Accessibility statement for UK Fisheries Support

This accessibility statement applies to the UK Fisheries Support system.

This website is run by Marine Management Organisation.

We want as many people as possible to be able to use this website. For example, that means you should be able to:

- Change colours, contrast levels and fonts
- Zoom in up to 200% without the text spilling off the screen
- Navigate most of the website using just a keyboard
- Navigate most of the website using speech recognition software
- Listen to most of the website using a screen reader (including the most recent versions of JAWS, NVDA and VoiceOver)

We have also made the website text as simple as possible to understand.

AbilityNet has advice on making your device easier to use if you have a disability.

How accessible is this website?

MMO is aware that some parts of this website are not fully accessible, and further testing will be undertaken shortly. You can see a full list of any issues MMO is currently aware of in the Non-accessible content section of this statement.

Feedback and contact information

If you need information on this website in a different format like accessible PDF, large print, easy read, audio recording or braille please email us at:

• <u>UKFisheriesSupport@marinemenagement.org.uk</u>

It will help us if you can tell us what assistive technology you use.

Reporting accessibility problems with this website

We're always looking to improve the accessibility of this website. If you find any problems not listed on this page or think we're not meeting accessibility requirements, contact us.

Enforcement procedure

The Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC) is responsible for enforcing the Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018 (the 'accessibility regulations'). If you are not happy with how MMO responds to your complaint, contact the <u>Equality Advisory and Support Service</u> (EASS).

If you are in Northern Ireland and are not happy with how the MMO responds to your complaint you can contact the <u>Equalities Commission for Northern Ireland</u> who are responsible for enforcing the Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018 (the 'accessibility regulations') in Northern Ireland.

Contacting us

We are working to ensure that as much of our content as possible is presented in an accessible format for all our users.

If you experience any issues using marine licensing content or platforms, please contact us by calling the MMO helpline on 0300 123 1032 or emailing info@marinemanagement.org.uk.

Technical information about this website's accessibility

MMO is committed to making its website accessible, in accordance with the Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018.

Compliance status

This website is partially compliant with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.1 AA standard, due to the non-compliances listed below.

Non-accessible content

The content listed below is non-accessible for the following reasons.

Non-compliance with the accessibility regulations

On some pages, structural elements are used for visual formatting, however blind users depend on these elements to navigate documents. This does not meet WCAG 2.1 A F43 Section 508 (2017) A F43.

On some pages, fieldset elements are not labelled with legend elements. This does not meet WCAG 2.1 A H71 Section 508 (2017) A H71.

On some pages, content is inserted with CSS, which is not read by some screen readers, and not available to people who turn off style sheets. The following issues are specifically highlighted:

NVDA 2019.2 IE11 Windows 10 Reading: Text inserted by CSS content property not read

- NVDA 2018.4 IE11 Windows 10 Reading: Text inserted by CSS content property not read
- NVDA 2017.3 IE11 Windows 10 Reading: Text inserted by CSS content property not read
- NVDA 2016.2 IE11 Windows 10 Reading: Text inserted by CSS content property not read
- JAWS 2019.1912.1 IE11 Windows 10 Reading: Text inserted by CSS content property not read
- JAWS 2018.1811.2 IE11 Windows 10 Reading: Text inserted by CSS content property not read
- JAWS 18.0.5038 IE11 Windows 10 Reading: Text inserted by CSS content property not read
- JAWS 17.0.2619 IE11 Windows 10 Reading: Text inserted by CSS content property not read

This does not meet WCAG 2.1 A F87 Section 508 (2017) A F87.

On some pages, aria-labelled-by attributes do not point to IDs of elements in the same document. This does not meet WCAG 2.1 A 1.3.1 Section 508 (2017) A 1.3.1 ARIA 1.1.

On some pages, the visual label for the General Help link does not appear in the accessible name of the link and control. People who use speech control rely on being able to select elements using the visual label displayed on screen, which, if this isn't part of the accessible name, means they can't select elements by name. This does not meet WCAG 2.1 A F96 Section 508 (2017) A F96.

Within the system, the lang attribute is not used to identify the language of the page. As no lang attribute has been added to the HTML tag, screen readers cannot interpret the correct language and may be unable to pronounce words correctly. This does not meet WCAG 2.1 A 3.1.1 Section 508 (2017) A 3.1.1.

On all pages, there is no information about the general layout of the site, such as a site map or table of contents. This does not meet WCAG 2.1 AA 2.4.5 Section 508 (2017) AA 2.4.5.

On the Terms of Use and Applicant Declaration pages, the CSS outline or border style on the scrolling text box makes it difficult or impossible to see the dotted link focus outline. This does not meet WCAG 2.1 AA F78 Section 508 (2017) AA F78.

Disproportionate burden

At this time, MMO has not made any disproportionate burden claims regarding this service.

Content that is not within the scope of the accessibility regulations

None

Preparation of this accessibility statement

- This statement was prepared on 04/02/2021.
- It was last reviewed on 09/02/2021.
- It was last updated/amended on 09/02/2021.

This website was last tested on 02/02/2021. The testing was carried out internally by Marine Management Organisation.

The service was tested based on a user's ability to complete key journeys. Further accessibility testing will be performed moving forward following further releases of the service, and this statement will be updated in line with the outcome of this testing.