

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

Licence Application FORM C2

Please fill in this form when applying to operate a new marine fish farm or for a technical variation to an existing marine fish farm permit.

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1. Type of development

1.1 Is the development a new farm or a change to an existing farm? (Please tick box below as applicable)

A new farm

A change to an existing farm

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1.1.1 If the development is a change to an existing farm, what is the farm's licence number?

Licence number

CAR/L/1002994

1.1.2 If you have also applied for a planning consent relating to the proposed development, what is the planning application reference number issued by the local planning authority?

Planning application reference number, if applicable

IF THE DEVELOPMENT IS A CHANGE TO AN EXISTING FARM, PLEASE COMPLETE FORM G AND THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF THIS FORM AS INDICATED BELOW:

CHANGE BEING PROPOSED TO EXISTING FARM LICENCE

FOR ALL CHANGES

IF CHANGE TO PEN CONFIGURATION/LOCATION CONDITIONS

IF CHANGE TO MAXIMUM WEIGHT OF FISH CONDITION (INCREASE IN LIMIT OR CHANGE OF SPECIES)

IF CHANGE TO FALLOW PERIOD AND RE-STOCKING CONDITIONS TO HELP MANAGE INTERACTIONS BETWEEN SEA LICE AND WILD SALMONIDS (i.e., NON-STANDARD FALLOW PERIOD PROPOSAL)

IF CHANGE TO ANTI-SEA LICE MEDICINE, OR OTHER PERMITTED SUBSTANCES, CONDITIONS

IF CHANGE TO THE OPERATION OF THE FARM TO HOLD A DIFFERENT MAXIMUM NUMBER OF FISH.

SECTIONS OF THIS FORM TO BE COMPLETED

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2. Location details

2.1 What is the name and location of the proposed farm development?			
Farm name	Caolas Loch Portain	Postal address of the shore base for the farm	Loch Duart Ltd, The Old Ticket Office, Lochmaddy, North Uist, HS6 5AA
Name of coastal water (As on Ordnance Survey 1:25,000)	Loch Portain	Farm centre (8-figure National Grid Reference ¹)	NF 94829 69326

3. Details of the farm layout

3.1 What pen configuration will the farm have?		
Group 1	Number of pens in pen group 1	
	Circumference of pens in pen group 1 (in metres)	
	Length of pen sides (optional, for square pens, delete if not required)	
	Distance from the upper surface of the pens to the lowest part of the pens in pen group 1 (in metres)	
	Number of pens in row 1 of pen group 1	
	Number of pens in row 2 of pen group 1	
	Number of pens in row 3 of pen group 1	
Group 2 (Please only complete if more than one Group)	Number of pens in pen group 2, if applicable	
	Circumference of pens in pen group 2 (in metres)	
	Length of pen sides (optional, for square pens, delete if not required) (in metres)	
	Distance from the upper surface of the pens to the lowest part of the pens in pen group 2 (in metres)	
	Number of pens in row 1 of pen group 2	
	Number of pens in row 2 of pen group 2	
	Number of pens in row 3 of pen group 2	
Group 3 (Please complete if relevant)	Number of pens in pen group 3, if applicable	
	Circumference of pens in pen group 3 (in metres)	
	Length of pen sides (optional, for square pens, delete if not required) (in metres)	
	Distance from the upper surface of the pens to the lowest part of the pens in pen group 3 (in metres)	
	Number of pens in row 1 of pen group 3	
	Number of pens in row 2 of pen group 3	
	Number of pens in row 3 of pen group 3	

¹ i.e., An 8 figure National Grid reference has two letters followed by a pair of 4-digit number strings identifying a 10 m by 10 m location on an Ordnance Survey map.

3.2 Please insert (or attach) a drawing showing the proposed farm layout

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3.3 What will be the locations of the pen corner buoys bounding the area or areas within which the pen group(s) will be located?

		8 figure National grid Reference
Pen group 1	Location of corner buoy 1	
	Location of corner buoy 2	
	Location of corner buoy 3	
	Location of corner buoy 4	
Pen group 2, if applicable	Location of corner buoy 1	
	Location of corner buoy 2	
	Location of corner buoy 3	
	Location of corner buoy 4	
Pen group 3, if applicable	Location of corner buoy 1	
	Location of corner buoy 2	
	Location of corner buoy 3	
	Location of corner buoy 4	

4. Information for assessing discharges of organic solids and nitrogen compounds

4.1 What species of fish will you be growing? (Please enter common name and scientific name, e.g. Atlantic salmon (*Salmo salar*))

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4.2 What is the planned maximum weight of fish to be held on the farm at any time (in tonnes)?

