

Department of Agriculture and Rural Development

***Application for a Fish Culture Licence and a Marine Fish Fishery
Licence for Fin Fish Farming in the Sea***

Fisheries Act (Northern Ireland) 1966 (As amended)

- **Please read the accompanying booklet carefully, particularly the requirements for an environmental impact assessment before completing this form.**

Applicant/Site details

The following should be submitted in support of your application;

- a chart indicating the exact co-ordinates and size of the site,
- confirmation of ownership or lease of the site, or letters of intent of sale or lease from owner, or a copy of the lease or consent in principle from the Crown Estate Commissioners, or other owner of the seabed,
- written confirmation from the Maritime and Coastguard Agency that the proposed development will not create a navigational hazard,
- a copy of the consent to discharge effluent granted by the Environment and Heritage Service, Water Management Unit, or written confirmation that you have applied for such consent under the Water Order (Northern Ireland) 1999,
- a business plan (see paragraph 11) in support of your proposed operation,
- an Environmental Impact Assessment report as required under the Environmental Impact Assessment (Fish Farming in Marine Waters) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999.

1. Name(s) of applicant(s)

2. Business address
(Including Post Code)

Telephone No.

Mobile No.

E-mail address

3. Company/Business name licence to be granted in:

4. Legal status

(e.g. individual, partnership, private company, public company, co-operative, etc)

5. Co-ordinates of site in Lat Long degrees, minutes and decimals of minutes.

Proposed production details

6. Do you intend to hold broodstock on the site? Yes No

7. What species of fish you intend to cultivate?

(a) Name of species

(b) Estimated annual production (tonnes)

8. Give details of proposed source(s) of fish to be introduced to the farm

9. When do you intend to install equipment on the site? Month Year

10. How many new jobs will the business create? Full-Time Part-Time
Casual

11. Please enclose a business plan in support of your application including a marketing strategy for your product, and details of any contracts you may have entered into.

12. Please provide details of any professional qualifications obtained, or your experience/history in fish farming.

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Proposals for design, layout and operations

- please provide plans of the site including details of structures and equipment to be used, illustrating their layout within the site, their position in relation to the seabed and the surface of the water,
- where any structures are to be anchored to the bed of the sea, please provide details of the anchors, a plan of their position and the attachments between anchors and the structures.

13. Please provide details of all structures to be placed on site:

Description	Number	Approximate dimensions (metres)		
		Length	Breadth/ diameter	Depth

14. Will the structures be anchored to the seabed?

Yes No

15 (a) From where will you service your site?

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(b) How will you harvest your site?
include details of fallow periods.

16. (a) Are any on-shore buildings or other structures proposed to service the site?

