



The 2023 intertidal mussel surveys concluded it would be possible to open a mussel re-laying fishery on certain beds.

WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK

To give your feedback on the proposed measures please complete the questionnaire.

Consultation closes: **Midday 11 March 2024**

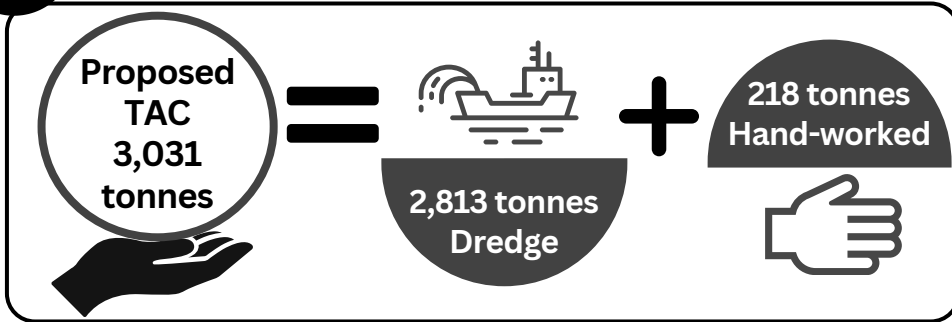


1 Restrictions on removing seed mussels

Should seed mussels be allowed to be re-laid outside of the Wash and North Norfolk Coast?



2 Proposed Total Allowable Catch and Maximum Harvestable Per Open Bed



Tofts	615
East Gat	312
Main End	62
Holbeach	595
Herring Hill	418
Trial Bank	572
Scotsman's Sled	467
Back of the Wall	1,078
Skate Run	195
Blackshore	679

Once the TAC for a bed is exhausted - Eastern IFCA will give 12 hours' notice of bed closure

3 Other Proposed Management Measures

- Max 8 Tonne per day
- Maximum vessel length 14m
- Inspections:
 - Vessel Hold
 - Mussel Dredge
- Transshipping is prohibited
- Maximum:
 - 2 dredges
 - Inside opening of 1m
- To open mid to late March
 - Open at all times until TAC is exhausted

4 Notifications

- You must:**
- Provide a valid mobile phone number
 - Notify of intent to fish with 12 hours' notice
 - Provide catch return information no later than 2 hours after high water



Notice of intent

- Vessel name & PLN
- Mussel bed to fish
- Method of fishing

Catch return

- Vessel name & PLN
- Bed fished
- Weight of mussel removed

This is a summary of the key measures. Please refer to the Exemption Conditions in full for more information.