

# The Water Environment (Controlled Activities) (Scotland) Regulations 2011

# Application for a new Permit FORM C-2

# Please fill in this form to discharge trade effluent from a marine pen fish farm

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# **Site Details**

Site name: *See note 1 in Annex 1	
Site address & phone number: *See note 2 in Annex 1	
Name of receiving water: *See note 3 in Annex 1	
National Grid Reference at centre of cage group (10 character NGR, e.g. NR 1234 5678): *See note 4 in Annex 1	
Species of fish to be farmed: *See note 5 in Annex 1	
Maximum weight of fish (tonnes): *See note 6 in Annex 1	
Maximum stocking density (kg/m³): *See note 7 in Annex 1	
Number of pens: *See note 8 in Annex 1	
Dimensions of each pen (circumference, diameter & depth OR length, breadth & depth, in metres): *See note 9 in Annex 1	
Pen layout: *See note 10 in Annex 1	
Depth of water below pens: *See note 11 in Annex 1	
Expected production cycle (e.g. site will be stocked with fish for 22 months out of 24): *See note 12 in Annex 1	

# **Additional Information Required**

In addition to the information provided above, the following supporting information is required as a minimum: (If you have any queries about specific requirements please contact aquaculture.regulation@sepa.org.uk.)

1. A site plan, in JPEG format, showing the area licensed by the Crown Estate and/or the planning consent boundary in which the pens will be located which clearly shows the location, layout, design and dimensions of the pens within that boundary. The four corner mooring buoys should be clearly identified on the plan using 10 character National Grid References (e.g. NR 1234 5678).

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2. Outputs from relevant software modelling package(s) showing the projected dispersion of materials discharged (e.g. organic material, sea lice medicines, etc.) from the site.

3. The results of all environmental surveys undertaken (e.g. benthic surveys, hydrological surveys).

- 4. A list of all chemicals and sea lice medicines which are intended to be used on the site\*. Please note that the following details are required:
  - the trade name of the medicine or chemical and the manufacturer;
  - the active ingredient;
  - a copy of the manufacturers data sheet for each medicine or chemical;
  - a method statement explaining in detail how each medicine and chemical will be used;
  - total quantity of neat medicine or chemical or the total quantity of active ingredient to be used in a single treatment;
  - maximum concentration of the active ingredient for each medicine or chemical (where applicable) to be used in a single treatment;
  - details of storage arrangements for medicines and chemicals;
  - Information regarding any net anti-fouling coatings which may be used.

\*You should check product documentation (or if necessary, with the manufacturers) to establish if any of the chemicals listed in Annex 2 of this form are present. If any of these chemicals are present, you must list them and estimate the quantities which will be used.

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- 5. A Fish Production Plan (FPP), to include as a minimum:
  - a) Stocking plan for each production cycle;
  - b) Projected monthly biomass figures;
  - c) Anticipated time for which maximum biomass will be held during the production cycle.
  - d) Feeding plan stating:
    - i) the quantity of feed to be used;
    - ii) the proposed feeding method;
    - the expected feed conversion ratio in kg of fish production (wet weight) against kg of food (wet weight);
    - iv) the phosphorous content of the feed;
    - v) the nitrogen content of the feed and;
    - vi) the carbon content of the feed.
  - e) The means by which discharge of uneaten feed and fish faeces will be minimised.

Document name & reference
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- 6. A Medicine Minimisation Plan (MMP) to include, as a minimum:
  - a) All non-medicinal measures, techniques or treatments which will be implemented in order to reduce the use of sea lice medicines on site, and;
  - b) The methods to be employed to minimise the discharge of sea lice medicines, when they are used, stating:
    - i) how full containment of the pens will be achieved during bath medicine treatments;
    - ii) the proposed treatment volume for each bath medicine treatment, expressed as a percentage reduction of the pen volume.

Document name & reference	

7. A Seabed and Water quality Monitoring Plan (SWMP). This should detail how environmental monitoring will be carried out in order to demonstrate that the site is complying with the relevant conditions of the Permit.

8. Copies of any Management Agreements between the authorised person and any third party which relate to the operation of the site.

# **Declaration and Signature(s)**

The Responsible Person identified on the associated Form A must sign below. Please use a separate sheet if required.

It is an offence under Regulation 44 of the Water Environment (Controlled Activities) (Scotland) Regulations 2011 to:

- Make a statement which you know to be false or misleading in a material particular; or,
- Recklessly make a statement which is false or misleading in a material particular for the purpose of obtaining an authorisation (for yourself or anyone else).

#### If you make a false statement:

• We may prepare a report to the Procurator Fiscal who may prosecute you, and If you are convicted, you are liable to a fine or imprisonment, or both.

Declaration (\*delete as appropriate):

- \* **I/We** certify that the information in this application is correct.
- \* **I/We** apply for an authorisation in respect of the particulars described in this application (including any supporting documentation that \***I/We** have supplied)
- \* **I/We** specify the address given above as the address at which \***I/We** will accept service of notices from SEPA.

Please note that the responsible person must sign the declaration themselves, even if an agent is acting on their behalf as applicant contact. For applications from a company or other corporate body the individual(s) signing should be duly authorised to sign on behalf of the company or corporate body. Applications from a Scottish partnership must be signed by a partner of that partnership or a person authorised by the partnership to sign on its behalf.

Name: (Print)	Job title/ Position:	
Signature:	Date:	

#### Form Submission

- At present, SEPA cannot accept digital submission of application forms. Please post a USB drive or CD-R/DVD-R containing your completed application form and all supporting information to the relevant address listed below.
- For paper applications, please send 2 copies of all relevant application forms to the appropriate address, listed below. Supporting information should be submitted alongside the application forms on appropriate digital media, e.g. USB drives or CD-R/DVD-R.
- If you are unsure where to send your application, please call us on one of the numbers below or contact your local SEPA office or email regulation.aquaculture@sepa.org.uk.

