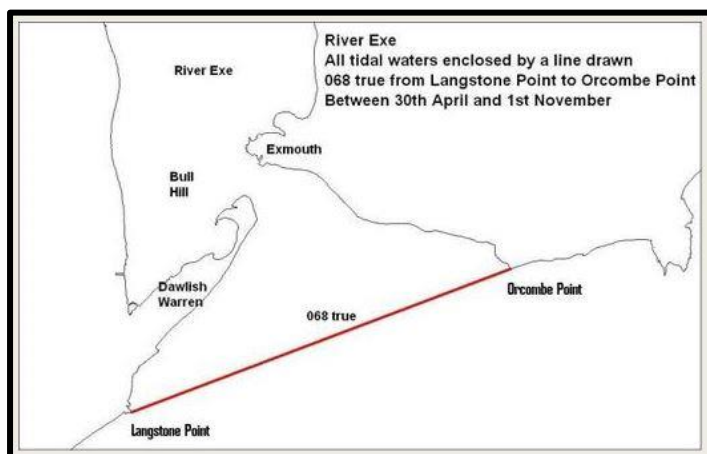
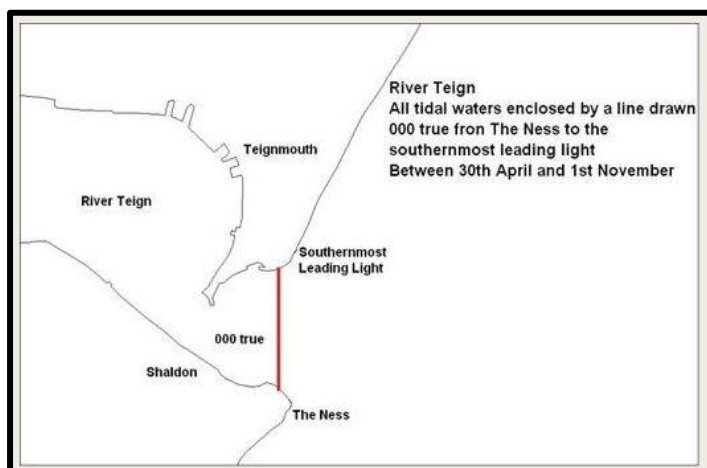


Devon and Severn IFCA News

Bank Holiday Patrols & Bass Nursery Areas

D&S IFCA conduct two patrols on the May Bank Holiday



Although it was the early Bank Holiday of 6th May 2019, the work of D&S IFCA Enforcement Officers didn't take a break. D&S IFCA planned and completed two separate patrols, with the first beginning at 05.30 hours and the second conducted in the afternoon. Both patrols were at sea in the new enforcement vessel DAVID ROWE. Focus was applied to the South East area of the District, from Brixham to Lyme Bay, with boarding's and inspection work conducted by Officers.

The patrols included visits to the Bass Nursery Areas within the Teign and Exe Estuaries. Both Bass Nursery Areas are now active and will remain so until the end of October 2019.

Although not a D&S IFCA Byelaw, and not introduced by D&S IFCA, we do support the Marine Management Organisation (MMO) enforcing this Domestic and EU legislation.

We are pleased to report that no offences were detected during the patrols.

Need More Information about Bass?

Information on the boundaries, and open and closed seasons for all Bass Nursery areas can be found on our website [here](#). Fishing for bass, or fishing for any species of sea fish using live sand Eels (*Ammodytidae* spp) as bait, by any fishing boat within any part of the Bass Nursery Areas is prohibited during the closed seasons.

- Don't forget that for recreational fishers a bag limit of one fish per day between 1st April & 31st October 2019 also applies.

Reporting Suspicious Activity.

D&S IFCA uses the intelligence that it receives to target its enforcement work which can include weekend and Bank Holiday working. If you see any suspicious or illegal fishing within the D&S IFCA District then please report it directly to us, anonymously on 07740 175479. You can subscribe to our free E-newsletter by contacting D&S IFCA.