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FOYLE FISHERIES

Foyle Area (Drift Netting) Regulations 1965

REGULATIONS, DATED 15TH APRIL, 1965, MADE BY THE FOYLE FISHERIES COMMISSION WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MINISTER FOR LANDS OF THE IRISH REPUBLIC UNDER SECTION 13 OF THE FOYLE FISHERIES ACT, 1952 AND OF THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER SECTION 13 OF THE FOYLE FISHERIES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1952.

The Foyle Fisheries Commission (hereinafter referred to as "the Commission") in exercise of its powers under Section 13 of the Foyle Fisheries Act, 1952, and Section 13 of the Foyle Fisheries Act (Northern Ireland) 1952, hereby makes the following regulations:

- 1. These Regulations may be cited as the Foyle Area (Drift Netting) Regulations 1965, and shall come into operation on the first day of May, 1965.
- 2. In these Regulations the expression "Foyle Area" has the meaning given to it in the Foyle Fisheries Act, 1952, and the Foyle Fisheries Act (Northern Ireland) 1952.
 - "Drift Net" means a net duly licensed as such by the Commission and having the specifications prescribed for it by the Foyle Area (Net Specifications) Regulations 1954.

References to Lough Foyle shall be construed as meaning those waters in the Foyle Area the seaward limit of which shall be an imaginary line drawn between Greencastle Fort, in the County of Donegal, and the Martello Tower at Magilligan Point in the County of Londonderry, and the upstream limit the defined mouth of the River Foyle.

- 3. In Lough Foyle:
- (a) No drift net or two or more drift nets joined together of greater length than eight hundred yards shall be used for the purpose of taking or with intent to take salmon.
- (b) No drift net shall be used for the purpose of taking or with intent to take salmon on any day between the period six o'clock in the morning and six o'clock in the evening.
- (c) No drift net or two or more drift nets joined together of greater length than eight hundred yards shall be carried on any boat; provided that this paragraph shall not apply to the carriage of nets on fishing boats proceeding to or from waters seaward of the Lough where fishing for salmon with a drift net may be lawfully carried out at that time.
- 4. Seaward of Lough Foyle:
- (a) No drift net or two or more drift nets joined together of greater length than one thousand five hundred yards shall be used for the purpose of taking or with intent to take salmon.
- (b) No drift net or two or more drift nets joined together of greater length than one thousand five hundred yards shall be carried on any boat in the Foyle Area.

- 5. These Regulations, if not earlier revoked, shall remain in force until the thirty-first day of August, 1965, and shall then cease to have effect.
- 6. The Londonderry-District Bye Laws dated the third of October, 1912, and the eighteenth of September, 1913, respectively, are hereby revoked in so far as they apply to the Foyle Area.

E. O'Kelly,

Member of the Commission nominated by the Minister.

The Minister for Lands hereby approves of the foregoing regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Minister for Lands this 23rd day of April, 1965.

D. O'Sullivan,

A person authorised by the Minister to authenticate the Official Seal of the Minister.

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Given under the Official Seal of the Foyle Fisheries Commission this fifteenth day of April, 1965.

W. Howe Elliott.

Member of the Commission nominated by the Ministry.

The Ministry of Agriculture hereby approves of the foregoing regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 15th day of April, 1965.

J. V. Bateman,

Assistant Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.)

The effect of these Regulations is to prohibit drift netting in Lough Foyle during the period from 6 a.m. until 6 p.m. each day and to regulate the maximum length of nets used in Lough Foyle and seaward of it.