
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2014 No. 3342

**The Prohibition of Keeping or Release of Live Fish
(Specified Species) (England) (Amendment) Order 2014**

Title and commencement

- 1.—(1) This Order—
- (a) may be cited as the Prohibition of Keeping or Release of Live Fish (Specified Species) (England) (Amendment) Order 2014; and
 - (b) comes into force on 19th January 2015.

Amendment

- 2.—(1) The Prohibition of Keeping or Release of Live Fish (Specified Species) (England) Order 2014⁽¹⁾ is amended as follows.
- (2) After article 1(2), insert—
 - “(3) This Order does not apply to the keeping or release of live fish in inland waters”.
 - (3) After article 1, insert—

“Interpretation

- 1A.** In this Order—
- “freshwater fish” means any fish living in, or able to live in, fresh water;
 - “inland waters” means any water of a kind specified in section 221 of the Water Resources Act 1991⁽²⁾ except that it does not include—
 - (a) the River Tweed, or
 - (b) garden ponds less than 0.4 hectares in area, which are not fished, have no links to other waters and are located within the curtilage of a residential property”.
 - (4) For article 2(1), substitute—
 - “(1) No person may, except under the authority of a licence granted by the Secretary of State, keep or release any live freshwater fish, or the live eggs of any freshwater fish, which—
 - (a) belongs to a taxonomic order specified in the first column of the table in Part 1 of the Schedule; and
 - (b) is not native to England and Wales”.
 - (5) For Part 1 of the Schedule, substitute the table and the heading that appears in the Schedule to this Order.

⁽¹⁾ [S.I. 2014/143](#).

⁽²⁾ [1991 c. 57](#). The definition of “inland waters” in section 221 of the Water Resources Act 1991 includes a “watercourse”, the definition of which was amended by paragraph 128 of Schedule 22 to the Environment Act [1925 \(c. 25\)](#) and [S.I. 2013/755](#).

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Prohibition of Keeping or Release of Live Fish (Specified Species) (England) (Amendment) Order 2014. (See end of Document for details)*

14th December 2014

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