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WRECK AMNESTY

The Joint Nautical Archaeology Policy Committee is very pleased to support the Wreck Amnesty that is being launched by the Receiver of Wreck.

We believe that this is a necessary next step to ensure the continuing protection of this country's nautical heritage and to improve the knowledge of the law by divers and other sea users.

We have been working with the Receiver of Wreck for many years and the amnesty illustrates the commitment by the Maritime and Coastguard Agency to the reporting of historic wreck so that important information about our nautical heritage is not lost. These measures are in line with the proposals made by the JNAPC in '*Heritage at Sea*' published in 1989.

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