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## JOINT WARRIOR 151 SUBMARINE, MINEWARFARE, LIVE FIRING AND DENIAL OF GPS TRAINING ACTIVITY

- 1. Exercise Joint Warrior 151 will take place between 11 and 24 April 2015, delivered by the Joint Tactical Exercise Palnning Staff from Faslane (JTEPS). It is a programme of exercises conducted by land forces, warships, submarines and aircraft across the UK. The majority of the exercise is focussed in the airspace, offshore and coastal waters to the north east, north and north west of Scotland. This booklet provides outline information on scheduled activity including details of intended gunnery and aircraft bombing activity at Cape Wrath and in some open ocean areas.
- 2. The information is correct at the time of going to print but the routine **SUBFACTS** and **GUNFACTS** broadcasts, made during the exercise, will provide updated information.
- 3. The information provided in this booklet will also be published in Fleet Ops Notice to Fishermen, Defence Training Estate Scotland Notice to Fishermen and Cape Wrath Range Notices. This document is also on the internet at:

  http://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/qhm/clyde/jw.
- 4. This booklet contains the following sections:
  - a. Submarine Activity.
  - b. Warship Activity.
  - c. Minewarfare Activity.
  - d. Live Firing and Gunnery Activity.
  - e. Denial of GPS Services.
  - f. Unexploded Ordnance Advice.
- 5. The warships taking part have been instructed to offer fishing vessels and the wider civilian community every assistance in their dealings with exercise activity. This applies especially when in the vicinity of submarines, when warships are conducting live firing or when GPS is denied for military training. You are invited to contact them via VHF to ensure that military training and civilian activities are sensibly and safely deconflicted.

6. Throughout Exercise Joint Warrior 151 the following points of contact are available on a 24/7 basis to attend to any immediate problems or questions:

Primary - Joint Warrior Duty Controller 01436 674321 Ext. 3401

Secondary - Duty Submarine Controller 01923 956366

HM Coastguard at Clyde, Stornoway and Aberdeen can also contact the Joint Warrior staff directly and will relay information if necessary.

7. If you have any queries, problems, or suggestions as to how JTEPS can improve this booklet, please do not hesitate to contact the Staff Officer Submarines at the above address.

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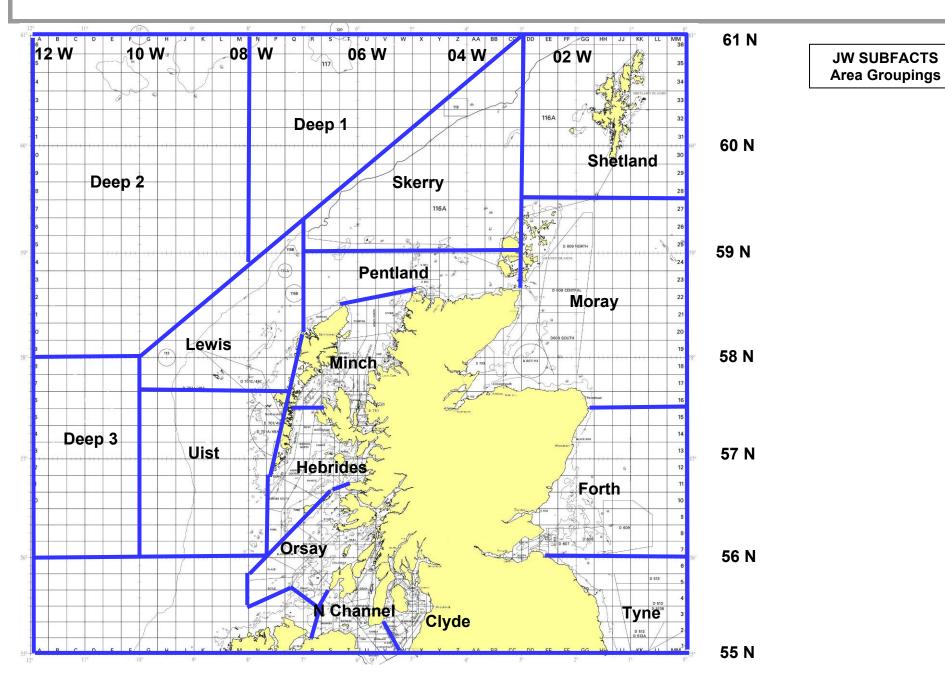
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- 1. The Submarine Activity Grid on the following page shows the areas and time periods where submarine activity associated with Joint Warrior (JW) is forecast. Please note that other submarines that are not part of the exercise may transit the areas north west of Scotland; their activity is not covered in this brief. The daily SUBFACTS broadcast by the Coastguard will provide notification of the actual areas where <u>all</u> submarine activity is taking place. During Joint Warrior, in order to keep the SUBFACTS broadcast short, a number of Scottish Exercise Areas are grouped together. The groupings are shown in the chartlet and table in this section.
- 2. Communications can be established with submarines during JW when they are surfaced or at periscope depth on VHF Ch 16 (working Ch 73). In the event that they are operating with warships, one of the warships will have been detailed to act as the Fishing Vessel Safety Ship (FVSS) in accordance with the Code of Practice. The FVSS has two overarching duties:
  - a. To make fishing vessels aware of submarine activity in their vicinity and to provide information and advice to minimise the risk of interaction.
  - b. To provide assistance to the participating submarine in compiling a comprehensive surface picture in order to minimise the risk of interaction with non-exercise vessels.
- 3. It is usually easier to establish communications with the FVSS than with a submarine. However, any warship in the vicinity may be contacted and asked for a report on any exercises involving submarines which are being conducted in the local area. Alternatively, the ship may be used to relay messages or instructions to the submarine if required. All warships, including the FVSS, can be contacted on VHF Channel 16 (working Channel 73).

