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PART VI

**GENERAL RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF FISHING
ENGINES OTHER THAN ROD AND LINE OR HAND LINE**

36. A person shall not use for the purpose of taking or with intent to take salmon or freshwater fish, any net made from synthetic fibres (except a landing net used solely as an auxiliary to lawful angling) which contains any material not constructed of either two or more multifilament yarns twisted and plied together or three or more multifilament yarns braided together.

37. A bait net shall not exceed 50 metres in length and shall have a mesh of not more than 6.5 millimetres from knot to knot or 26 millimetres to be measured all round each mesh.

38. A bait net shall not be used for catching salmon, trout or rainbow trout, and any such fish caught or taken in a bait net shall, without avoidable injury, be returned immediately to the water from which it was taken.

39. The mesh of the wings of any draft net for use in fresh water for the taking of salmon or freshwater fish shall be of a size not less than 21 millimetres from knot to knot or 84 millimetres to be measured all round each mesh and the mesh of the tail of such draft net (which tail shall not exceed 2.5 metres in length) shall be of a size not less than 6 millimetres from knot to knot or 24 millimetres to be measured all round each mesh.