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FISHERIES

Foyle Area (Suspension of Fishing) Regulations 1975

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The Foyle Fisheries Commission in exercise of its powers under section 13 of the Foyle Fisheries Act 1952(a) and section 13 of the Foyle Fisheries Act (Northern Ireland) 1952(b) with the approval of the Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries in the Republic of Ireland and of the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Foyle Area (Suspension of Fishing) Regulations 1975 and shall come into operation on 1st May 1975.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations—

"the Commission" means the Foyle Fisheries Commission;

"netting" means the use of nets for the purpose of taking salmon;

"period of suspension" means any period during which netting is suspended under these regulations.

Suspension of netting

3. Netting shall be suspended in accordance with the provisions of regulation 7 on the River Foyle, Lough Foyle and waters seawards of Lough Foyle for a period of 48 hours outside the weekly close time if—

(1) during the period 21st June to 30th June, both dates inclusive, the water level on the River Mourne rises above a reading of 20 inches on the Commission's river gauge situated immediately upstream of Sion Mills Weir and the Commission has not counted at least 150 salmon other than sea trout passing over Sion Mills Weir during the period 1st June to 20th June, both dates inclusive:

(2) during the period 1st July to 10th July, both dates inclusive, the water level on the River Mourne rises above a reading of 20 inches on the Commission's river gauge situated immediately upstream of Sion Mills Weir and the Commission has not counted at least 300 salmon other than sea trout passing over Sion Mills Weir during the period 1st June to 30th June, both dates inclusive;

(3) during the period 11th July to 31st July, both dates inclusive, the water level on the River Mourne rises above a reading of 20 inches on the Commission's river gauge situated immediately upstream of Sion Mills Weir and the Commission has not counted at least 600 salmon other than sea trout passing over Sion Mills Weir during the period 1st June to 10th July, both dates inclusive.

(a) No. 5 of 1952 (Republic of Ireland) (b) 1952 c. 5 (N.I.)