Pagham Harbour MCZ Legal Requirements

Under the Sussex IFCA Marine Protected Area Byelaw and associated Pagham Harbour MCZ Schedule, it is prohibited for a person to:

- Use towed gear (e.g. a trawl or dredge)
- Fish with a net, pot or long lining gear
- Intentionally remove or damage seagrass
- Remove from the shore in a single day more than 5 edible crabs,
 20 crabs of other species, 1kg mollusc shellfish, 1kg
 prawns/shrimps, 1kg marine worms or 2kg seaweed
- Deposit any item on the seabed for the purposes of gathering marine resources

It is also prohibited in the Bird Conservation Area from 1^{st} April to 31^{st} August for a person to:

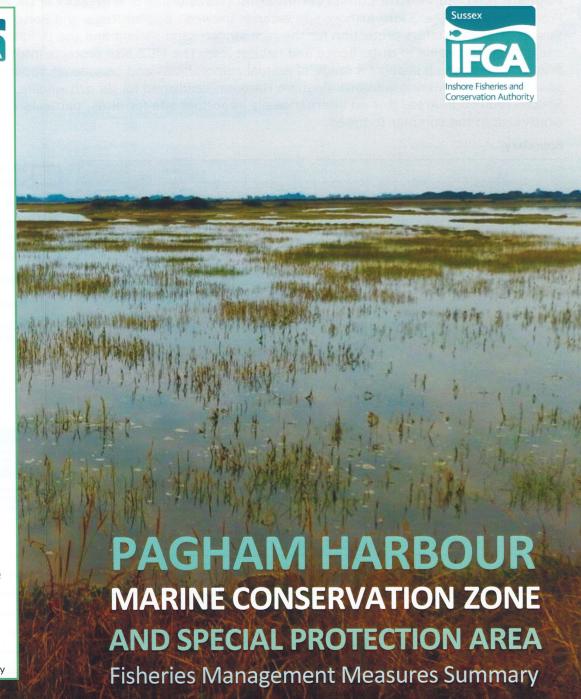
- Undertake intertidal gathering
- · Conduct rod and line angling

Please contact Sussex IFCA on **01273 454407** if you have information on any boat or person not complying with the statutory management for Pagham Harbour MCZ.

Inspections & Powers

Sussex Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Officers have the legal powers to board and inspect any vessel and inspect persons who may have been fishing. Please cooperate and support fisheries officers if you are inspected. Failure to comply with a fisheries officer's reasonable request during an inspection is an offence.

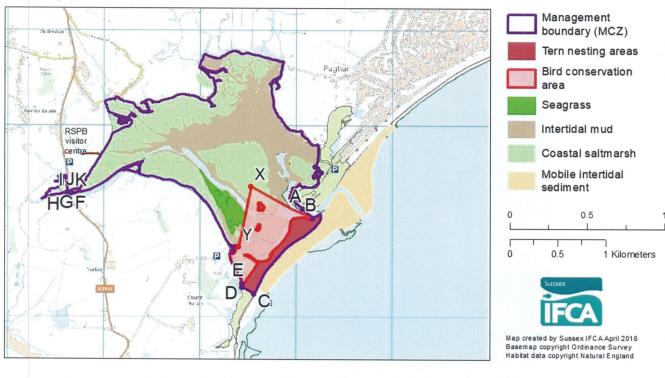
To view or obtain a copy of the Marine Protected Area Byelaw and Pagham Harbour MCZ and SPA management, please go to our website www.sussex-ifca.gov.uk or contact our office on 01273 454407.



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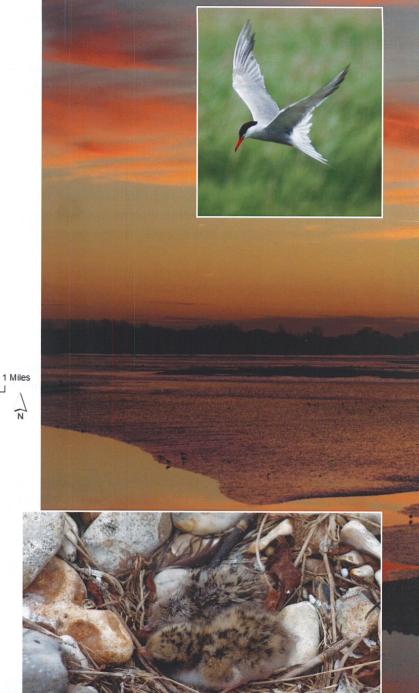
Pagham Harbour Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ) is one of a network of UK Marine Protected Areas. The 3 km² inshore site extends between Bognor Regis and Selsey in West Sussex. The MCZ offers protection for the rare lagoon sand shrimp and the Defolin's lagoon snail, both vulnerable to disturbance and habitat loss. The MCZ also protects intertidal seagrass beds which support a range of animal communities and provide an important food source for overwintering wildfowl. Pagham Harbour, renowned for its rich wildlife, is also a Special Protection Area. It is an internationally important site for birds, particularly terns which visit in the summer to breed.

Boundary



MCZ boundary and Bird Conservation Area

Point	Latitude	Longitude	Point	Latitude	Longitude
А	50° 45.49′ N	0° 45.16′ W	Н	50° 45.60′ N	0° 47.24′ W
В	50° 45.43′ N	0° 45.07′ W	1	50° 45.60′ N	0° 47.24′ W
С	50° 45.01′ N	0° 45.61′ W	J	50° 45.59′ N	0° 47.23′ W
D	50° 45.05′ N	0° 45.71′ W	K	50° 45.59′ N	0° 47.21′ W
E	50° 45.07′ N	0° 45.71′ W	Х	50° 45.58′ N	0° 45.53′ W
F	50° 45.59′ N	0° 47.21′ W	Υ	50° 45.25′ N	0° 45.65′ W
G	50° 45.59′ N	0° 47.23′ W			



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