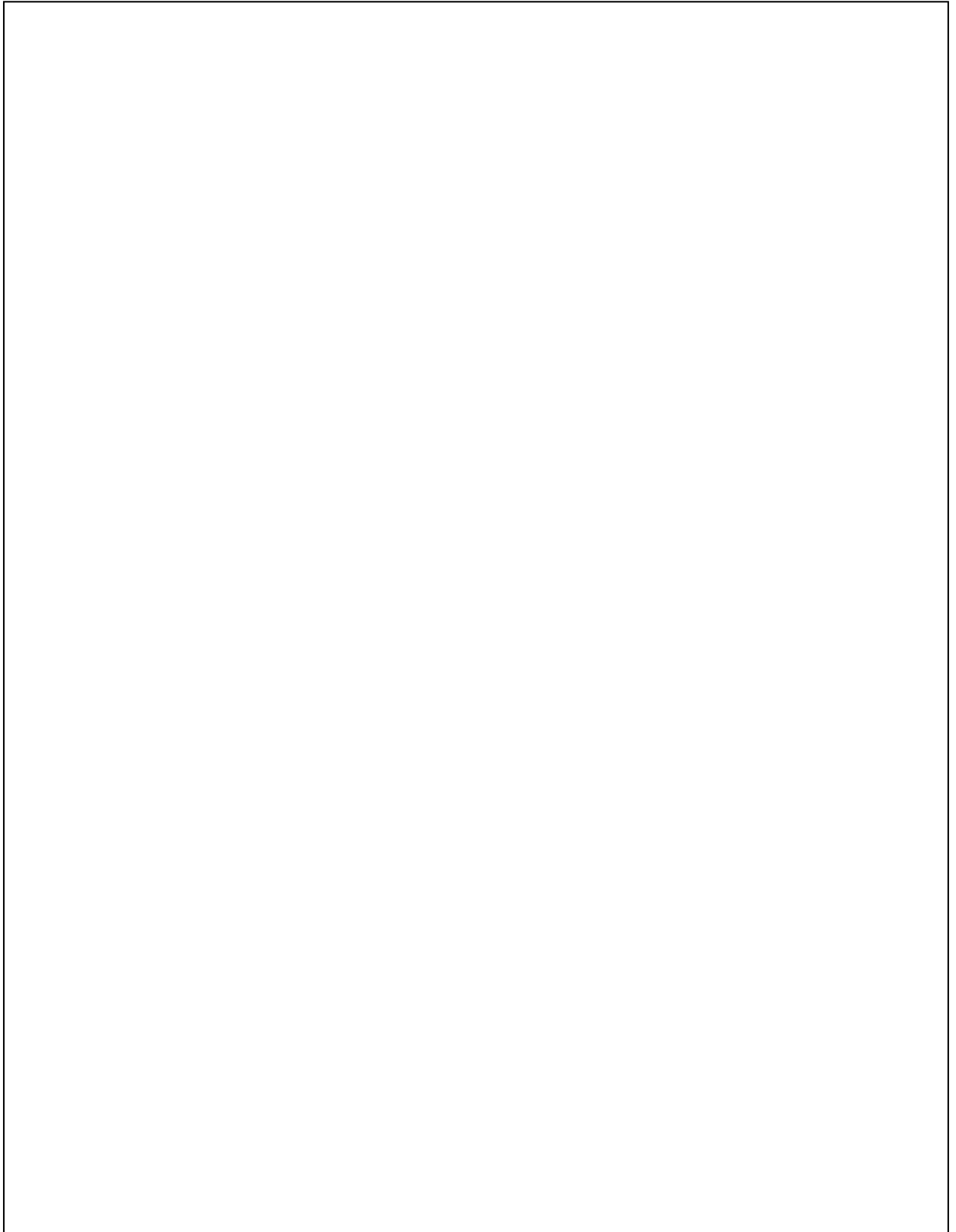
Yes No

(b) If Yes, please specify:

Description/purpose/use	Dimensions (metres)		
	Length	Breadth	Height

(c) Provide a description of the husbandry techniques to be used, describing the production cycle from stocking to harvest and detailing;

- 1) feed-stuffs and chemical additives where appropriate.
- 2) equipment and machinery.
- 3) boats and servicing frequency.

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for the user to provide a detailed description of husbandry techniques, including the production cycle from stocking to harvest, and details on feed-stuffs, equipment, and servicing frequency.

Protection of wildlife

17. Indicate the measures to be taken:

(a) To prevent farmed fish escaping from the farm.

(b) To recover escapees.

(c) To control and prevent predators gaining access to the farm.

(d) To prevent wild fish entering the farm.

Declaration

18. I hereby –

(a) apply for –

- (i) a fish culture licence;
- (ii) a marine fish fishery licence;

(b) declare that:-

- (i) the details provided in this application are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief;
- (ii) if the Department is minded to grant the licence(s), I understand that it shall advertise notice of this application in at least 2 newspapers circulating in the area of the proposed site, and in the case of a marine fish fishery licence in the Belfast Gazette, and that I will be required to reimburse the Department for the cost of the advertisements;
- (iii) I have no objections to the disclosure of any information contained in or accompanying this application. Where I do have any objections these are specified at 19 below;
- (iv) I understand that the licence(s) may be granted, refused, or granted subject to conditions, either with or without the holding of a local public inquiry by the Water Appeals Commission for Northern Ireland to consider objections to this application.

Signature

Date

Status

19. DATA PROTECTION AND FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ISSUES

The Department takes data protection and freedom of information issues seriously. It takes care to ensure that any personal information supplied to it is dealt with in a way which complies with the requirements of the Data Protection Act 1998. This means that any personal information you supply will be processed principally for the purpose for which it has been provided. However, the Department may also use it for other legitimate purposes in line with the Data Protection Act 1998 and Freedom of Information legislation. These include:

- Administration of the Common Agricultural Policy and other aid schemes;
- The production and safety of food;
- Management of land and other environmental controls;
- Animal health and welfare;
- Occupational health and welfare;
- Compilation of statistics;
- Disclosure to other organisations when required to do so; and
- Disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 or the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 where such disclosure is in the public interest.

However, notwithstanding the above, if you have any objections to the disclosure of any information contained in or accompanying your application, please indicate the information you do not wish to be disclosed, giving your general reasons.

The completed application, along with the supporting documentation, which has been requested on this form, should be returned to:

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