# Exercise Joint Warrior 151 SUBFACTS AREAS ACTIVATION GRID

	12	APF	?	13	APF	₹	14	APF	₹	15	APF	?	16	APF	₹	17	APF	₹	18	APF	R	19	APF	?	20	APF	₹	21	APF	₹	22	APR	2	23	APF	2
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The planned activity in the JW SUBFACTS AREAS is indicated by the letter **A** in the grid above. There may be changes to this planned activity. Daily SUBFACTS Broadcasts will contain the most up to date information regarding the activation of the areas.



## SCOTTISH EXERCISE AREAS – JW SUBFACTS GROUPING

## CLYDE

BALLANTRAE	AYR	TARBERT
AILSA	BRODICK	MINARD
STAFNISH	IRVINE	FYNE
PLADDA	LAGGAN	WEST KYLE
TURNBERRY	GARROCH	EAST KYLE
DAVAAR	LOCHRANZA	CUMBRAE
LAMLASH	SKIPNESS	STRIVEN
GOIL	ROSNEATH	GARELOCH
COVE		

## **ORSAY**

STAFFA	EIGG	COLONSAY
MULL	JURA SOUND	LINNHE
BLACKSTONE	PLACE	BOYLE
MACKENZIE	ORSAY	

## **NORTH CHANNEL**

ISLAY	OTTER	GIGHA
EARADALE	KINTYRE	SKERRIES
RATHLIN	MAIDEN	CORSEWALL
MAGEE	BEAUFORT	ARDGLASS
PEEL	MERMAID	SANDA
TORR		

## **HEBRIDES**

USHENISH	NEIST	BRACADALE
CANNA	RHUM	SLEAT
HEBRIDES NORTH	HEBRIDES CENTRAL	<b>HEBRIDES SOUTH</b>
TIREE	HAWES	EIGG
BARRA	FORD	

## MINCH

RONA NORTH	RONA SOUTH	RONA WEST
RAASAY	TIUMPAN	STOER
SHIANT	EWE	MINCH NORTH
MINCH SOUTH	PORTREE	TRODDAY
LOCHMADDY	DUNVEGAN	CROWLIN

#### **Warship Activity**

#### **VHF Challenges**

1. In light of ever changing threats to our Armed Forces, military ships maintain a detailed plot of maritime activity in their vicinity, which includes establishing the identity of small fishing vessels. This can be achieved visually from helicopters or by challenges on IMM VHF radio by ships. Mariners are advised that warships from various Allied Nations will be conducting such reconnaissance and challenges. Areas likely to be affected are the Clyde, North Channel, South of the Sea of Hebrides, the Sea of Hebrides, the Little Minch, North Minch, the area near Cape Wrath, Loch Eriboll, the Outer Hebrides and in the North Sea near Wick. Mariner's co-operation during this time would be much appreciated. A small number of contracted civilian vessels including high speed craft will be operating in the vicinity of the Minches and the Firth of Clyde in support of this training task. Every effort will be made to avoid interference to fishing vessels.

