

## Responsibilities

<b>Organisational Roles and Responsibilities</b>	<b>Relevant legislation or policy</b>	<b>Existing Management</b>
Maintenance of lighthouses, light vessels and buoys	Merchant Shipping Act 1995 (as amended) Marine Navigation Act 2013	All required consents are obtained before the commencement of works. Contractors are made aware of any local environmental sensitivities
Buoy laying	Merchant Shipping Act 1995 (as amended) Marine Navigation Act 2013	All required consents are obtained before the commencement of works. Contractors are made aware of any local environmental sensitivities
Superintendence and consent of local navigation	Merchant Shipping Act 1995 (as amended) Marine Navigation Act 2013	All required consents are obtained before the commencement of works. Contractors are made aware of any local environmental sensitivities
Wreck marking and/or disposal	Merchant Shipping Act 1995 (as amended) Marine Navigation Act 2013	All required consents are obtained before the commencement of works. Contractors are made aware of any local environmental sensitivities
Competent Authority with a general duty, in the exercise of any of their functions, to have regard to the EC Habitats Directive and Wild Birds Directive	Conservation (Natural habitats, &c.)	Any competent authority authorising a plan or project that may (either alone or in combination with other plans or projects), have a significant effect on the protected site, must undertake an appropriate assessment of the implications for that site in view of that site's conservation objectives
Statutory duty as a public authority to take	Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, as	Section 28G of the Wildlife and Countryside

<p>reasonable steps to conserve and enhance the special features of sites of special scientific interest (SSSIs)</p>	<p>amended</p>	<p>Act 1981(as amended) imposes a duty on public bodies in exercising their functions to take reasonable steps, consistent with the proper exercise of those functions, to further conservation and enhancement of the special features on a SSSI. This applies where the public body is exercising its statutory functions on a SSSI or on land outside the SSSI where those functions affect a SSSI.</p>
<p>Statutory duty as a public authority to further the conservation of biodiversity when carrying out their responsibilities.</p>	<p>The Wildlife and Natural Environment (Scotland) Act 2011</p>	<p>Under the Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act (2004), all public bodies in Scotland are required to further the conservation of biodiversity when carrying out their responsibilities. This includes coastal and marine biodiversity where relevant to the functions of the public body. The Wildlife and Natural Environment (Scotland) Act (2011) requires public bodies in Scotland to provide a publicly available report, every three years, on the actions which they have taken to meet this biodiversity duty.</p>