

SHOEBURYNESS EAST BEACH

This is a public area managed by Southend City Council, but the foreshore (sea area) is owned by the MOD. Public access to the foreshore is permitted under MOD license. Members of the public are permitted to occupy the foreshore directly in front of the beach within the licensed area only (demarcated by a buoy line).

Pedestrians and watercraft **are not permitted to pass through or remain in the Inner Sea Area beyond the licensed area at any time.** The only exception is when the Range is **NOT ACTIVE (red flags lowered)**, the ***Outer Sea Area** is open, and a vessel is travelling directly to or from the Shoeburyness Anchorage at East Beach. Occasionally, the foreshore may be closed for Range operations - notification of closures will be issued via social media and local signage.

HAVENGORE BRIDGE

The bridge is passable when the Range is **NOT ACTIVE** and the ***Outer Sea Area** is open, for two hours either side of high tide, during daylight hours only.

PROHIBITED BEACHES & FORESHORE

The stretch of beaches and foreshore from East Beach to Shoebury Common (Old Ranges), is owned by the MOD. Members of the public are not permitted to pass through or occupy this area at any time, for any purpose (including but not limited to: walking, visiting the Mulberry Harbour, swimming, bait-digging, horse-riding, watersports, sunbathing etc). Prohibited areas are sign-posted to warn of the danger that trespassers are exposed to and potential hazards associated with historic use of the area. Trespassers may be prosecuted.



UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS

Visitors to the area may discover Unexploded Ordnance (UXO). **Do not touch or pick up any unidentified objects,** report their location by calling the police.

RANGE SEA DANGER AREA: DO's and DON'TS

If you're unfamiliar with the area or if you believe you have a legitimate reason to request entry to the RSDA, you must contact MOD Shoeburyness as follows:

Range Control: 01702 383211

Marine Control: 01702 383311

Marine VHF: Channel 16 & 72 (Call sign "Shoe Radar")

DO...

- contact the Range if you are unsure of the location of the RSDA.
- contact the Range if you believe you have a legitimate reason to enter the RSDA.
- inform Range Control when you exit the RSDA (if permission is granted by the Range for you to enter the RSDA).
- follow any instructions issued by the crew of the Range Safety Boat which operates in the vicinity of the RSDA.
- make fellow mariners aware of this guidance.

DON'T...

- assume that staying close to the coast will keep you safe. There is a very real risk of serious injury if you ignore these guidelines.
- assume that the RSDA is safe simply because you can't see or hear any Range activity.
- press on regardless if you have not been given permission to enter the RSDA.
- assume that the RSDA is open in the evenings and at weekends.

Questions?

Call 0800 0560108 or email qqshbenquiries@qinetiq.com

Further information can be found at
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Staying safe near the Range Sea Danger Area



MOD SHOEBURYNNESS

Ministry of Defence (MOD) Shoeburyness is an Ordnance, Munitions and Explosives (OME) test and evaluation Range which uses **explosives**, and **fires large calibre guns** over long distances on a daily basis. Due to the hazardous nature of activities conducted on the Range and over the surrounding sea and foreshore area, access to the MOD-owned estate is controlled by the Shoeburyness Artillery Ranges and Military Lands Byelaws.

WATERCRAFT & THE RANGE SEA DANGER AREA

The Maplin and Foulness Sands area surrounding the Range is popular for recreational sailing, watersports and fishing. If you intend to visit, you should be aware that the sea and foreshore area outlined on the map opposite falls within the jurisdiction of the byelaws and is designated as a Range Sea Danger Area (RSDA) - public access is restricted/prohibited.

The **Inner Sea Area** is closed at all times (including evenings and weekends), to all pedestrians and watercraft users including but not limited to: fishermen, sailors, kayakers, kite/windsurfers, jetskiers, paddle-boarders etc. *When the Range is **NOT ACTIVE** (red flags lowered), and the tide is in, the **Outer Sea Area** is open during daylight hours.

