

1982 No. 198

FISHERIES

Eel Fishing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1982

Made 30th June 1982

Coming into operation 1st August 1982

The Department(a) of Agriculture in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 15 of the Fisheries Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(b) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Eel Fishing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1982 and shall come into operation on 1st August 1982.

Amendment to Eel Fishing Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979

2. The Eel Fishing Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979(c) shall be amended as follows:—

(1) In regulation 2 for the definition of “undersized eels” there shall be substituted the following—

“undersized eels means eels of a length less than 30 centimetres measured from the tip of the snout to the tip of the tail.”

(2) In regulation 4 after paragraph (2) there shall be inserted the following:—

“(3) A float referred to in paragraph (2) shall be clearly and legibly inscribed in figures not less than 10 centimetres in height with the licence number in respect of each fyke net or series of fyke nets marked by the float.”

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture on 30th June 1982.

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Assistant Secretary

(a) Formerly Ministry: see Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 (c. 36) s. 40 and Sch. 5 para. 8(1)

(b) 1966 c. 17 (N.I.)

(c) S.R. 1979 No. 19

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations provide a new definition of undersized eels for the purposes of the Eel Fishing Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979 and standardise the minimum length of eels which may be retained from all waters in the Fisheries Conservancy Board area at 30 centimetres. They also provide that each float marker used on a fyke net or series of fyke nets must be clearly marked with the licence number of each net or series of nets.