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FISHERIES, WALES

WATER RESOURCES ACT 1991

CONFIRMATION OF BYELAWS

Confirmation of the Salmon and Sea Trout (Prohibition of Net Fishing) (River Dee) (Wales) Byelaws 2025

The Natural Resources Body for Wales (“NRW”) has applied to the Welsh Ministers for confirmation of the Salmon and Sea Trout (Prohibition of Net Fishing) (River Dee) (Wales) Byelaws 2025 made by NRW on 5 December 2024.

In exercise of the powers conferred by paragraphs 2 and 3(1) of Schedule 26 of to the Water Resources Act 1991 and now vested in them, the Welsh Ministers have decided to confirm the Salmon and Sea Trout (Prohibition of Net Fishing) (River Dee) (Wales) Byelaws 2025, subject to the modifications made by this Instrument.

In accordance with paragraph 2(1) of Schedule 26 to the Water Resources Act 1991, NRW has consented to the modifications.

Confirmation and coming into force

1. The Welsh Ministers confirm the Salmon and Sea Trout (Prohibition of Net Fishing) (River Dee) (Wales) Byelaws 2025 (“the Byelaws”), subject to the modifications in paragraphs 3 to 5 of this Instrument.

2. The Byelaws come into force on 1 September 2025.

Modifications

3. The Byelaws are modified in accordance with paragraphs 4 and 5.

4. For byelaw 4 substitute—

“Byelaw 4 – Prohibition of net fishing for salmon or sea trout on the River Dee

In the 1995 Salmon and Sea Trout Netting Byelaws, omit byelaw 5(b)(i).”

- 5.—(1) The Schedule is modified as follows.
- (2) In paragraph 1, in the Welsh language text—
- (a) in sub-paragraph (a)—
 - (i) for “afonydd Dyfrdwy a Chlwyd” substitute “Rivers Dee and Clwyd”;
 - (ii) for “afon Clwyd” substitute “River Clwyd”;
 - (b) in sub-paragraph (b), for “yn afon Dyfrdwy” substitute “the River Dee,”;
 - (c) for sub-paragraph (c) substitute—
 - “(c) Yn lle paragraff (d)(iv)(e) o Is-ddeddf 5, rhodder
“(e) In the Rivers Teifi and Towy, no draft net shall be shot or paid out from any point within 91 metres from the point at which any draft net is being or had been drawn in and landed until after the expiration of 15 minutes from the time when such last mentioned net has been fully drawn in and landed.””.
- (3) In paragraph 1(b), in the English language text, for “in the River Dee” substitute “the River Dee,”.
- (4) In paragraph 2, in the Welsh language text, for “afon Dyfrdwy,” substitute “River Dee,”.

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