



STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS.

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I, TIMMY DOOLEY, Minister of State at the Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 29 of the Fisheries (Amendment) Act 1962 (No. 31 of 1962) and the Fisheries (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Function) Order 1977 (S.I. No. 30 of 1977) (as adapted by the Environment, Climate and Communications (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2025 (S.I. No. 235 of 2025)) and the Climate, Energy and the Environment (Delegation of Ministerial Functions) (No. 2) Order 2025 (S.I. No. 384 of 2025), hereby order as follows:

1. This Order may be cited as the Control of Fishing for Salmon (Amendment) Order 2026.

2. In this Order “Order of 2021” means the Control of Fishing for Salmon Order 2021 (S.I. No. 102 of 2021).

3. The Order of 2021 is amended –

- (a) by the substitution of the wording specified in Schedule 1 to this Order for Schedule 1 to the Order of 2021,
and
- (b) by the substitution of the wording specified in Schedule 2 to this Order for Schedule 2 to the Order of 2021.

Notice of the making of this Statutory Instrument was published in "Iris Oifigiúil" of 24th April, 2026.

“Schedule 1”

Articles 3, 5, 6, 7, 9 and 10.

Fishing Licences

(1) Fishery District	(2) Fishing Engine	(3) Maximum number of fishing licences
No. 17² or Dundalk District	Draft net	0
No. 17¹ or Drogheda District	Draft net	0
No. 1 or Dublin District	Draft net	0
No. 2 or Wexford District	Draft net	0
No. 3 or Waterford District	Snap net	0
No. 4 or Lismore District	Draft net	0
No. 5 or Cork District	Draft net	16
No. 7 or Kerry District	Draft net	14
No. 8 or Limerick District	Draft net	0
No. 9¹ or Galway District	Draft net	0
No. 9² or Connemara District	Draft net	0
No. 10¹ or Ballinakill District	Draft net	14
No. 10² or Bangor District	Draft net (special tidal waters)	0
	Draft net	0
No. 11 or Ballina District	Draft net	0
No. 12 or Sligo District	Draft net	0
No. 13 or Ballyshannon District	Draft net	0
No. 14¹ or Letterkenny District	Draft net (special tidal waters)	6
	Draft net	2

“Schedule 2”*Article 11.*

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APPLICATION FOR A SALMON FISHING LICENCE

(OTHER THAN ROD AND LINE)

IN THE _____ FISHERY DISTRICT

Part 1

Name of applicant: _____ Date of birth: _____

Home address: _____

Tel: _____

1. Details of number of fish caught in last 3 salmon fishing seasons
 - (a) If you held a salmon net fishing licence for any of the last 3 salmon fishing seasons, indicate in the table below the year or years in which you held the licence and the numbers of fish caught. Alternatively, you may tick the box at the top of the table for the number of fish caught and IFI will enter these details onto the form from your logbook returns during those years.
 - (b) If you have not held a salmon net fishing licence for any of the last 3 salmon fishing seasons but were authorised and named on a licence held by another person, complete the table below giving appropriate details of the licence holder and the number of fish caught.

Table

Year	Licence holder or authorised person (Please state which)	Number of salmon caught	Number of sea trout over 40cm caught
1			
2			
3			

Please tick if you wish these details to be taken from your logbook returns.
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Declaration

2.

- (a) I have/have not held a salmon licence issued by the Foyle Carlingford and Irish Lights Commission during the last 3 years (If so, give particulars).

- (b) I hereby apply for a salmon fishing licence to operate a _____ (state type of net etc.) during the _____ season in the _____ fishery district.

- (c) I wish to have the following person authorised and named to operate the licence in my absence during the _____ season in accordance with the Control of Fishing for Salmon (Amendment) Order 2026.

Name: _____ Date of birth: _____

Address: _____

Tel No.: _____

Signature of applicant: _____ Date: _____

Part 2
CERTIFICATE

This certificate must be completed in every application.

I, _____ certify that Mr/Mrs/Ms _____

who is known to me, is ordinarily resident in the address stated in Part I and signed this form in my presence.

Official Stamp of
Witness*

Signature: _____

* Position: _____

Address: _____

**Note:* The signature of the applicant for a fishing licence must be witnessed by either a Peace Commissioner, Clergyman, Fishery Officer, or member of the Garda Síochána in whose fishery district the applicant resides. The latest date for receipt of completed application forms is 30th April 2026 at 5:00 p.m. Completed application forms should be sent to:

River Basin District Director,
Inland Fisheries Ireland

PARTS I AND 2 OF THIS APPLICATION FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE THE FORM IS RETURNED TO THE APPROPRIATE IFI OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS INDICATED IN PART 3. PLEASE ATTACH BIRTH CERTIFICATE OF APPLICANT AND IF APPLICABLE, OF PERSON AUTHORISED TO OPERATE THE LICENCE.

**Part 3 Offices of
IFI**

River Basin District Director, Inland Fisheries Ireland, 3044 Lake Drive, Citywest Business Campus, D24 CK66, Ireland.	River Basin District Director, Inland Fisheries Ireland, Teach Breac, Earl's Island, Galway, H91 E2A2, Ireland.
River Basin District Director, Inland Fisheries Ireland, Anglesea Street, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary, E91 RD25, Ireland.	River Basin District Director, Inland Fisheries Ireland, Ardnaree House, Abbey Street, Ballina, Co Mayo, F26 KO29, Ireland.
River Basin District Director, Inland Fisheries Ireland, Sunnyside House, Macroom, Co. Cork, P12 X602, Ireland.	River Basin District Director, Inland Fisheries Ireland, Station Road, Ballyshannon, Co. Donegal, F94 WV76 Ireland.
River Basin District Director, Inland Fisheries Ireland, Ashbourne Business Park, Dock Road, Limerick, V94 NPEO, Ireland.	

GIVEN under my hand,
21 April, 2026.

TIMMY DOOLEY,
Minister of State at the Department of Climate,
Energy and the Environment.

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