

Studland Bay Voluntary No Anchor Zone (VNAZ)

This notice is issued by Poole Harbour Commissioners on behalf of Marine Management Organisation (MMO).

Mariners are encouraged to avoid anchoring in the Studland Bay VNAZ to protect the seagrass beds from the dropping and weighing of anchors.

The seagrass habitats are home to protected species of seahorse, other wildlife and nursery grounds for commercially important fish.

Safety of life at sea will always come first - the right to anchor under emergency conditions, or to avoid a genuine emergency situation continues.

The voluntary area is in the South of the Studland Bay Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ) enclosed by a series of geodesic lines drawn from:

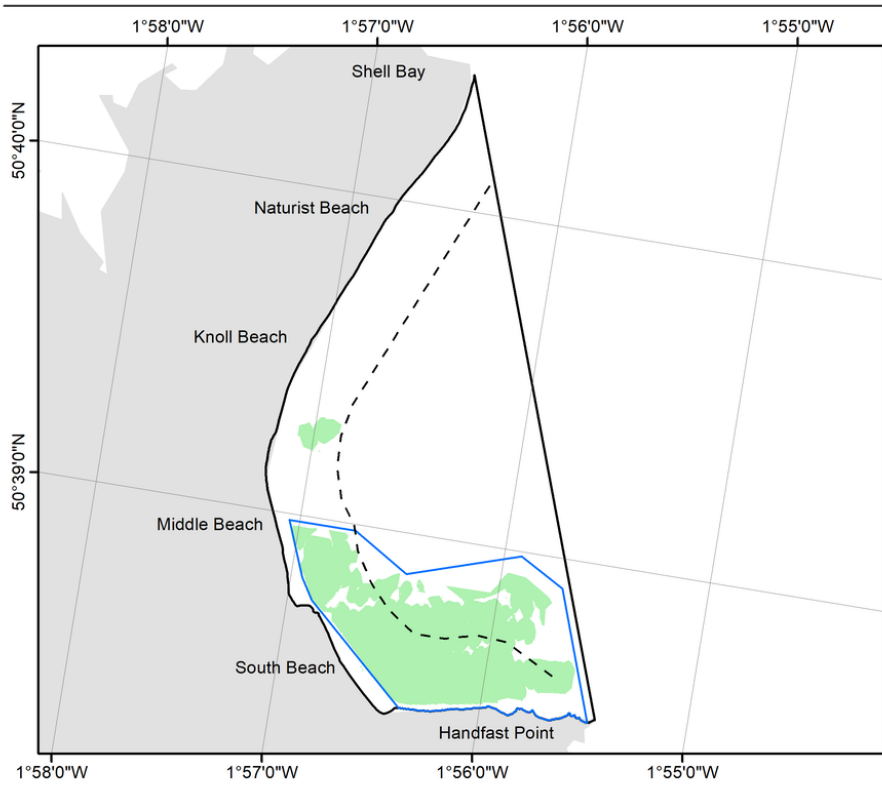
- Point 1 - 50°38.9814'N 01°57.0306'W; to
- Point 2 - 50°38.9814'N 01°56.7072'W; to
- Point 3 - 50°38.8752'N 01°56.4324'W; to
- Point 4 - 50°38.9868'N 01°55.8966'W; to
- Point 5 - 50°38.9094'N 01°55.6782'W; to the boundary of the MCZ at
- Point 6 - 50°38.5188'N 01°55.4568'W; following the boundary of the MCZ to
- Point 7 - 50°38.4690'N 01°56.3676'W; to
- Point 8 - 50°38.7504'N 01°56.8620'W; to
- Point 9 - 50°38.8146'N 01°56.9256'W; and returning to point 1.

Please find further information about the VNAZ [available here](#).



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- Studland Bay MCZ
- Dorset Council Pleasure Boat markers (5 knots max)
- Voluntary no anchor zone
- Seagrass beds (HOCI 17)

Date: 01/11/2021
 Coordinate System: ETRS 1989 LAEA
 Projection: Lambert Azimuthal Equal Area
 Datum: ETRS 1989
 MMO Reference: 10577



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Owners, Agents, Charterers, Marinas, Yacht Clubs and Recreational Water Sport Organisations should ensure that the contents of this Notice are made known to the masters or persons in charge of their vessels or craft.

CAPTAIN BRIAN MURPHY
HARBOUR MASTER

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