

2002 No. 1858

PROTECTION OF WRECKS, ENGLAND

The Protection of Wrecks (Designation) Order 2002

<i>Made - - - - -</i>	<i>17th July 2002</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>17th July 2002</i>
<i>Coming into force - -</i>	<i>18th July 2002</i>

The Secretary of State, being satisfied that the site identified in article 2 of this Order is, or may prove to be, the site of a vessel lying wrecked on or in the sea bed and that, on account of the historical, archaeological and artistic importance of the vessel or of any objects contained or formerly contained in it which may be lying on the sea bed in or near the wreck, the site ought to be protected from unauthorised interference, and that this case is one in which an order should be made as a matter of immediate urgency, in exercise of the powers conferred on her by section 1(1), (2) and (4) of the Protection of Wrecks Act 1973(a), hereby makes the following Order—

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Protection of Wrecks (Designation) Order 2002 and shall come into force on 18th July 2002.

Identification of site and designation of restricted area

2.—(1) The site in respect of which this Order is made is hereby identified as the site where the Bonhomme Richard may lie wrecked on the sea bed at Latitude 54° 11.502' North, Longitude 000° 13.481' West.

(2) The area within a distance of 300 metres of Latitude 54° 11.502' North, Longitude 000° 13.481' West, but excluding any part of that area which lies above high water mark of ordinary spring tides, shall be a restricted area for the purposes of the Protection of Wrecks Act 1973.

17th July 2002 *Tessa Blackstone*
Minister of State, Department for Culture, Media and Sport

(a) 1973 c. 33.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order designates as a restricted area for the purposes of the Protection of Wrecks Act 1973 the area within a distance of 300 metres from the site which is believed to be the wreck of the **Bonhomme Richard**, which the Secretary of State is satisfied ought to be protected, as a matter of immediate urgency, from unauthorised interference on account of its historical, archaeological or artistic importance.

The position given by the co-ordination in Article 2(1) of the Order is based on datum WGS 84.

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