



Fisheries Act (Northern Ireland) 1966

1966 CHAPTER 17

PART I

FUNCTIONS OF THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

OTHER PROVISIONS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT AND PROTECTION OF FISHERIES

^{F1}11 ^{F2} Fish culture licences.

- (1) Subject to the following provisions of this section and sections 11A and 11C, the Department may by licence (referred to as "a fish culture licence") authorise any person—
 - (a) to operate a fish farm at a place specified in the licence, and
 - (b) to carry on in connection therewith such operations in relation to the culture of fish of any kind specified in the licence as may be so specified.
- (2) A fish culture licence—
 - (a) may contain such conditions as the Department considers appropriate; and
 - (b) shall include, in particular, conditions as to the times and seasons at and the manner in which fish may be taken.
- (3) A fish culture licence may, in so far as is expedient for the purpose of giving effect to any such conditions, exempt—
 - (a) the holder of the licence and any person acting under his directions, and
 - (b) a person who acquires fish of any kind taken in accordance with such conditions,from the restrictions imposed by section 111 in so far as those restrictions apply to fish of that kind.
- (4) Without prejudice to subsections (2) and (3), and notwithstanding anything contained in this Act or any regulation ^{F3} . . . made under this Act, a person to whom a fish culture licence is granted and any person acting under his directions may, subject to the conditions contained in the licence, do any of the things authorised by the licence.

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- (5) If any person—
- (a) operates a fish farm with respect to which a fish culture licence is not for the time being in force; or
 - (b) operates a fish farm with respect to which such a licence is in force, otherwise than in accordance with any conditions attached to the licence,
- he shall be guilty of an offence.
- (6) In this section and in sections 11A and 11B references to the operation of a fish farm include references to such operation in inland or tidal waters or within the seaward limits of the territorial sea adjacent to Northern Ireland.]

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F2 functions transf. by SR 2003/163

F3 Words in s. 11(4) repealed (1.6.2009) by [Public Authorities \(Reform\) Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2009](#) (c. 3), ss. 1(3)(b), 6, 7(1), Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 3(3), **Sch. 3** (with Sch. 1 Pt. 1 para. 4(3)); S.R. 2009/172, **art. 2(b)(e)**

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- s. 11(3) words substituted by [S.I. 2007/915 \(N.I.\) Sch. 2 para. 2\(1\)](#)