

**SOUTH HAMS DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**SALCOMBE HARBOUR – KINGSBRIDGE ESTUARY**

**LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS NO 05 OF 2026**

## **Oil Spill Exercise**

Please be advised that on **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2026** Salcombe Harbour Authority will be engaged in an oil spill incident management exercise to comply with the OPRC Convention in line with our Oil Spill Contingency Plan, accredited by the MCA.

The exercise will involve the deployment of Tier 2 equipment such as the oil spill booms pictured below. The exercise will take place within Batson Creek and involve harbour personnel, craft and addition equipment deployed from and positioned near the Batson Slipway, quayside and within Batson Creek.



We do not anticipate that any facilities will be unavailable for the duration of the exercise but harbour operations will take up part of the Batson Slipway and Access Pontoon between 09:00 and 14:00. During this time please keep clear of the exercise. Should you be afloat be aware there will be towing operations within Batson Creek, please give a wide berth and pass with no wake.

Cancel this LNTM 27<sup>th</sup> February 2026.

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