#### **Small Boat Activity**

2. From Thursday 16 until Monday 20 April a large number of fast small boats (both contracted civilian and military) will operate east of the Isle of Arran with Warships and helicopters. This activity will remain clear of the main shipping and ferry routes.

#### **Amphibious Operations**

3. Amphibious operations encompassing mine clearance, diving operations and the ferrying of personnel to and from shore will take place in Luce Bay from 14 until 22 April.

- 1. Mine Countermeasures (MCM) vessels will conduct minehunting exercises using sonar to look for exercise inert mines both on the seabed and moored to the seabed. These may then be investigated by remote controlled submersible vehicles and divers.
- 2. Towed sweeps for minesweeping will not be used during JW 151.
- 3. All participating MCM vessels will be thoroughly briefed on local fishing operations in advance of the exercise and are instructed to make early liaison calls to fishing vessels on VHF. Skippers of fishing vessels operating in the vicinity of these ships are encouraged to talk to them and discuss intentions.
- 4. If any difficulty is experienced a call should be made to the Duty Submarine Controller at CTF 311 OPS ROOM on the "**Fishermen's Hotline**" number, **01923 956366**. This line is permanently manned.
- 5. The following MCM vessels will participate in Exercise JW 151:

Name	Nationality	Pennant No
BNS LOBELIA	Belgian	M921
HMS BANGOR	British	M109
HMS GRIMSBY	British	M108
HMS BROCKLESBY	British	M33
HMS HURWORTH	British	M39
HMS PEMBROKE	British	M 107
HNLMS WILLEMSTAD	Dutch	M864
HNLMS MAKKUM	Dutch	M857
TCG ANAMUR	Turkish	M269
FGS BAD BEVENSEN	German	M1063
FGS HOMBURG	German	M1069
FGS AUERBACH	German	M1093
HNOMS RAUMA	Norwegian	M352
ORP MEWA	Polish	623
FNS CASSIOPPE	French	M642
FNS STYX	French	M614

- 6. Exercise inert mines have been laid for JW 151, in the following areas:
  - a. **LOCH EWE** (see chartlet 1)

All areas within Loch Ewe between latitudes 57 54.30N and 57 48.20N

b. **LUCE BAY** (see chartlet 2)

