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## The Salmon Carcass Tagging (Scotland) Regulations 2016

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No abre el plazo - Nezaahajuje odklady - Fristerne indledes ikke - Kein Fristbeginn - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - Καμμία έναρξη προθεσμίας - Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de délais - Non fa decorrere la mora - Neietekmē atlikšanu - Atidėjimai nepradedami - Nem nyitja meg a késések - Ma' jiftaħ il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Nao inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Määräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist - Не се предвижда период на прекъсване - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare.

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#### 1. Structured Information Line

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#### 3. Originating Department

Scottish Government - Marine Scotland

#### 4. Notification Number



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## **5. Title**

The Salmon Carcass Tagging (Scotland) Regulations 2016

## **6. Products Concerned**

Salmon caught in Scotland and the tags to be affixed to the salmon. The salmon carcasses must be tagged before or on landing the fish.

## **7. Notification Under Another Act**

- Directive 2000/13/EC on the labelling and presentation and advertising of foodstuffs

## **8. Main Content**

The regulations place a requirement for salmon carcasses, where the fish are taken in Scotland, to be tagged with a salmon tag before, or on, landing the fish. Salmon tags will be issued by the Scottish Ministers. The regulations specify that the tag must have a cable tie and lock and be capable of fitting through the mouth of the salmon to emerge from the gill opening and be secured using the cable tie and lock. The salmon tag must also contain a unique reference number and the name of the salmon fishery within which the salmon was taken. The tag may only be removed where the fish is prepared for cooking or smoking or is cut immediately prior to its being sold or when prepared for personal consumption.

## **9. Brief Statement of Grounds**

The Scottish Government is committed to the enhanced regulation of fisheries management and conservation in Scotland. The regulations will create a unique numbered tagging scheme for Scotland. The tagging regime is designed to provide enhanced traceability for salmon which finds its way on to the market. That will support the more effective enforcement of the current management framework of freshwater fisheries. The intention is that these measures will supplement existing conservation measures and allow statistics recorded with the new tagging system to be used to calculate sustainable fisheries stocks. The tagging system will provide assurances to purchasers of the authenticity of the product and will provide added protection to those operating legitimately in the commercial market.

## **10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts**

References of the Basic Texts: Section 21A of the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2003  
-provides the power to make the regulations for salmon carcass tagging

Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Bill - Policy Memorandum - paragraphs 115-121 provide background information on the policy behind the introduction of the tagging scheme

## **11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure**

No

## **12. Grounds for the Emergency**

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**13. Confidentiality**

No

**14. Fiscal measures**

No

**15. Impact assessment**

Draft Business Regulatory Impact Assessment is enclosed which is subject to public consultation along with the draft regulations

**16. TBT and SPS aspects**

TBT aspect

No - The draft has no significant impact on international trade

SPS aspect

No - The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure

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