

MOD Pendine Programme Information

Firings will take place for the duration of each day as specified below:

Dates	Activities
21 February	Local Gunfire
22 February	Local Gunfire
23 February	Beach open to the public
24 February	Beach open to the public
25 February	Local Gunfire
26 February	Local Gunfire
27 February	Local Gunfire
28 February	Local Gunfire
01 March	Local Gunfire
02 March	Beach open to the public
03 March	Beach open to the public
04 March	Local Gunfire
05 March	Local Gunfire
06 March	Local Gunfire
07 March	Local Gunfire
08 March	Local Gunfire

Good morning,

I am writing to notify you of the potential increase in noise levels during an activity that is taking place from the 24th of January through to the end of February 2019 at the Ministry of Defence (MOD) Test and Evaluation Range at Pendine.

These noise levels may exceed the site's usual noise limit of 135 decibels (dB) and noise monitoring will be in place during this period.

QinetiQ operate the facility on behalf of the MOD, and as part of the work to plan and manage explosive trials carry out acoustic forecasting, modelling and/or subsequent test shots. If it is assessed that the upper range limit of 135 dB might be exceeded, the trial may be postponed until more favourable conditions allow. However it is not always possible to delay and the trial is allowed to proceed as long as the statutory noise limit of 140dB will not be breached.

QinetiQ operates an advance alert service to inform the local community about forthcoming range activity. Registration is free via QinetiQ's website at www.pendine.QinetiQ.com and the QinetiQ Careline team can be contacted via Freephone telephone on 0800 0921345.

Activity Descriptions

Beach = *MOD beach only. The closures do not apply to the public part of the beach at Pendine village.*

Local Gunfire = Gunfire that is likely to be noticed only by communities close to MOD Pendine.

Gunfire = Gunfire that may be noticed by communities in the vicinity of the MOD Pendine.

Explosions = Explosions that may be noticed by communities in the vicinity of MOD Pendine and Taf Estuary.

Visible smoke= smoke that may be noticed by communities in the vicinity of MOD Pendine and Taf Estuary.

The operating hours are usually from 0800 hrs to 1615 hrs. However these times may be subject to change or extension at any time without opportunity for prior notice.

Red flags or red lights indicate that firing is taking place and that the beach (within the Land Area) plus the Sea Area are closed to general public access for safety purposes. If you need to cross the Sea Area during firing, for your safety, please contact Range Control before you enter on 01994 45 2240 on VHF Channels 16 or 73. The coordinates of the buoys marking the Sea Area can be found on the website below.

This schedule is subject to not only the daily acoustic forecast, but also to tide times, weather conditions and operational requirements. Any one, or a combination of these factors, may mean that the activity has to be cancelled and rescheduled at short notice and it may not always be possible to provide you with an updated schedule of work.

QinetiQ conducts work at MOD Pendine on behalf of the MOD, under contract with the Secretary of State for Defence. Because of the nature of the work, QinetiQ is limited as to the level and detail of information it can provide in these communications.

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