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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND 2014 No. FISHERIES The Foyle Area and Carlingford Area (Angling) Regulations 2014

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Message

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No abre el plazo - Nezahtuje odklady - Fristerne indledes ikke - Kein Fristbeginn - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - Καμία 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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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2014 No.

FISHERIES

The Foyle Area and Carlingford Area (Angling) Regulations 2014

6. Products Concerned

The proposed Regulations provide specifications for design, construction and use of a landing net, keepnet or keepsack for recreational angling.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The proposed Regulations consolidate the Foyle Area and Carlingford Area (Angling) Regulations 2001 and the 6 sets of amending Regulations

The proposed Regulations reduce the number of fish that an angler can take in any season, and consequently reduce the number of carcass tags available to each angler.

To introduce Regulations to ensure that keep nets for coarse fish are of a design that minimises the risk of injury to fish.

Regulation 8 provides for design, construction and use of a landing net, keepnet or keepsack.

A person shall not use—

(a) a landing net with any knotted meshes (excluding knots along the seams of the net) or meshes of metallic material;

(b) a keepnet—

(i) with any knotted meshes or meshes of metallic material;

(ii) having any holes in the mesh larger than 25mm internal circumference;

(iii) of less than 2 metres in length; or

(iv) with supporting rings or frames greater than 40cm apart (excluding the distance from the top frame to the first supporting ring or frame) or less than 120cm in circumference;

(c) a keepsack—

(i) which is not constructed of a soft, dark coloured, non-abrasive, water permeable fabric;

(ii) which has dimensions of—

(aa) less than 120cm by 90cm if rectangular; or

(bb) less than 150cm by 30cm by 40cm if used with a frame or designed with the intention that a frame be used.



9. Brief Statement of Grounds

To consolidate the Foyle Area and Carlingford Area (Angling) Regulations 2001 and the 6 sets of amending Regulations to ensure that the Loughs Agency complies with the principles of better regulation and to assist stakeholder understanding of the Regulations.

To reduce the number of fish that an angler can take in any season, and consequently reduce the number of carcass tags available to each angler, in an attempt to minimise salmon mortality from angling in those rivers that are not restricted to catch and release by Regulation.

The proposed Regulations introduce a new Regulation outlining the standard for the construction and use of a landing net, keep net or keep sack to ensure that keep nets for coarse fish are of a design that minimises the risk of injury to fish and subsequently help to ensure healthy stock.

Coarse fishing stakeholders, at a series of information meetings, asked the Loughs Agency to introduce the same provisions that exist in England and Wales relating to the use of keep nets and keep sacks.

The Loughs Agency has reviewed the provisions contained within bye-laws introduced by the Environment Agency of England and Wales and has added these provisions to this Regulatory change.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

No Basic Text exists

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

Yes

16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT aspect

No - The draft has no significant impact on international trade

SPS aspect



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Single Market for goods
Prevention of Technical Barriers

No - The draft has no significant impact on international trade

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