographic Office (UKHO) (<http://www.ukho.gov.uk/Pages/Home.aspx>) publishes nautical charts covering the area in which installations are located, which include information on the existence and, where the scale allows, the location of safety zones. Mariners are advised to keep paper charts up-to-date using appropriate Notices to Mariners or, where electronic charts are used, to subscribe to an appropriate updating service. Vessels meeting the requirements of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea 1974 will carry nautical charts and nautical publications (such as Notices to Mariners) to plan and display the ship's route for the intended voyage and to plot and monitor positions throughout the voyage. This may be compulsory for some vessels, for example under the Merchant Shipping (Safety of Navigation) Regulations 2002 (S.I. 2002/1473). The UKHO also broadcasts Radio Navigational Warnings in relation to safety zones where updates to charts have yet to take effect and where installations are in transit.

Maritime safety information, which includes information on safety zones, is issued via the appropriate International Maritime Organisation, Global Maritime Distress and Safety System broadcast systems as defined by the World-Wide Navigational Warning Service.