Α.	54 42.00N	004 47.38W
B.	54 45.50N	004 47.38W
C.	54 45.50N	004 33.00W
D.	54 42.00N	004 33.00W

#### c. **CARN SKERRIES/HORSE ISLAND** (see chartlet 1)

- A. 57 56.26N 005 17.20W
- B. 57 56.91N 005 16.81W
- C. 57 58.44N 005 23.08W
- D. 57 58.64N 005 22.58 W

#### d. **EILEAN DUBH** (see chartlet 1)

- A. 57 59.23N 005 23.10W
- B. 57 58.85N 005 23.10W
- C. 57 58.75N 005 26.84W
- D. 57 59.60N 005 26.90W

## e. **GRUINARD BAY** (see chartlet 1)

- A. 57 54.68N 005 29.38W
- B. 57 52.80N 005 29.38W
- C. 57 52.80N 005 32.00W
- D. 57 54.68N 005 32.00W

#### f. **BROAD BAY** (see chartlet 3)

- A. 58 16.60N 006 14.60W
- B. 58 16.60N 006 12.20W
- C. 58 15.40N 006 12.20W
- D. 58 15.40N 006 12.20W

## g. **LITTLE LOCH BROOM APPROACH** (see chartlet 1)

- A. 57 54.92N 005 24.70W
- B. 57 54.38N 005 23.09W
- C. 57 54.10N 005 23.31W
- D. 57 54.64N 005 25.36W

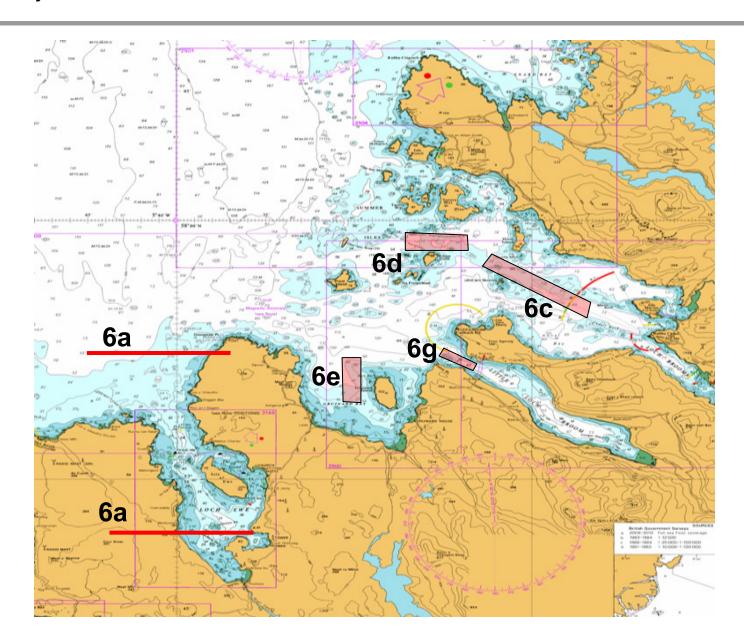
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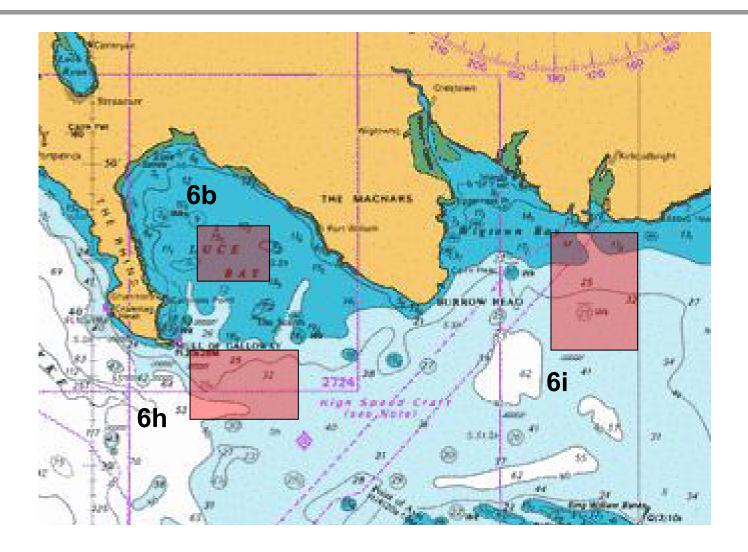
- A. 54 35.00N 004 48.00W
- B. 54 38.00N 004 48.00W
- C. 54 38.00N 004 38.00W
- D. 54 35.00N 004 38.00W

#### i. **KIRKCUDBRIGHT APPROACH** (see chartlet 2)

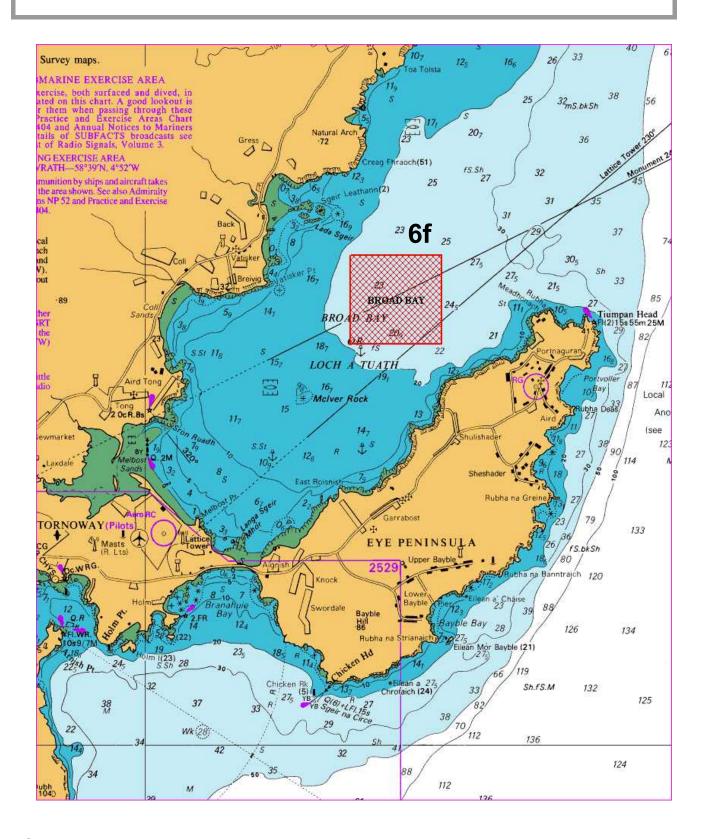
- A. 54 37.00N 004 07.00W
- B. 54 45.00N 004 07.00W
- C. 54 45.00N 004 00.00W
- D. 54 37.00N 004 00.00W

