

### **APPENDIX 3 - Beach Recharging and Blanketing of Groynes**

**Beach recharging/importation** - Beach recharging is generally required where beach material has been lost in the vicinity of a slipway toe that dries at low water and therefore creates a 'drop off' which endangers launching and recovery. Material for recharging would be obtained in the general vicinity of the slipway. If significant loss takes place it may be necessary to import material or consider beach reinforcement. The applicant would be content for the imported material to be subject to a Condition e.g. "*The licence holder must ensure that any imported beach material used is from a recognised source free from contaminants and contains minimal fines*" (this is the approach adopted in England) or as an alternative a Condition Marine Scotland considers appropriate.

**Blanketing of groynes** - Blanketing of groynes is only necessary where access around the groyne cannot be safely achieved or to ensure that any machine stays above the tide line. In this situation, any material that is moved would be temporary only, and would be sourced immediate to the area of the crossing.