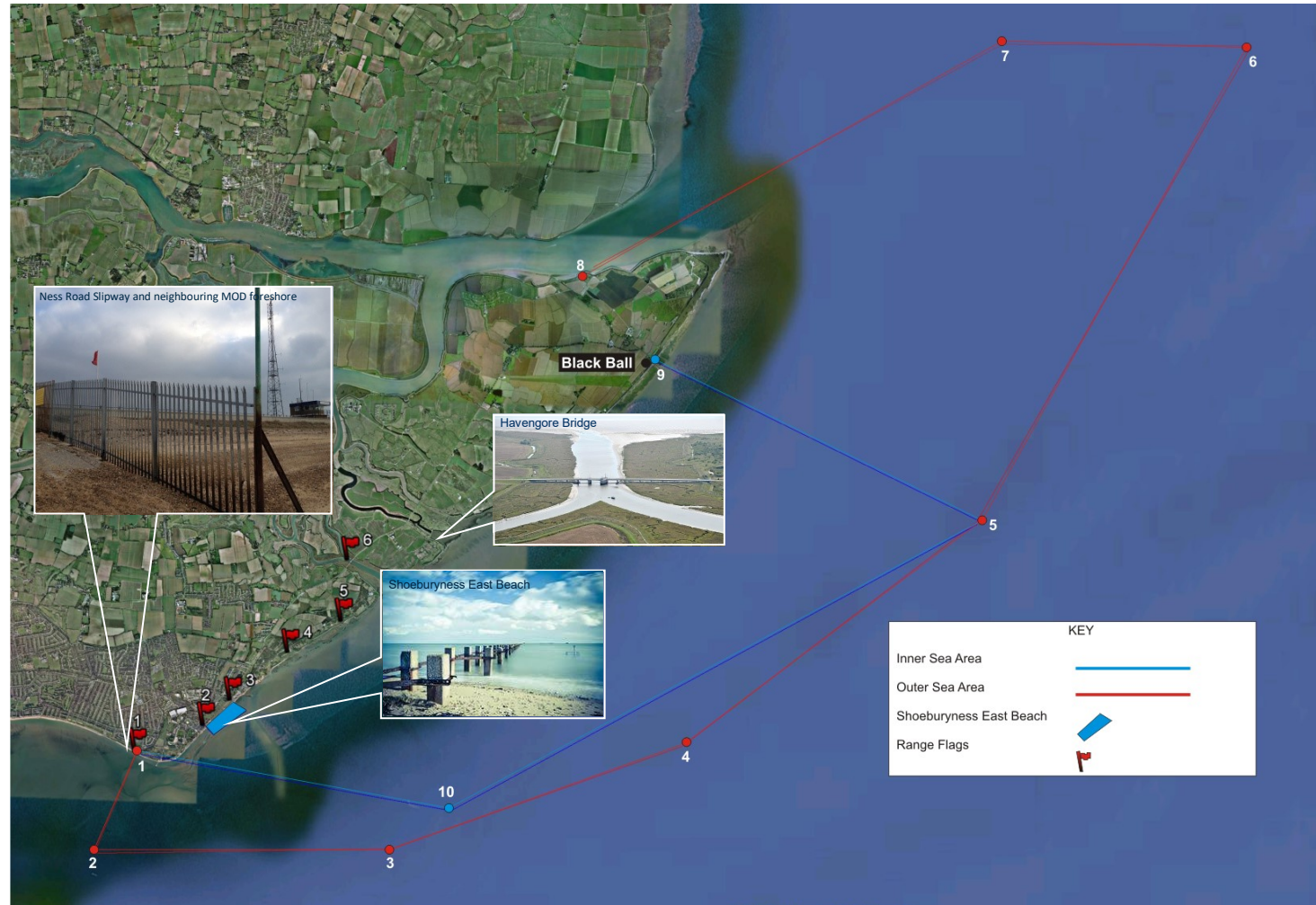
THE NESS ROAD SLIPWAY (UNCLE TOM'S)

This watercraft launch facility is owned and managed by Southend City Council. The beach and foreshore to the east of the fence (left of the slipway) is part of the MOD estate and public access is prohibited ***at all times**.

When launching from the slipway you **must** stay to the right of the fence and buoy lane which is the demarcation of the RSDA. **CCTV is operating in this area and persistent trespassers will be prosecuted.**



MOD SHOEBURYNNESS RANGE SEA DANGER AREA



PENALTIES FOR ACTS IN CONTRAVENTION OF THE BYELAWS

Anyone passing through/occupying:

- the prohibited MOD beaches/foreshore at any time;
- the Inner Sea Area at any time (*East Beach, see over);
- the Outer Sea Area when the Red Flags are flying

is acting in contravention of the byelaws. This means they are liable to prosecution and may have their property confiscated.

Outer Sea Area

1. 51° 31.380'N 0° 46.515'E
2. 51° 30.220'N 0° 45.724'E
3. 51° 30.270'N 0° 51.273'E
4. 51° 31.459'N 0° 56.704'E
5. 51° 34.071'N 1° 2.239'E
6. 51° 39.581'N 1° 7.391'E
7. 51° 39.609'N 1° 2.735'E
8. 51° 36.990'N 0° 54.961'E

Inner Sea Area

1. 51° 31.282'N 0° 46.974'E
5. 51° 34.071'N 1° 2.239'E
9. 51° 35.933'N 0° 56.189'E
10. 51° 30.713'N 0° 52.386'E