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**To:** REDACTED (CCRA - ERA - Marine and Fisheries) <REDACTED@gov.wales>  
**Cc:** REDACTED  
**Subject:** Re: Protect

Thanks so much

I will have a chat with our guys - I have cc'd you with REDACTED on comms

Just spoke to REDACTED so I am hoping for their approval before Wednesday next week which is with REDACTED also we can at least being comms.

Michelle

Regards

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On 5 May 2023, at 10:51, REDACTED [@gov.wales](mailto:REDACTED@gov.wales) wrote:

Hi REDACTED,

As we are of the opinion that the device does not meet the requirements of the Welsh iVMS regulations we will announce that it is not suitable for use by Welsh Fishers or any vessel undertaking fishing operations in the Welsh zone. Any fisher that is relying on a Maritime Systems iVMS device to comply with the Welsh iVMS Regulations will be required to obtain an alternative device prior to undertaking any further fishing operations.

## Our legislation states

### Regulation of fishing operations

3.—(1) The fishing boat must not undertake fishing operations unless—

- (a) it has a monitoring device installed;
- (b) the Welsh Ministers have been notified of—
  - (i) the unique identification number of the monitoring device;
  - (ii) the name of the fishing boat upon which the monitoring device is installed;
  - (iii) the Fleet Register Number or IRCS of the fishing boat; and

(c) the monitoring device transmits the required information to the Welsh Ministers at least once in every ten minute period.

(2) Where the fishing boat is used in contravention of paragraph (1), the person in charge is guilty of an offence.

### Failure of a Monitoring Device

6.—(1) If the monitoring device on board the fishing boat becomes incapable of transmitting the required information, the person in charge, at the point at which they know, or could reasonably be expected to know the device had stopped transmitting, must—

- (a) notify the Welsh Ministers that the monitoring device is incapable of transmitting the required information; and
- (b) ensure the fishing boat does not undertake any further fishing operations until the monitoring device is capable of transmitting the relevant information in accordance with article 3(1)(c) and notice of that fact has been given the Welsh Ministers.

I'd be grateful if you could share a copy of your comms as soon as possible so that I can update ours before I go on leave.

Thanks

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From: < REDACTED @marinemanagement.org.uk>

Sent: 05 May 2023 10:40

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Subject: Protect

Hi REDACTED

I think of the REDACTED English vessels which we have in your zone REDACTED have an MS-44 device - what would the options be for those vessels??

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