- 7. The planned minelay and recovery programme.
  - a. **Minelay**. No additional mine targets will be laid without further Notice to Fishermen. All the above areas are established exercise areas with existing targets on the sea bed.
  - b. **Mine recovery**. There is no dedicated mine recovery period during JW 151. This will occur throughout the exercise.
- 8. Mine hunting exploratory operations will be conducted in Campbeltown Loch; The Firth of Clyde; Inchmarnock Water and Ettrick Bay; Kilbrannon Sound; sea areas to the south west of the Isle of Arran between latitudes 55 20.00N and 55 30.00N and through Beaufort's Dyke to Luce Bay.
- 9. Liaison between the MoD and appropriate fishermen's associations/organisations, in some cases with individual owners/skippers, HM Coastguard and Marine Scotland have been made to use the above areas. Should anyone consider that their organisation/association should be included in this process in future please contact Lieutenant Commander Tony Hampshire (FOSNNI SMCDO) on 01436 677263.





Chartlet 2



#### **Chartlet 3**

#### **Live Firing and Gunnery**

- 1. During Joint Warrior, Cape Wrath Range, including Garvie Island (An Garbh-eilean) will be active with various combinations of air bombardment, naval gunfire support and helicopter operations. In addition a Joint Warrior Firing and Danger Area will be activated for offshore gunnery. The Gunfacts and JW Offshore Firing Areas Activation Grid on the following page shows the areas and time periods where gunnery associated with Joint Warrior is forecast to take place. The daily GUNFACTS Broadcast by the Coastguard and Cape Wrath Range will provide notification of the actual areas where all the gunnery activity is taking place.
- 2. Joint Warrior Firing and Danger Area coordinates are in the accompanying chartlet.
- 3. It is mandatory that vessels in the vicinity of the Cape Wrath Range keep a listening watch on VHF Channel 16. Further information regarding firing at can be obtained by telephoning:

Cape Wrath Information Line on FREEPHONE 0800 833300.

or **01862 892185** 

The number will provide specific information about active/non-active periods and when the Range road (U70) will be open/closed for public access.

