



Eastern Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority

Shrimp Permit Byelaw 2018

Flexible Permit Conditions – Category One Permit

These flexible permit conditions relate to Category One shrimp permits issued under the Shrimp Permit Byelaw 2018 and should be read in conjunction with that byelaw.

Permit conditions

Definitions

1. For the purpose of these permit conditions –
 - a. “shrimp fishing trip” means the time period that begins when a fishing vessel departs from a dock, berth, beach, seawall, ramp, or port to carry out shrimp fishing operations and that terminates with a return to a dock, berth, beach, seawall, ramp, or port;
 - b. “try net” means trawls deployed by hand from a vessel used to determine the presence or absence of shrimps.

Try-nets

2. No vessel shall carry or deploy more than one ‘try net’.
3. ‘Try-nets’ must;
 - a) be deployed and hauled by hand;
 - b) have a beam width of no more than 500 millimetres;
 - c) be no more than 20 kilograms in weight;
 - d) not have tickler chains or any other attachment designed or with the effect of penetrating the seabed except guides, skids or shoe.

Prohibited attachments

4. A vessel must not carry or deploy a net, the mesh of which measures between 16 and 31 millimetres which has the following attachments:
 - a. tickler chains;
 - b. any item designed or with the effect of penetrating the seabed except guides, skids or shoes.

Guides, skids and shoes

5. A vessel must not carry or deploy a net, the mesh of which measures between 16 and 31 millimetres which uses guides, skids or shoes unless the surface of such which comes into contact with the seabed is flat across its entire length.

Requirement to have a separator trawl or sorting grid

6. A vessel must not carry or deploy a net, the mesh of which measures between 16 and 31 millimetres unless:
 - a) It is a try net; or
 - b) Netting, the mesh of which measures at least twice that of the codend and no more than 70 millimetres, is fitted across the entire cross-section of the net in such a way that;
 - i. sea fish cannot reach the codend without first passing through the netting; and
 - ii. there is a hole in the net through which all sea fish that do not pass through the netting are able to escape; or
 - c) A rigid grid, the spacing between the bars of which is no more than 20 millimetres, is fitted across the entire cross-section of the net in such a way that;
 - i. sea fish cannot reach the codend without first passing through the grid; and
 - ii. there is a hole in the net through which all sea fish that do not pass through the grid are able to escape

Requirement to complete returns

7. A person must not fish for shrimps under the authority of this permit if return forms, required under paragraph 21 of the Shrimp Permit Byelaw 2018 for this permit, are in more than one month of arrears.

Fishing effort restrictions

8. The maximum number of fishing trips permitted under the authority of this permit is six trips per fortnight unless Eastern IFCA has issued notification that the number of permitted trips has increased or decreased.
9. Eastern IFCA will provide notification referred to in permit conditions 7:
 - a. in writing to permit holders and named representatives of permits;
 - b. with a minimum of two weeks' notice of the change in permitted trips taking effect.
10. Changes to the maximum number of permitted trips will have effect for specified periods and for no longer than the August following such notification.

Registration of fishing gear

11. A person must not fish for shrimps under the authority of this permit using fishing gear unless:
 - a. a 'certificate of gear approval' has been issued by Eastern IFCA for that shrimp fishing gear; and
 - b. a tag provided by Eastern IFCA is affixed to the gear with a reference number which is associated with the 'certificate of approval'.
12. For the purpose of this permit condition, a 'certificate of gear approval';
 - a. will only be issued if the shrimp fishing gear has been inspected by an Eastern IFCA Officer and meets the requirements of the conditions of this permit;
 - b. will be invalid if the shrimp fishing gear is modified in any way after the 'certificate of gear approval' has been issued;
 - c. will be valid for the period the associated permit is valid.

Commencement date: xx/xx/xxxx

Latest review date: xx/xx/xxxx

Expiry date: n/a

I hereby certify that the above permit conditions were made by Eastern Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority at their meeting on the 30th January 2019.

The above eligibility criteria come into effect on xx xx xxxx

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Gregory". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

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