

Important Notice – Portuguese Man O’War

16th June 2023

A member of the public reported seeing a Portuguese Man O’War at South Beach, Skerries on Thursday:



An inspection of the beach today found no further sightings of the Portuguese Man O’War.

Excerpt from Jellyfish ID Card:



Species 8: Portuguese Man O’War (*Physalia physalis*).
Again not a true jellyfish but related. Large & conspicuous float up to 30cm long & 10cm wide. Float is silver-blue with red/pink tinging. rest of colony is blue purple. **WARNING!**
Inflicts severe stings.

The Jellyfish ID Card and other useful information, including the treatment of stings, is available from the HSE website, which can be accessed using the following link:

<https://www.hse.ie/eng/health/hl/water/bathing/jellyfish-in-irish-coastal-waters.html>