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4.3 What is the maximum quantity of fish food you plan to use in a year (in tonnes)?

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4.4 What will be the average nitrogen content of the fish food (% composition by weight)?

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4.5 Will all fish faeces produced be discharged from the pens into the sea? (Please tick box relevant below)

Yes		No	
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4.5.1 If not all the fish faeces produced will be discharged from the pens, what proportion will be discharged?

Proportion that will be discharged (%)		Document reference for a separate document explaining what will happen to the proportion not discharged PLEASE NOTE, YOU MAY NEED A PERMIT FROM US FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE WASTE	
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4.6 Please reference supporting information relevant to discharges of organic solids and nitrogen compounds?

Reference to required model calibration & validation data (e.g., current meter data):	
Reference to information on deposition modelling of organic solids:	
Reference to information on nitrogen compound modelling, if required:	
Reference to baseline information identifying any relevant protected species and habitats within the modelled deposition footprint of the farm:	
Reference to any other uses of the coastal waters within the modelled deposition footprint of the farm (e.g., shellfish farming or fishing):	

5. Information relevant to assessing sea lice interactions with wild salmon

ONLY COMPLETE THIS SECTION IF FARMING ATLANTIC SALMON OR RAINBOW TROUT

PLEASE NOTE, ALL WEEK NUMBERS REFERRED TO IN THE SECTION ARE AS DEFINED IN ISO 8601

5.1 What will be the maximum number of fish held on the farm at any time?

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5.2 What upper limit will you keep the rolling average of adult female sea lice per fish below over any period of 4 weeks between week 12 and week 22?

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5.3 Will fallow periods be timed to help manage potential interactions between sea lice from the farm and wild Atlantic salmon? (Please tick the relevant box below)

Proposing fallow period timings to help manage interactions between sea lice and wild salmon

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Not proposing specific fallow period timings

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5.3.1 If proposing fallow period timings to help manage interactions between sea lice and wild salmon, please describe below.

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5.4 Between weeks 12 and 22, will the farm's pens be wholly or partially enclosed such that sea lice exchanges between the farm and the surrounding coastal waters will be minimal? (Please tick box relevant below)

Wholly or partially enclosed

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Not wholly or partially enclosed

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5.4.1 If the farm will be wholly or partially enclosed, please describe how below

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5.5 Please reference supporting information relevant to assessing interactions between sea lice and wild salmon

Reference to information on sea lice modelling, if applicable

Reference to information on surveys to collect data for calibrating and validating sea lice dispersion modelling, if applicable

6. Information relevant to assessing discharges of medicines and other chemicals

IN COMPLETING THIS SECTION, YOU MUST INCLUDE INFORMATION ON DISCHARGES FROM THE FISH PENS AND FROM WELLBOATS OPERATING AT THE FARM.

6.1 Which of the following anti-sea lice medicines (active ingredients) will be discharged and what quantities will be used?

	Enter "Yes or "No"		Discharge from pens and/or wellboats
Azamethiphos	YES	Maximum quantity of azamethiphos that will be used in any 24-hour period, if applicable (in grams)	900g
		Maximum quantity of azamethiphos that will be used in any 3-hour period, if applicable (in grams)	300g
Deltamethrin	YES	Maximum quantity that will be used in any 3-hour period, if applicable (in grams)	5.8 g (no change to existing consent)
Emamectin benzoate	YES	Maximum environmental quantity* that will not be exceeded, if applicable (in grams)	1338.86g (no change to existing consent)

* The maximum environmental quantity is the maximum residual quantity of emamectin benzoate in the environment at any one time which, if not exceeded, will meet the environmental quantity standard at the edge of the mixing zone. It must be derived using suitable modelling.

6.2 Will all anti-sea lice medicine used be discharged into the sea at the farm? (Please tick relevant box below)

Yes	☒	No	☐
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6.2.1 If not all the anti-sea lice medicine used will be discharged, what proportion will be discharged?

