

THREE RIVERS COCKLE FISHERY 2025 CLOSURE DECLARATION

issued pursuant to

The Cockle Fishing Management and Permitting (Specified Area) (Wales) Order 2024

THE WELSH MINISTERS, pursuant to article 7 of the Cockle Fishing Management and Permitting (Specified Area) (Wales) Order 2024, **declare** that the cockle beds in the area defined below ("the Area") are **closed** to fishing for or taking of cockles with effect from **00:01 on 21 November 2025**.

Reason: There is evidence that the harvestable surplus has been taken.

The Area

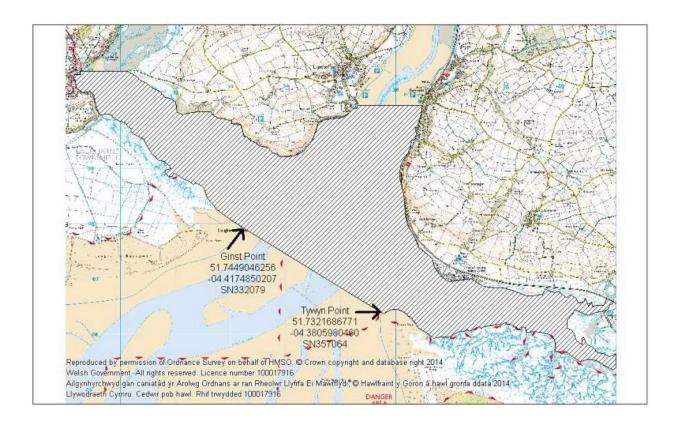
The Area closed by this notice is an area within the estuaries of the Rivers Taf, Tywi and Gwendraeth, known as the Three Rivers Estuary, which consists of all tidal waters within the District of the former South Wales Sea Fisheries Committee which are enclosed by a line drawn eastwards from Ginst Point (NG Ref. SN 332079) to Pen Tywyn Point (NG Ref. SN 357064). Tidal waters are defined by the following limits:

- 1. A line drawn across the River Taf, between Laugharne Castle and Black Scar.
- 2. A line drawn across the River Tywi, true east from the south-easternmost corner of Llansteffan Castle to the opposite shore.
- 3. A line drawn across every river or stream flowing into the Gwendraeth estuary, along the seaward side of the bridges carrying the railway between Carmarthen Bay Holiday Park and RAF Pembrey Sands.

This Notice is given under authority of the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs, one of the Welsh Ministers.

Date of notice: 21 November 2025

For information purposes only, the Area is shown hatched in black on the map below:



FURTHER INFORMATION

Further notifications and additional information relating to this closure can be obtained by contacting:

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