

2020 REGULATIONS ON BASS FISHING FOR RECREATIONAL FISHERS



**1st January to 29th February and 1st December to 31st December
2020: catch-and-release only.**

**1st March to 30th November 2020: not more than two bass per
person per day may be retained.**

**Any additional bass caught must be returned immediately to the
sea. This applies if you are fishing from a vessel or from the shore.**

The European Commission has determined that bass stocks remain under pressure despite the measures taken in previous years. It has placed further restrictions on the commercial and recreational fishing sectors in order to address this.

Eastern IFCA is working with DEFRA and the Marine Management Organisation to raise awareness of these regulations. There is now a transition period until the end of 2020 while the UK and EU negotiate additional arrangements. The current rules on bass fishing for the UK and the EU will continue to apply during the transition period.

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