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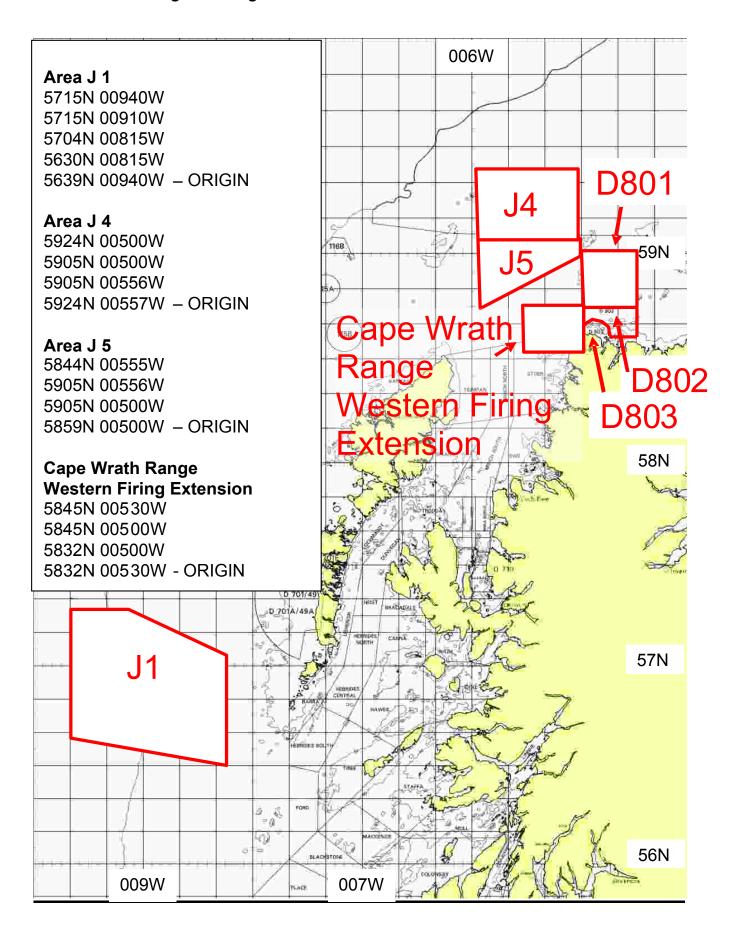
#### **Exercise Joint Warrior 151**

## **GUNFACTS AND JW OFFSHORE FIRING AREAS ACTIVATION GRID, ALL TIMES IN LOCAL**

	13 APR	14 APR	15 APR	16 APR	17 APR	18 APR	19 APR	20 APR	21 APR	22 APR	23 APR
	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU
Cape Wrath Range (Ashore)	0001-2359	0001-2359	0001-2359	0001-2359	0001-2359	0001-2359		0001-2359	0001-2359	0001-2359	0001-2359
Cape Wrath D801					0800-1600	0800-1600	0800-1600				
Cape Wrath D802	0800-220	0800-2359	0800-2359	0800-2359	0800-2200	0800-2200		0800-2359	0800-2359	0800-2359	
Garvie Island D803				0800-2359	0800-2200	0800-2359		0800-2359	0800-2359	0800-2359	
JW Danger Area J1	0800-2100	0800-1400	1300-1900	0800-1600							
JW Danger Area J4	0800-1600										
JW Danger Area J5	0800-1600										
Cape Wrath Western Firing Extension											
Clyde Areas D 509	0800-1400	0800-1900	1000-1900	0800-1900							

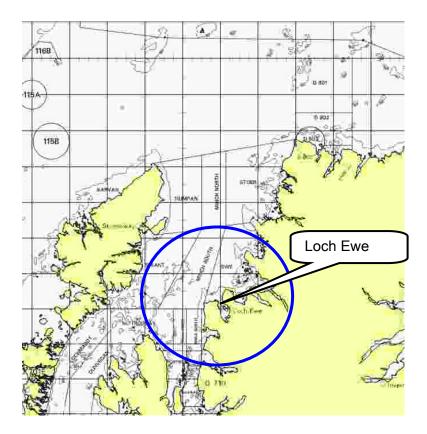
The planned times of firings at Cape Wrath Range and Joint Warrior Firing areas is indicated in the grid above. There may be changes to this planned activity. Daily GUNFACTS Broadcasts and Cape Wrath Range Broadcasts will contain the most up to date information regarding the activation of the areas. Times are Local.

### **Joint Warrior Firing and Danger Areas**



#### **Denial of GPS Service**

- 1. Denial of GPS services through the jamming of the GPS signal is an essential part of preparation for military operations and the training is likely to impact on both military and civilian users on land, sea and in the air. The ability to conduct jamming is spread throughout the modern world. Consequently, Military Forces are required to train under such conditions in order to demonstrate the effects it has on systems and to train personnel in other modes of operating. The jamming equipment is located at:
  - a. Loch Ewe 57 51.9N 005 41.1W