Proportion of azamethiphos used that will be discharged (%)		Document reference for a separate document explaining what will happen to the proportion not discharged	
Proportion of deltamethrin used that will be discharged (%)		Document reference for a separate document explaining what will happen to the proportion not discharged	
Proportion of emamectin benzoate used that will be discharged (%)		Document reference for a separate document explaining what will happen to the proportion not discharged	

6.2.2 If discharging azamethiphos or deltamethrin from fish pens, what is the minimum proportion of the full pen volume to which the treatment enclosure will be reduced? (This should normally be 50% to 70%)

	Minimum proportion of the full pen volume to which the treatment enclosure will be reduced (%)
Azamethiphos	70
Deltamethrin	70

6.3 Please reference supporting information relevant to assessing discharges of anti-sea lice medicines

Reference to required model calibration & validation data (e.g., current meter data)	Appendix B. CLP-2023v1_Hydrographic_Report
Reference to information on azamethiphos discharge modelling, if applicable	Appendix C. 003124_001-LDL-Caolas_Phase_2_Report
Reference to information on deltamethrin discharge modelling, if applicable	
Reference to information on emamectin benzoate discharge modelling, if applicable	
Reference to baseline information identifying any relevant protected species and habitats (including any priority marine features) within the modelled deposition footprint of the farm	Appendix A. Caolas Loch Portain video report 2022 rev0
Reference to any other uses of the coastal waters around the farm (e.g., shellfish farming or fishing)	

6.4 Will any medicines/chemicals be discharged other than those referred to in section 6.1 and covered by Annex 1? (Please tick relevant box below)

No	☒	Yes	☐
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YOU MUST ANSWER "YES" IF YOU INTEND TO DISCHARGE ANY MEDICINE/CHEMICAL REFERRED TO IN ANNEX 1 BUT NOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ASSOCIATED LIMIT FOR THAT MEDICINE/CHEMICAL AS ALSO DESCRIBED IN ANNEX 1.

IF YOUR ANSWER IN SECTION 6.4 WAS "YES", IF YOU HAVE NOT DONE SO ALREADY, YOU ARE STRONGLY ADVISED TO SPEAK TO US AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO WE CAN ADVISE YOU ON THE DETAIL OF THE SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION YOU WILL NEED TO PROVIDE.

6.5 If other medicines/chemicals will be discharged, please provide details below

Product trade name	
Chemicals in product and their proportions	
Quantity of each product that will be discharged per use	
Number of uses of the product expected per year	
Purpose for which product will be used	

6.6 Please reference supporting information relevant to assessing discharges of the medicines/chemicals referenced in section 6.5.

Reference to information on the fate and behaviour in coastal waters of the medicines/chemicals, if applicable (partitioning - water vs sediment; persistence; bioaccumulation risk)	
Reference to ecotoxicity information about the medicines/chemicals including a calculated predicted no effects concentration, if applicable	
Reference to information on dispersion modelling of discharges of the medicines/chemicals, if applicable	
Reference to required model calibration & validation data (e.g., current meter data), if applicable	

Annex 1: Permitted substances list

Category	Limits
Anaesthetics Antifoulants	Prior to discharge, anaesthetics must be diluted to an appropriate working strength. Where the quantity of dilute anaesthetics is greater than 150 litres, it must be discharged over a minimum period of 15 minutes.
Antifoulants	Antifoulants must only be used for the purposes of protecting fish farm infrastructure and equipment from excessive growth of marine flora and fauna. Discharge of antifoulants to the water environment must only be because of leaching or erosion from previously treated surfaces. Removal of antifoulants must not be carried out at the authorised place. Application of antifoulants must not be carried out at the authorised place.
Anti-microbials	Anti-microbials must only be discharged to the water environment following treatment of fish with an in-feed formulation of the medicine.
Anti-parasitics	Must only contain hydrogen peroxide as the active ingredient. Must only be discharged following treatment of fish within an enclosure fully separated from the water environment or following treatment of fish within a vessel. When carrying out treatments in a pen, the enclosure in which fish are treated must be reduced by a minimum of 70 % of the full pen volume.
Detergents	Discharge of detergents to the water environment must only be as a result of wash off from treated surfaces.
Disinfectants	Discharge of disinfectants to the water environment must only be as a result of wash off from treated surfaces.
Lubricants of fish contact surfaces	Must only contain tetrasodium EDTA as the active ingredient. Prior to discharge, products containing tetrasodium EDTA must be diluted to 0.2 mg/l.