salmon or sea trout taken in such fishing shall be returned to the sea immediately after each haul of the net is completed.

Dated this third day of January, 1955.

James Stuart,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Confirmed this eighth day of February, 1955.

G. Lloyd-George,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Byelaw but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Byelaw permits the use of a seine net, or a flounder net with a bag, for the capture of white fish in a certain area of the Firth of Forth on certain conditions. The permission applies to part of the area during part of the year only. A certain minimum size of mesh is prescribed for use in certain waters in the area by the Byelaw; and in the waters for which no particular size of mesh is prescribed by the Byelaw the standard laid down by the Order for the time being in force under section 3 of the Sea-Fishing Industry Act, 1933, as amended by section 38 of the Sea Fish Industry Act, 1938, must be observed.

1955 No. 234 (S. 21)

The Sea Fisheries (Scotland) Byelaw (No. 51), 1955

Made - - - -	*3rd January,* 1955
Coming into Operation	*16th February,* 1955

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 4 of the Sea Fisheries (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1885(a) and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf I hereby make the following Byelaw:—

1.—(1) This Byelaw may be cited as the Sea Fisheries (Scotland) Byelaw (No. 51), 1955.

(2) This Byelaw shall come into force on 16th February, 1955, and shall remain in force for a period of five years unless it is sooner revoked or altered.

2. Notwithstanding Byelaw No. 17 made by the Fishery Board for Scotland on 21st October, 1898, and confirmed by the Secretary for Scotland on 7th December, 1898(b), it shall be lawful to use a seine net, or a flounder net with a bag, in the capture of white fish in the waters lying within the exclusive fishery limits between a line drawn due east (true) from Red Head

(a) 48 & 49 Vict. c. 70. (b) S.R. & O. 1898/1061 (Rev. VII, p. 1032: 1898, p. 371).

in Angus and a line drawn due east (true) from Babbet Ness in Fife, except to the westward of a line joining Buddon Ness Front (Low) Leading Light and Kinkell Ness:

Provided that—

(1) no otter boards, whether of wood or canvas or other material, shall be used and no boat carrying otter boards shall use a seine net or flounder net within the permitted area;

(2) the boat from which any such net is used shall not exceed 50 feet overall, and shall not be propelled otherwise than by sails, or oars, or by a motor engine;

(3) in the working of the net only one boat shall be employed;

(4) the net shall not be used between sunset and sunrise;

(5) the net shall be hauled in as soon as its ends have been brought together and shall not be otherwise dragged or trailed along the bottom of the sea;

(6) the size of each mesh of the wings of the net employed shall be such that a square gauge of 2¾ inches measured along each side of the square will pass easily when the net is wet and the size of each mesh of any bag attached to the net shall be such that a square gauge of 2 inches measured along each side of the square will so pass;

(7) the bag of the net shall not be covered with canvas or any other material and no artifice shall be used for the purpose of evading the restrictions on the mesh of nets imposed by this Byelaw;

(8) the net shall not be used within one-half mile of the mouth of any river, or within one-half mile of any salmon stake, fly or bag net; and

(9) any sea-fish of any description which are of less than the minimum size prescribed in relation to sea-fish of that description by any Order in force under section 4 of the Sea-Fishing Industry Act, 1933, as amended by section 38 of the Sea Fish Industry Act, 1938, and any salmon or sea trout taken in such fishing shall be returned to the sea immediately after each haul of the net is completed.

Dated this third day of January, 1955.

James Stuart,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Confirmed this eighth day of February, 1955.

G. Lloyd-George,
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Byelaw, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Byelaw permits, on certain conditions, the use of a seine net or a flounder net with a bag for the capture of white fish in certain waters off the East Coast between Red Head, Angus, and Babbet Ness, Fife.