



PORTLAND HARBOUR AUTHORITY LIMITED



Local Notice to Mariners

No 27/2021(T)

AUTONOMOUS VESSEL OPERATIONS

Trial Dates	4 th to 8 th October 2021 11 th to 15 th October 2021
Trial Times	08:00 to 17:00
Trial Location	Portland Inner & Outer Harbours
Trials Vessel	MAST13 and MAST 9
Support Vessels	KITT

[L3 HARRIS](#) will be operating 3 vessels during an upcoming trial for QinetiQ in the Inner and Outer harbours. The vessels used are pictured below.

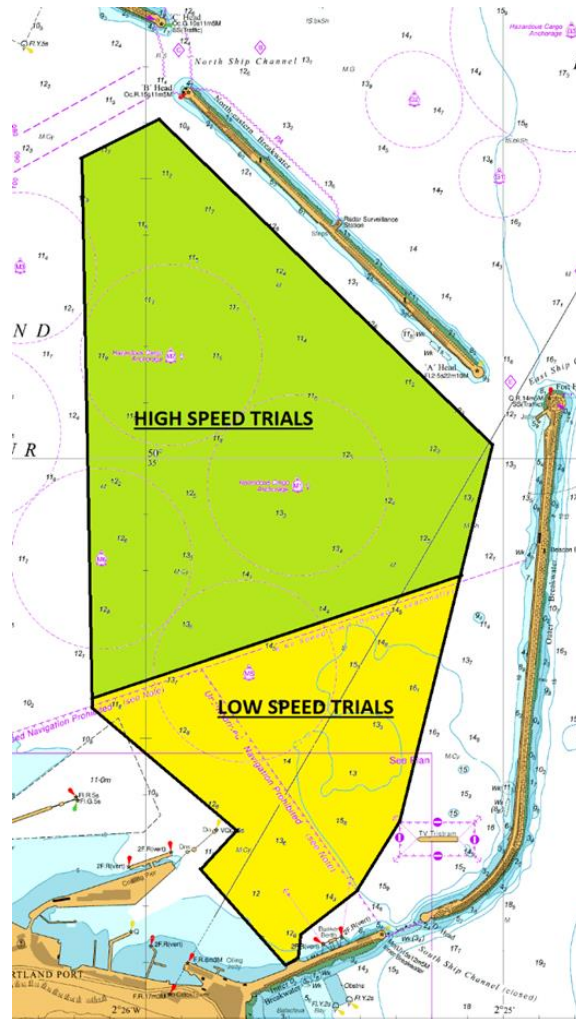


MAST13 and MAST 9 are Autonomous surface vehicles that can be operated manned or unmanned. When manned the vessels will navigate as per normal and when unmanned, a remote operator ashore will act as the Skipper and will comply with the standard maritime requirements including COLREGS.

KITT is a manned vessel that will act as Support Boat to MAST13 and MAST 9

All 3 vessels can be operated in either the manned or unmanned mode.

Mariners transiting in and out of Portland Harbour and in the vicinity of the East Ship, North Ship and South Entrances during these periods are advised to keep clear of above vessels and also when they are operating within the highlighted area below.



This Notice is issued under the powers vested by the Portland Harbour Revision Order 1997.

Captain M Shipley
General Manager (Marine)

1st October 2021

Owners, Agents, Yacht Clubs and Recreational Sailing Organisations should ensure that the contents of this notice are made known to the Masters or persons in charge of their vessels or craft.