
BATH TREATMENTS MODELLING REPORT

Proposed Little Cumbrae Finfish Pen Site, Clyde Estuary

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List of Abbreviations

ADCP	Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler
EQS	Environmental Quality Standards
LST	Lowest Spring Tide
mCD	Metres below Chart Datum
SEPA	Scottish Environment Protection Agency

1. Summary

This report has been prepared in order to meet the specific requirements of the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) for the assessment of applications for consent to use chemical bath treatments against sea lice for salmonids held in marine pens.

Bath Auto was used to determine the concentration of the chemicals Azamethiphos (Salmosan), Cypermethrin (Excis) and Deltamethrin (Alphamax) that could be used at the proposed Little Cumbrae pen site in compliance with Environmental Quality Standards (EQS).

The mid-range speeds observed at the site during a 90 day ADCP deployment were used in the modelling.

The maximum permissible quantity of Azamethiphos that can be used in a 3 hour period was predicted to be 382.4 g, at a treatment regime of 1.0 pen per 3 hour treatment and net depth of 3.5 m. The long term model did not iterate to a compliant pass.

The maximum quantity of Cypermethrin permissible in a 3 hour period was predicted to be 69.2 g at a treatment regime of 5.0 pens per 3 hour treatment for a net depth of 2.44 m.

The maximum quantity of Deltamethrin permissible in a 3 hour period was predicted to be 26.0 g at a treatment regime of 5.0 pens per 3 hour treatment for a net depth of 2.28 m.

2. Introduction

This report has been prepared in order to meet the specific requirements of SEPA for the assessment of applications for consent to use bath treatments against sea lice in marine salmonid farms. The bath treatments must comply with EQS that are in place to protect the marine environment.

Bath treatments, where the fish are physically immersed in a diluted solution of the particular chemical, require dispersion modelling (Bath Auto) to predict concentrations of the chemical in the water column at specified periods after the treatment has been completed.

The methods described in this report closely adhere to those set out in Annex G (October 2008) of the SEPA Fish Farming Manual, and the results are reported to satisfy consent application requirements.

3. Little Cumbrae site information

Site details

Site name:	Little Cumbrae
Location:	Clyde Estuary
Pen group distance to head:	55.2 km (measured using GIS)
Pen group distance to shore:	0.150 km (pen edge to 0 mCD at closest point, from AutoDEPOMOD plot of bathymetry)
Width of strait:	3.4 km (measured using GIS)

Average water depth for 1km² area: 32.8 mCD (obtained from AutoDEPOMOD gridgen file)

Pen group details

Group centre position: 214484.1 E, 652622.4 N
 Number of pens: 10
 Pen group configuration: 2 x 5
 Pen dimensions: 120 m circumference circles
 Net depth: 14.0 m
 Residual current direction: 79.0° Grid North
 Peak Stocking Density: 14.0 kg/m³

4. Hydrographic data

The hydrographic data for the sub-surface cell are summarised below. The data were analysed using SEPA’s HGdata_analysis_v7.xls (version 7.11) tool.

Current meter position: 214627.3 E, 652653.2 N
 (146.4 m from group centre)
 Minimum depth recorded by ADCP + 0.5 m for frame: 32.04 m
 Sub surface cell: 26.92 m (5.12 m below LST)

Table 1. Current speeds

Duration of record (GMT)	Mean Speed in m/s	Residual parallel (U) in m/s	Residual normal (V) in m/s	Tidal amplitude parallel (U) in m/s	Tidal amplitude normal (V) in m/s
12/10/17 21:19 to 27/10/17 21:19	0.097	0.033	0.015	0.144	0.060

5. Bath treatments

SHORT TERM MODEL

For the purposes of the dispersion modelling, the receiving water was classified as a strait.

Using the results from the data analysis of the sub-surface current meter cell, the short term bath treatment model was run and the EQS compliance for the chemical treatments, Azamethiphos, Cypermethrin and Deltamethrin, were predicted.

Table 2. Results of Short Term Model

	Permissible quantity (g)	Pen treatment depth* (m)	% Net depth	No. of pens treatable
Azamethiphos in 3 hrs:	382.40	3.50	25.0	1

Cypermethrin in 3 hrs:	69.22	2.44	17.4	5
Deltamethrin in 3 hrs:	25.96	2.28	16.3	5

* Treatment depth can be varied. The depths above show the number of pens treatable at an example net depth.

