



## **Notice to Mariners**

### **No. 7 of 2024**

*To all ship owners, shipmasters, agents, fishing vessels, pleasure craft users, seafarers and fishery organisations.*

#### Port of Kinsale

#### SPEED LIMITS, GENERAL MARITIME SAFETY

The laying of Yellow unlit Special Marks by Dock beach marked RED on chart and Sandycove island marked Purple indicating speed Limit

All port users are reminded that there are strict speed limits in force within the Port of Kinsale, there are also exclusion zones for power craft. Owners and operators of recreational craft shall ensure that they are complying with the prescribed speed limits below and that they are operating their vessel with due regard for the Code of Practice for The Safe Operation of Recreational Craft.

#### Key Legislation:

- Speed Limit in Kinsale is **5 knots** with “No Wake” Between James Fort/Summer Cove and the Bridge.
- All Persons on board a vessel less than 7m in length must wear a personal floatation device (PFD) or life-jacket.
- On vessels/open craft over 7m, or “On Deck” of a decked vessel, persons under the age of 16 must wear a PFD or Lifejacket.
- The operator of a Vessel capable of more than 17kts (power craft or personal water craft) must be 16 years of age or older.
- No person, owner or master shall operate a craft while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

#### Penalties:

“Violation of any of the provisions of the pleasure craft Regulations 2005 and Maritime Safety Act 2005:”

**Fixed payment notice: €150    Summary Conviction in Court: €5,000**

*“Fixed payment notice may be issued by an authorised officer, including the Garda Síochána, Harbour Masters authorised by the Minister.”*

**Mark J. Clarke**




Máistir Cuain Sinsearach | Harbour Master  
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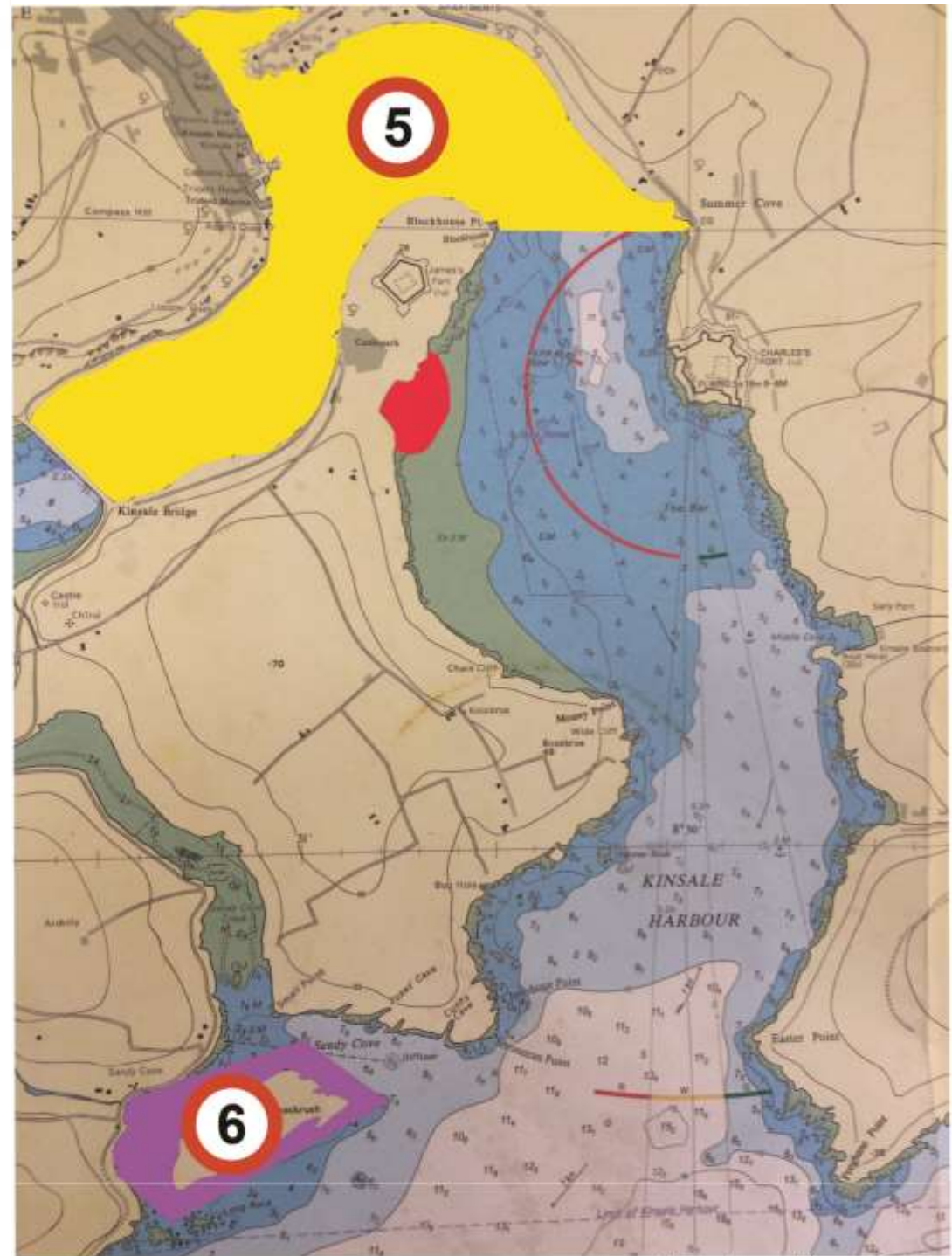
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## Speed limits and restricted areas in Kinsale Harbour.

-  **Max. 5 knots / No wash**  
From Kinsale Bridge to a line between the Block House and Summer Cove Pier ( $51^{\circ}41' N$ )
-  **No motor boats except safety boats**  
Dock Beach (Swim area marked by 4 Special Marks)
-  **Max. 6 knots / Proceed with caution**  
Swim area around Sandycove Island and Sandycove Beach



Failure to comply will lead to application of fixed penalty fine or prosecution

*Not to be used for navigation*