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FISHERIES

Bait Net Fishing

BYE-LAWS DATED 8TH APRIL 1968, MADE BY THE FISHERIES CONSERVANCY BOARD FOR NORTHERN IRELAND WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 26 OF THE FISHERIES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1966.

The Fisheries Conservancy Board for Northern Ireland in exercise of its powers under Section 26 of the Fisheries Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(**a**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, with the approval of the Ministry of Agriculture hereby makes the following Bye-Laws:

1. These Bye-Laws may be cited as the Lough Neagh and Lough Erne Bait Net Fishing Bye-Laws (Northern Ireland) 1968.

2. These Bye-Laws shall apply to Lough Neagh and Lough Erne.

3. In these Bye-Laws the expression "bait net" means any net used for the purpose of taking fish for bait for fishing.

4. A bait net shall not exceed fifty yards in length and shall have a mesh of not more than one-quarter inch from knot to knot to be measured along the side of the square or one inch to be measured all round each mesh, such measurements to be taken in the clear when the net is wet.

5. The duty payable in respect of any bait net licence shall be five shillings.

6. A bait net licence shall not be valid for the purpose of catching salmon or trout or the fry of salmon, trout or pollen and any such fish caught or taken in a bait net shall be returned immediately to the water from which they were taken without avoidable injury.

Sealed with the Common Seal of the Fisheries Conservancy Board for Northern Ireland this 8th day of April 1968.

(L.S.)

W. G. Malcolm,
Deputy Chairman.

R. G. Weaver,
Chief Inspector.

The Ministry of Agriculture hereby approves the foregoing Bye-laws.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 11th day of April 1968.

(L.S.)

J. V. Bateman,
Assistant Secretary.

(a) 1966, c. 17 (N.I.).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Bye-Laws but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Bye-Laws make it lawful to use nets in Lough Neagh and Lough Erne for the purpose of catching fish, with the exception of salmon or trout for use as bait. They prescribe a licence duty of five shillings in respect of each bait net.