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Drift Net Dimensions Byelaws (Northern Ireland) 1977

Made . . . . . *3rd February* 1977

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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 Department(b) of Agriculture hereby makes the following Byelaws:

Citation and commencement

1. These Byelaws may be cited as the Drift Net Dimensions Byelaws (Northern Ireland) 1977 and shall come into operation on 2nd May 1977.

Dimensions of drift nets

2. After Bye-law 42 of the Fisheries Consolidated, Amendment and Licence Duties Bye-laws (Northern Ireland) 1969(c) there shall be added the following Bye-laws:

"42(A) No person shall use for the capture of salmon in tidal waters any drift net containing more than 45 full meshes measured vertically between the top rope and the bottom rope of the net;

42(B) no person shall have on board any vessel used for drift net fishing for salmon in tidal waters:

(*a*) Any drift net of greater length than 1,500 yards;

(*b*) Any number of drift nets joined together in such a way that their total length is greater than 1,500 yards;

(*c*) Any number of drift nets which, if they were joined together, would have a total length greater than 1,500 yards;

(*d*) Any drift net containing more than 45 full meshes measured vertically between the top rope and the bottom rope of the net."

Sealed with the Common Seal of the Fisheries Conservancy Board for Northern Ireland on 3rd February 1977.

(L.S.)

Savill Hicks
Chairman

R. G. Weaver
Secretary

(a) 1966 c. 17 (N.I.)
(b) Formerly Ministry; *see* 1973 c. 36 s. 40 and Sch. 5 para. 8(1)
(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1969 No. 91 (p. 377)