



Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Act 1975

CHAPTER 51

SALMON AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES ACT 1975

PART I

PROHIBITION OF CERTAIN MODES OF TAKING OR DESTROYING FISH, ETC.

- 1 Prohibited implements.
- 2 Roe, spawning and unclean fish, etc.
- 3 Nets.
- 4 Poisonous matter and polluting effluent.
- 5 Prohibition of use of explosives, poisons or electrical devices and of destruction of dams etc.

PART II

OBSTRUCTIONS TO PASSAGE OF FISH

- 6 Fixed engines.
- 7 Fishing weirs.
- 8 Fishing mill dams.
- 9 Duty to make and maintain fish passes.
- 10 Power of appropriate agency to construct and alter fish passes.
- 11 Minister's consents and approvals for fish passes.
- 12 Penalty for injuring or obstructing fish pass or free gap.
- 13 Sluices.
- 14 Screens.
- 15 Power of appropriate agency to use screens etc. to limit movements of salmon and trout.
- 16 Boxes and cribs in weirs and dams.
- 17 Restrictions on taking salmon or trout above or below an obstruction or in mill races.

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- 18 Provisions supplementary to Part II.

PART III

TIMES OF FISHING AND SELLING AND EXPORTING FISH

- 19 Close seasons and close times.
 20 Close seasons and close times—fixed engines and obstructions.
 21 Eel baskets etc.
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 26 Limitation of fishing licences.
 27 Unlicensed fishing.
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 30 Introduction of fish into inland waters.

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 32 Power to enter lands.
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 34 Power to apprehend persons fishing illegally
 35 Power to require production of fishing licences.
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- 37 Prosecution etc. of offences.
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 39 Border rivers and Solway Firth.
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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1 — Close Seasons and Close Times

- 1 Close Seasons and Close Times
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SCHEDULE 2 — Licences

Duty on licences

- 1 (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2) below, there shall be payable...
- 2 Different duties may be fixed under paragraph 1 above for...
- 3 The appropriate agency shall at least one month before fixing...
- 4 If during the month immediately following the publication of a...
- 5 The appropriate national authority, with or without a local...
- 6 No duty fixed under the foregoing provisions of this Schedule...
- 6 Where the fixing or alteration of any duty takes effect...
- 7 The appropriate agency may grant a temporary licence, that is...
- 8 There shall be payable in respect of a general licence...

Net etc. licences for salmon and trout fishing

- 9 A person shall be treated for the purposes of section...
- 9 (1) A person who uses any licensable means of fishing...
- 10 The name and address of a servant or agent may...
- 11 The date of entry in the licence shall be stated...
- 12 Licences
- 13 The number of servants or agents whose names may at...
- 14 Any person who, with intent to deceive, enters on a...

Historic installations

- 14A (1) Where a fishing licence is granted in respect of...

Miscellaneous

- 15 Subject to section 26 above, a fishing licence shall be...
- 16 A fishing licence shall not confer any right to fish...
- 17 A fishing licence shall not authorise the erection of any...
- 18 The production of a printed copy of a statement purporting...

SCHEDULE 3 — Administration

Part I — ORDERS

Scope

- 1 An order may provide— (a) for the imposition, collection and...
- 2 An order shall not authorise a fixed engine to be...

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- 3 The Minister shall not grant a licence until he has...
- 4 An order may contain any incidental, consequential or supplemental provisions,...

Procedure

- 5 An application for an order may be made by any...
- 6 The applicant for an order shall give such security for...
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Part II — BYELAWS

General

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Purposes for which Byelaws may be made

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Part III — MISCELLANEOUS

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- 39 (1) Without prejudice to section 4 of the Water Resources...

SCHEDULE 4 — Offences

Part I — PROSECUTION AND PUNISHMENT

- 1 (1) Column 2 of the Table below gives a description...

Part II — PROCEDURE

- 2 Any offence against this Act committed on the sea-coast or...

- 3 Offences against this Act committed in Scotland shall be proceeded...
- 4 A justice of the peace shall not be disqualified from...
- 5 The court by which a person is convicted of an...
- 6 Schedule 3 to the Customs and Excise Management Act 1979...
- 7 An authorised officer may seize any fish bought, sold or...
- 8 Where any fish or any other thing of a perishable...
- 9 If a person is convicted of an offence against this...
- 10 A person who is prosecuted for an offence against this...
- 11 Where a court orders a fishing or general licence or...
- 12 Where any person is convicted of an offence against this...
- 13 A certificate under paragraph 12 above shall be receivable in...
- 14 In paragraphs 10 and 12 above “ proper officer ”...

SCHEDULE 5 — REPEALS

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