1977 No. 110

FISHERIES

Foyle Area (Angling) Regulations 1977

Made . . . . . 23*rd March* 1977

Coming into operation . . . 23*rd May* 1977

The Foyle Fisheries Commission (hereinafter referred to as "the Commission") in exercise of its powers under section 13 of the Foyle Fisheries Act 1952(a) and section 13 of the Foyle Fisheries Act (Northern Ireland) 1952(b) with the approval of the Minister for Fisheries in the Republic of Ireland and of the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Foyle Area (Angling) Regulations 1977 and shall come into operation on 23rd May 1977.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations:

"bait fishing" means angling with rod and line and one single hook baited with earthworms;

"fish" means salmon, trout or rainbow trout;

"fly fishing" means angling with rod and line (other than a threadline) and one or more artificial fly hooks, but angling with a hook, cast or lure to which a weight has been added shall not be construed as fly fishing;

"gape" in relation to a fishing hook means the distance when the hook is normally aligned between the point of the hook and the shank of the hook;

"length" in relation to a fish means the measurement from the tip of the snout to the fork or cleft of the tail;

"night fishing" means angling between one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise;

"spinning" or "threadlining" means angling with rod, fixed spool reel, threadline and single lure constructed to have a spinning or other motion when worked in water.

Methods of angling

3. The only methods of angling which shall be permitted in waters described in the first column of Schedule 1 shall be those methods specified in the second column of that Schedule and the exercise of those methods shall be subject to any restrictions, as to the number or minimum length of fish which may be retained on any one day, which are specified in the third column of that Schedule.

(a) No. 5 of 1952 (Republic of Ireland)
(b) 1952 c. 5 (N.I.)

Prohibition

4.—(1) Angling by any method is prohibited in the areas described in Schedule 2.

(2) Angling with any type of float or similar device designed to suspend a bait or lure in water is prohibited in the waters described in Schedule 1.

(3) No person shall in any part of the Foyle Area snatch or attempt to snatch or foul hook salmon with any kind of hook or combination of hooks covered in part or in whole with any matter or thing or uncovered and whether used with a rod and line or otherwise.

(4) No boats shall be permitted on the following waters for the purpose of angling: Loughs Ash, Lee and Moor Lough in County Tyrone and Binevenagh Dam in County Londonderry.

Revocation

5. The Foyle Area (Rivers Faughan and Roe Angling) Regulations 1971(**c**) and the Foyle Area (Angling) Regulations 1972(**d**) are hereby revoked.

Given under the Common Seal of the Foyle Fisheries Commission on the 23rd March 1977.

(L.S.) *J. Power*
Member of the Commission nominated by the Minister

The Minister for Fisheries hereby approves of the foregoing regulations

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Minister for Fisheries on the 15th April 1977

(L.S.) *Patrick S. Donegan*

K. Vickers
Member of the Commission nominated by the Department

The Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland hereby approves of the foregoing regulations

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture on the 22nd April 1977

(L.S.) *E. G. Sherrard*
Assistant Secretary
Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland

(**c**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1971 No. 267 (p. 1289)
(**d**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1972 No. 167 (p. 963)

SCHEDULE 1

Description of waters	*Methods of angling permitted*	*Restrictions on number and minimum length of fish which may be retained on any one day*
1. Lough Ash, Lough Braden, Lough Lee and Moor Lough, all in Co. Tyrone.	Fly fishing, spinning or threadlining and bait fishing.	6 fish with a minimum length of 9 inches.
2. Binevenagh Dam, Co. Londonderry.	Fly fishing.	4 fish with a minimum length of 10 inches.
3. River Mourne, Co. Tyrone. (Except those waters mentioned in Schedule II where angling is prohibited)		
(a) Liskey stretch being the east bank of the River Mourne extending from the boundary between the townlands of Knockroe and Liskey to the road bridge in the townland of Liskey.	Fly fishing.	None.
(b) Victoria Bridge stretch being the west bank of the River Mourne from the road bridge at Victoria Bridge to the railway bridge known as Camus Railway Bridge in the townland of Seein.	Fly fishing, spinning or threadlining and bait fishing.	None.
(c) Sion Mills stretch, being the east bank of the River Mourne extending from the footbridge at the boundary between the townland of Carrigullin and Bearney Glebe to the boundary between the townlands of Carrigullin and Stragullin and the west bank extending from the weir above Sion Mills in the townland of Liggartown to the boundary between the townlands of Ballyfatten and Strabane Union.	Fly fishing, spinning or threadlining and bait fishing.	None.

Description of waters	*Methods of angling permitted*	*Restrictions on number and minimum length of fish which may be retained on any one day*
4. River Roe and tributaries and River Faughan and tributaries (except those areas mentioned in Schedule II where angling is prohibited).	Fly fishing where the breaking strain of the cast shall not exceed 8 lb for night fishing and 15 lb for fishing at other times and where no more than two single dressed fly hooks of normal weight spaced at least two feet apart are used. Bait fishing where the gape of the hook does not exceed 9 millimetres, the breaking strain of the line does not exceed 10 lb and the maximum length of the rod does not exceed 9 feet, provided that this method is not used for night fishing. Spinning or thread-lining where the gape of the hook does not exceed 7 millimetres, the breaking strain of the line does not exceed 10 lb and the maximum length of the rod does not exceed 9 feet, provided that this method is not used for night fishing.	Fish with a minimum length of 10 inches.

SCHEDULE 2

Fishery	*Area where angling is prohibited*
River Roe.	(a) From and within 50 yards downstream of the weir known as O'Cahan's Rock in the townland of Deerpark, Co. Londonderry. (b) From and within 50 yards downstream of the weir known as Given's Weir in the townland of Terrydremond, Co. Londonderry.
River Faughan.	(a) From and within 100 yards downstream of the weir known as Ballyarton Weir in the townland of Lettermuck, Co. Londonderry. (b) From and within 100 yards downstream of the weir known as Bleachgreen Weir in the townland of Ardmore, Co. Londonderry, measured from an imaginary straight line drawn at right angles to the course of the river through the right bank extremity of the weir. (c) Downstream of the Londonderry District Council's barrage in the townland of Campsie, Co. Londonderry, for 60 yards on the west bank and for 135 yards on the east bank of the river.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations replace the Foyle Area (Rivers Faughan and Roe Angling) Regulations 1971 and the Foyle Area (Angling) Regulations 1972. They specify the methods of angling which are permitted in certain waters and provide for a minimum length and number of fish which may be retained on any one day. They also specify certain stretches of river where angling is prohibited and restrict the use of boats for angling on certain waters.

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Roads (Temporary Speed Limit) Order (Northern Ireland) 1977

This Order, being of a temporary character, is not printed at length in this volume.