## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These regulations amend the Foyle Area and Carlingford Area (Angling) Regulations 2001 by:

- (a) permitting the use of bubble and fly method on specified Department of Culture, Arts and Leisure waters;
- (b) increasing the minimum gape of hook permitted for use while angling for salmon, sea trout or brown trout from 7 mm to 12 mm in the specified stretches of the Rivers Finn and Foyle;
- (c) prohibiting the use or attempted use of matter of vegetable origin or maggots as a bait while angling on specified Department of Culture Arts and Leisure waters;
- (d) providing that on any one day only 4 fish, being either brown trout or rainbow trout, or a combination of both, may be taken by rod and line and retained on specified Department of Culture, Arts and Leisure waters;
- (e) increasing the minimum gape of hook permitted for use while angling for salmon, sea trout or brown trout from 7 mm to 12 mm in any other waters to which restrictions to angling to catch and release applies;
- (f) permitting fly fishing only on Lough Brickland; and
- (g) extending the restriction of angling to catch and release to the remainder of the River Foyle.