

## PRESENTATION

Four areas or levels of maritime planning are established depending on the scale of intervention. There is a hierarchical relationship between these, with the first level corresponding to the Straits Subdivision, which extends from the border with Portugal at the mouth of the Guadiana River to Cape Gata.

The second level is made up of the so-called Sub-regions, which are homogeneous morphological units: Gulf of Cadiz, Straits of Gibraltar and the Alboran Sea.

The third planning area is the subzones, established on the basis of their homogeneity, their links to territory and their morphology, as a result of which they come under the previous level. There are six subzones in the Straits Subdivision: 1 Huelva, 2 Gulf of Cadiz, 3 Cadiz EEZ, 4 Straits, 5

Malaga and 6 Almeria.

The fourth level is the local level and is made up of coastal-marine morphological types such as the coves and inlets, gulfs and bays found in each of the subzones, and the ports and harbours existing there.

Thanks to their morphology, delimitation and siting, these types of geographical features are especially significant in territorial, economic and strategic terms as they are optimum locations for constructing ports and concentrating uses and economic activities.

There are six morphological types (Huelva, Guadalquivir estuary, Cadiz Bay, Algeciras Bay, Malaga cove and Almeria Bay) and five ports (port of Huelva, Bay of Cadiz port, Algeciras Bay port, port of Malaga and port of Almeria).

## BASIC DATA

PLANNING AREAS	NAME
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Subdivision</li> </ul>	Straits Subdivision
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sub-region</li> </ul>	Sub-region 1: Gulf of Cadiz
	Sub-region 2: Straits
	Sub-region 3: Alboran Sea
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Subzone</li> </ul>	Subzone 1: Huelva
	Subzone 2: Gulf of Cadiz
	Subzone 3: Cadiz EEZ
	Subzone 4: Straits
	Subzone 5: Malaga
	Subzone 6: Almeria
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local level</li> </ul>	Local level 1: Huelva
	Local level 2: Guadalquivir estuary
	Local level 3: Cadiz Bay
	Local level 4: Algeciras Bay
	Local level 5: Malaga cove
	Local level 6: Almeria Bay

