<u>News story: SMS alerts system for</u> <u>licence variations currently</u> <u>unavailable</u>

The MMO regret to advise that the electronic notification system via SMS is currently not working. As a result licence holders or a nominated representative whose mobile phone number has been given to the MMO will not currently receive a text message when a variation has been issued.

Licence holders should therefore monitor the MMO website so that they are aware of relevant variations, as it remains the legal responsibility of the licence holder to check the conditions of the licence.

Please note:

S. 4. (5) of the The Sea Fishing (Licences and Notices) (England) Regulations 2012 states: "A notice communicated by publication on a website is treated as given immediately it is published."

We are in touch with the service provider and hope to fix the fault as soon as possible, but we are unable to give a time scale for resolution at the current time.

Notifications sent via email are not affected. Please contact your local MMO office for further information and to register an email address with us if you have not already done so to receive licence variation notifications.

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