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# Annex 1 – Application form Guidance

#### 1. Site name.

This should be the name of the fish farm.

### 2. Site address and phone number\*.

This should be the postal address and phone number of the site shore base.

\*Please note that this may not be the registered address of the Authorised Person, as this information should be provided on Form A.

#### 3. Name of receiving water.

This should be the name of the waterbody (e.g. Loch, Voe, Sound, etc.) in which the fish farm is to be located.

# 4. National Grid Reference (NGR) at centre of pen group.

This should be a single 10 character NGR (e.g. NR 1234 5678) at the centre, or as close to the centre as possible, of the pen group or groups.

## 5. Species of fish to be farmed.

This should be the common and scientific name of the species which is to be farmed at the site, e.g. Atlantic salmon (*Salmo salar*).

# 6. Maximum weight of fish\*.

This should be the projected maximum weight of fish (biomass), in tonnes, which will be held on site at any time. Any reference to "weight of fish" means the weight of fish in the pens including stomach contents and body fluids. This should not be after any periods of starvation. \*Please note that this figure should not include cleaner fish.

## 7. Maximum Stocking density (kg/m³).

This should be the maximum weight of fish per cubic metre of water in the fish pens.

#### 8. Number of pens.

This should be the total number of fish pens which will comprise the fish farm.

#### 9. Dimensions of each pen.

Depending on the type of pens used, this should be the circumference, diameter and depth in metres (for circular pens) or the length, breadth and depth in metres (for square or rectangular pens). If different pen sizes are to be installed, the measurements of each pen type or individual pen will be required. If each pen is to have the same dimensions, measurements will only be required once.

#### 10. Pen layout.

This should be:

- the number of pen groups;
- the number of pens in each group;
- the number of rows;
- the number of pens in each row;
- the gap between each pen; and
- the gap between each pen group (if applicable).

#### 11. Depth of water below each pen.

This should be the depth of water in metres from the bottom of the lowest part of each pen to the seabed. If any part of a fish pen is likely to touch the seabed, this information must be included.

# 12. Expected production cycle.

This should be a brief summary of the duration of each production cycle, for example "site will be stocked with fish for 22 months out of every 24 month period".

# **Annex 2: Substances**

Table 1 below details substances which must be highlighted within your application if they are contained within your discharge.

Table 1 - Substances

Substance	
Alachlor	PS
Aldrin	LIST I
Aluminium	SP
Anthracene	PSR
Arsenic	SP, LIST II
Atrazine	PSR, LIST II
Azinphos-methyl	LIST II
Bentazone	LIST II
Benzene	PS, LIST II
Biphenyl	LIST II
Boron	LIST II
Brominated diphenylether (only	PHS
Cadmium	PHS, LIST I
Carbon tetrachloride	LIST I
Chlorfenvinphos	PS
Chlorine	SP
Chloroalkanes, (C10-13)	PHS
Chloroform	LIST I
Chloronitrotoluenes	LIST II
2-Chlorophenol	LIST II
4-Chloro-3-methylphenol	LIST II
Chlorpyrifos	PSR
Chromium	SP, LIST II
Copper	SP, LIST II
Cyanide	SP
Cyfluthrin	LIST II
2,4 -D (ester)	LIST II
2,4-D (non-ester)	LIST II
DDT	LIST I
Demeton	LIST II
Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (DEHP)	PSR
Diazinon	SP
1, 2 Dichloroethane	PS, LIST I
Dichloromethane	PS
2,4-Dichlorophenol	LIST II
Dichlorvos	LIST II
Dieldrin	LIST I
Dimethoate	LIST II
Diuron	PSR
Endosulphan	PSR, LIST II
Endrin	LIST I
Fenitrothion	LIST II
Flucofuron	LIST II

Substance	
Fluoranthene	PS
Hexachlorobenzene	PHS, LIST I
Hexachlorobutadiene	PHS, LIST I
Hexachlorocyclohexane (Lindane)	PHS, LIST I
Iron	SP, LIST II
Isodrin	LIST I
Isoproturon	PSR
Lead and its compounds	PSR, LIST II
Linuron	LISTÎI
Malathion	LIST II
Manganese	SP
Mecoprop	LIST II
Mercury and its compounds	PHS, LIST I
Mevinphos	LIST II
Naphthalene	PSR, LIST II
Nickel and its compounds	PS, LIST II
Nonylphenols	PHS
Octylphenols	PSR
Omethoate	LIST II
PCSDS	LIST II
pentabromodiphenylether (PBDE))	PHS
Pentachlorobenzene	PHS
Pentachlorophenol	PSR, LIST I
Perchloroethylene	LIST I
Permethrin	SP, LIST II
Phenol	SP
Poly Aromatic Hydrocarbons	PHS
pp-DDT	LIST I
Simazine	PSR, LIST II
Sulcofuron	LIST II
Tetrachloroethane	SP
Toluene	SP, LIST II
Triazophos	LIST II
Tributyltin compounds	PHS, LIST II
Trichlorobenzene	PSR, LIST I
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	LIST II
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	LIST II
Trichloroethylene	LIST I
Trichloromethane	PS
Trifluralin	PSR, LIST II
Triphenyltins	LIST II
Vanadium	LIST II
Xylene	LIST II

**KEY:** PHS – Annex X priority hazardous substance

PS – Annex X priority substance PSR – Priority Substance Review

SP - Annex VIII substance covered by points 1 to 9 - termed as Specific Pollutant

List I - Dangerous Substances Directive List I substance, also listed in annex IX of WFD

List II - Dangerous Substances Directive List II substance (as agreed by UK, statutory EQS applies)