- 2. Jamming of GPS signals may affect equipment using GPS within the North Minch northwards from Rubha Réidh 57-52N 005-48W to Stoer Head 58-14N 005-24W, depending on receiver antenna height. Plots showing predictions of areas where interference can be expected are included at the end of this section.
- 3. Subject to approval from the MOD to conduct GPS denial training, the planned times of GPS Denial are shown in the time table on the next page. A sécurité message will be broadcast by Stornoway and Shetland CG prior to and on completion of the jamming period, during which time GPS receivers and any related equipment may not function, or may give incorrect position info or default to DR mode. If this occurs, positional assurance will have to be determined by other means and manually updated at regular intervals. Crews should be aware of these limitations and use alternative means of navigation during jamming periods to confirm their position and check the equipment on completion.
- 4. All military vessels and aircraft will be ordered to maintain a lookout for any abnormal vessel behaviour during jamming periods and warn vessels as required

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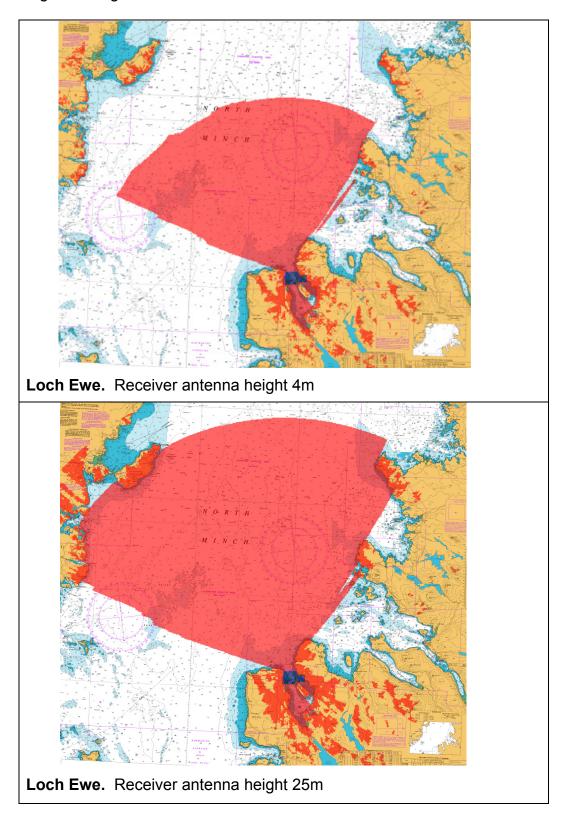
5. Stopping the jamming in the event of an emergency can be achieved via VHF to Stornoway CG or Joint Warrior duty controller 01436 674321 ext. 6469.

# GPS DENIAL TIME TABLE (Local Time)

_	Loch Ewe
Date	N57 51.9
	W005 41.1
Mon 13 Apr 15	
	1730-1830
Tue 14 Apr 15	0830-0930
	1730-1830
Wed 15 Apr 15	0830-0930
·	1730-1830
Thur 14 Apr 15	0830-0930
	1730-1830
Fri 16 Apr 15	0830-0930
·	1730-1830
Sat 17 Apr 15	0830-0930
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Sun 18 Apr 15	0830-0930
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Mon 20 Apr 15	0830-0930
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Tue 21 Apr 15	0830-0930
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Wed 22 Apr 15	0830-0930
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Thur 23 Apr 15	0830-0930
	1730-1830
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## **GPS RECEIVER INTERFERENCE PREDICTION PLOTS FOR LOCH EWE**

The shaded areas represent the 30dB J/S threshold vs. the minimum GPS L1 C/A-Code measured signal strength of -157dBW.



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## **Unexploded Ordnance Advice**

1. The following general advice is offered to anyone discovering anything believed to be unexploded ordnance:

**DIVERS** DO NOT TOUCH

**FISHERMEN** Contact the coastguard. If this is not possible, lay the item

in about 60ft of water, away from shipping routes and mark

the position with a float.

**EVERYONE** DO NOT TOUCH – dial 999 for coastguard or Police.

#### **Contact Telephone Numbers**

UNEXPLODED ORDNANCE (FLEET DUTY CONTROLLER) 01923 956367

FISHERMANS' HOTLINE (FLEET DUTY CONTROLLER)

SUBMARINE RELATED 01923 956366

HOTLINE (JOINT WARRIOR DUTY CONTROLLER)

**GPS JAMMING RELATED** 01436 674321 Extn 6469

JOINT WARRIOR CONTROLLER 01436 674321 Extn 3401

CAPE WRATH INFORMATION LINE FREEPHONE 0800 833300

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