

## Marine Reporting Units used in Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD) for the 2018 reporting - INTERNAL - version 3.0, Jun. 2023

The Marine Reporting Units (MRUs) are used within the reporting obligations of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD) in order to link the reported information for implementation of the different articles (e.g., Article 8 assessments, Article 13 measures) to specific areas of the Member State's marine waters.

Version 3.0 includes the MRUs used for the MSFD 2018 reporting on updates of Articles 8, 9 and 10. In addition to the twenty countries included in version 2.0 of the dataset (BE, CY, DE, DK, EE, ES, FI, FR, HR, IE, IT, LT, LV, MT, NL, PL, PT, RO, SE, SI), this version includes three additional countries, namely BG, EL and UK, thereby providing MRUs for all 23 Member States which have marine waters.

The MRUs can be of varying sizes, according to the appropriate scale for the different reports (e.g., Member State's entire marine waters, WFD coastal water bodies), or subdivisions of an MSFD marine region or subregion. For the 2018 reporting, some Member States reported different (sets of) MRUs for Article 8 assessments for different MSFD Descriptors, while others used a single (set of) MRUs for all Descriptors. Further, some Member States reported MRUs which extended beyond their marine waters (e.g., as used for Regional Sea Convention and ICES assessments).

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<b>Spatial scope</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• European</li> </ul>
<b>INSPIRE priority data set</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Directive 2008/56/EC</li> <li>• Marine reporting units (Marine Strategy Framework Directive)</li> </ul>
<b>EEA topics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seas and coasts</li> </ul>
<b>Use constraints</b>	Other restrictions
<b>Other constraints</b>	This data should not be understood as representing international marine borders. To this end, the following disclaimer will accompany the data: "This map serves as a working mean only and shall not be considered as an official or legally-binding map representing marine borders in accordance with international laws. This map shall be used without prejudice to the agreements that will be concluded between Member States or between Member States and non-EU Countries in respect of their marine borders.".
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## Conformance result

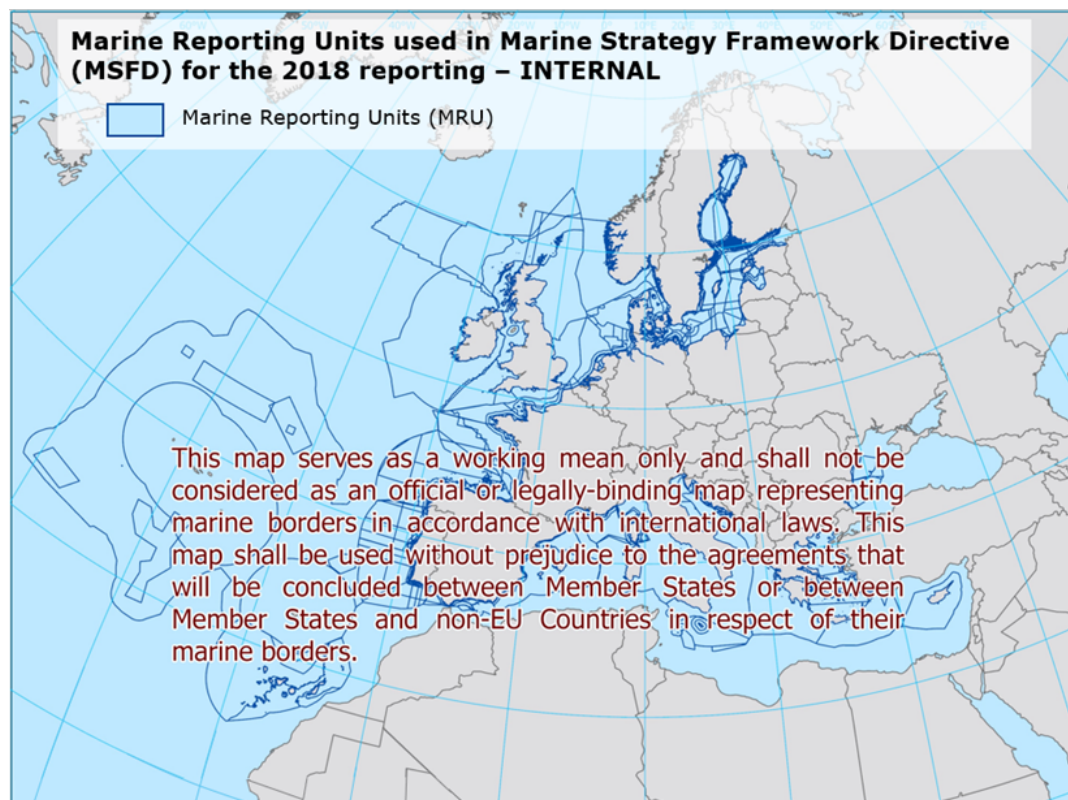
<b>Date (Publication)</b>	2010-12-08
<b>Explanation</b>	See the referenced specification
<b>Pass</b>	Yes

<b>Statement</b>	<p>The present MRUs dataset is a compilation of the layers submitted by Member States (in spatial format) to the European Commission in the context of the 2018 MSFD reporting exercise (update of Articles 8, 9 and 10). This pan-European data set has been created in GML following the INSPIRE 'Area management / restriction / regulation zones and reporting units' theme data specifications (available at <a href="https://inspire.ec.europa.eu/id/document/tg/am">https://inspire.ec.europa.eu/id/document/tg/am</a> ). For the development of the GML, a number of fields have been added and filled in with the criteria described in the document 'Development of a pan-European data set of Marine Reporting Units' (file "Documentation_MRUs_v1-1.pdf" provided with the data set). A shapefile format version has also been produced.</p>
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