LONG TERM MODEL

For the purposes of the long term (72 hour) dispersion model for Azamethiphos, the receiving water was classified as a strait.

Table 3. Results of Long Term Model

	Permissible quantity (g)	Pen treatment depth (m)	% Net depth	No. of pens treatable
Azamethiphos in 24 hrs:	0	n/a	n/a	0

The results of the long term model override those of the short term and therefore Azamethiphos cannot be used at the site.

The Marine Sum and Bath Auto spreadsheets are provided along with this document and are also shown in appendices 1 and 2.

APPENDIX 1

Little_Cumbrae_2018v1-M_marine_sum_v3.xls (Version 3.13) Treatment Worksheet

Fish farm site at : Little Cumbrae, Clyde Estuary		Receiving water : 0	
Consent No. : 0		Team area : 0	

Current data summary							major amp./ minor amp.	Residual speed	Residual direction	Vector av. residual
LEVEL	Mean	%<=0.09 m/s	Major axis							
Sub-surface	0.097	57%	055				2.40	0.036	079	0.025 m/s at 75 degrees
Cage-bottom	0.080	69%	050				2.52	0.030	069	
Near-bed	0.060	81%	070				2.19	0.010	083	

Bath Treatments			
	Azimethiphos	Cypermethrin	Deltamethrin
Recommended 3h consent mass:	382.40 g	69.22 g	25.96 g
Recommended 24h consent mass:	0.0 g		
Equivalent treatable volume:	3824.0 m3	13844.0 m3	12980.0 m3
	0.0 m3		

In-feed Treatments			
Peak Biomass:	2243.8 t	AZE:	Far-field Near-field
			TFBZ EMBZ TAQ EMBZ MTQ
Recommended consent mass:			785.3 g
Equivalent treatable biomass:	NO-DATA		2243.8 t
Area of impact at far-field EQS:			
Mass balance:			
Affected area:	0.0 km2	0.0 km2	
Receiving area:	10.0 km2	10.0 km2	
Mean concentration within near-field AZE:			

Modelled by : Garret Macfarlane	date : 16/12/2018	Not Yet Approved by SEPA
SEPA (MS:H-M) Approved by : 	date : 	

APPENDIX 2

Little_Cumbrae_2018v1-M_BathAuto_v5.xls (Version 5.1)

Site Data	
Site name	Little Cumbrae
Company	Dawnfresh Farming
Modelled By	Garret Macfarlane
Site NGR	214484 1E, 652622 4N
Current meter NGR	214627 3E, 652653 2N

Loch Data	
Loch/Strait/Open water	Strait
Loch area (km ²)	(only required for Loch)
Loch length (km)	(only required for Loch)
Distance to head (km)	65.20
Distance to shore (km)	0.14
Width of Strait (km)	3.40
Average water depth (m)	32.80
Flushing time (days)	

Cage Data	
# of cages	10
Cage shape	Round
Diameter/Width (m)	38.2
Working depth (m)	14
Stocking density (kg/m ³)	14

Treatment	
No. of cages possible to treat in 3 hours	0.00
Initial Treatment Depth (m)	3.5
Treatment Depth Reduction Increment (m)	0.1

Hydrographic data analysis	
Mean current speed (m/s)	0.097
Residual Parallel Component U (m/s)	0.033
Residual Normal Component V (m/s)	0.015
Tidal Amplitude Parallel Component U (m/s)	0.144
Tidal Amplitude Normal Component V (m/s)	0.060

Excursion	
8.55km	
3.89km	
2.06km	
0.86km	

Cage details	
Single cage area (m ²)	1146.08
Total cage area (m ²)	11460.84
Treatment depth (m)	0.10
Single cage volume (m ³)	27506.03
Total cage volume (m ³)	1146.08

Run Bath Auto

Do 3 things before pressing this button:

1: Read the Brief User Guide

2: Read all the cell notes on this sheet

3: Check all input data are correct

Transfer values to be reported to the blue cells

paste these values to the Marine_sum workbook			
3 hour proposed treatment value [g]	382.4g	69.2g	26.0g
24 hour proposed treatment value [g]	0.0g		
No. of cages treatable in 3 hours	1.0	5.0	5.0
No. of cages treatable in 24 hours	0.0		

debug mode ON OFF

Site Input Data	
AZA	CYP
DEL	Run Log
PATCH	TS plot
input.dat-LOCH	input.dat-STRAIT
input.dat-OPEN	