

C.O.	<b>FISHERIES (COMMERCIAL FISHING) REGULATIONS</b>
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58/1977	<i>under s. 58</i>
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Citation	1. These Regulations may be cited as the Fisheries (Commercial Fishing) Regulations.
Interpretation	2. In these Regulations unless the context otherwise requires— “area” means any expanse, or any part of the course of any waters, as the case may be, which is specified and delineated for the purposes of these Regulations in accordance with directions in that behalf contained in the Tenth Schedule; “area catch rate” means the area catch rates as worked out in Part I of the Fourth Schedule; “bottom trawl net” means any trawl net which, when in operation, has any part of it touching the ground;

- "horse power" means the maximum horse power of any engine as defined by the manufacturer and expressed as brake horse-power, hereinafter referred to as b.h.p.;
- "chambo" means any fish of the following species—*Tilapia squamipinnis*, *Tilapia saka*, *Tilapia lidole* and *Tilapia karungae*.
- "chirimila net" means a partially encircling fishing net basically and traditionally used in Lake Malawi to catch species of *Haplochromis*;
- "cod end" means the bag of a trawl or seine net into which fish is thrown and is held whilst the net is in motion;
- "commercial fishing licence fee" bears the meaning ascribed to that term by regulation 9;
- "deep waters" means all waters which are deeper than 46.2 metres (25 fathoms);
- "Domira Area" means the area prescribed in Part II of the Tenth Schedule;
- "footrope" means any rope or line which, when a fishing net is in use or lies normally in the water, is attached to the lower part of that net and, in the case of a moving net, the leading edge of that lower part;
- "gill net" means any static or drifting net which is used to catch fish by encmeshing or entangling them;
- "headrope" means any rope or line which, when a fishing net is in use or lies normally in the water, is attached to the upper part of that net and, in the case of a moving net, the leading edge of that upper part;
- "headrope length" means the length of the upper part of any fishing net as mounted or attached to the headropes;
- "length of trawl net" shall be the total length of netting behind the centre of the headrope when stretched in the direction the netting is made;
- "Lower Shire Area" that part of the Shire River below Kapachira Falls to the Mozambique border and its associated waters;
- "midwater trawl net" means a trawl net which when in use does not touch the ground;
- "net mesh size" means the size of mesh which, when lightly stretched in the direction in which the netting is made, allows a tapered gauge not exceeding 1.4 mm (1/16") in thickness and of a breadth equal to the specified size to pass easily through when the net is wet;
- "net mouth" means the entrance or opening of any trawl net;
- "net mouth size" means the total length of footrope, headrope and any mounting rope fastened between them at the edges of a net mouth;

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"ring net" means any seine net which is not operated from the shore;

"seine net" means any net used to catch fish by surrounding them;

"shore seine net" means any seine net partly or wholly operated from the shore;

"South East Arm" means the area prescribed in Part II of the Tenth Schedule;

"South West Arm" means the area prescribed in Part II of the Tenth Schedule;

"trawl net" means any bag-shaped net which in the course of operation is towed or pulled through the water by mechanical means, whether on the bottom or not, for the purpose of catching fish;

"unit catch rate" means the relative fish catching ability of a fishing unit compared with that of any other fishing unit;

G.N. 76/1976 "Upper Shire River" means that part of the Shire River between Lake Malaŵi and Lake Malombe.

Licensing of fishing business, commercial fishing licences

3. No person shall whether by himself or by his agent or servant operate or cause to be operated any ring, trawl, or chirimila net unless he has first registered his fishing business with the Principal Licensing Officer and has obtained a commercial fishing licence in the form set out in the Second Schedule:

Provided that no commercial fishing licences for a chirimila net shall be necessary if the applicant first applies to and is registered by the Principal Licensing Officer in compliance with the First Schedule, Part I of the Second Schedule and Part III of the Fifth Schedule.

Form of registration and application for a licence

4.—(1) An application for either registration for a fishing business or for a commercial fishing licence shall be in the form specified in the First Schedule.

(2) The types and sizes for ring, trawl or chirimila net which may be used and the conditions, areas and times of their operation and the fees payable for registration and which shall be renewable on the 1st of April, each year, shall be those prescribed in Parts I, II and III of the Fifth Schedule to these Regulations.

Renewal of registration and licence

5.—(1) Every registration of a fishing business shall be valid for a period of one year in the first instance and may thereafter be renewed for a period not exceeding five years, after which time a new application for re-registration shall be made to the Principal Licensing Officer.

(2) The renewal of registration of a fishing business shall be as specified in the Part I of the First Schedule and that of a

commercial fishing licence shall be in the form specified in Part III of the Second Schedule.

(3) Before recommending to the Minister the granting or refusal to grant a licence, the Principal Licensing Officer may require the applicant to furnish any further information as he may consider necessary.

(4) The Minister may, on recommendation by the Principal Licensing Officer at any time attach to any licence such special conditions as may be considered necessary.

6. —(1) It shall be a general condition of every commercial fishing licence that—

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(a) unless weather conditions render compliance impossible, fish being caught under the licence shall be caught and landed at such place or places as are specified in the licence or in any special conditions attached thereto;

Provided always that the burden of proving the weather conditions rendering the non-compliance shall always be with the licensee;

(b) the licensee shall, within seven days of the end of each month, render to the Chief Fisheries Officer a complete return in the form prescribed in the Twelfth Schedule, of fish caught under the licence, the gear used, the area in and the depth fished and any other information the Chief Fisheries Officer may consider relevant;

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(c) the licensee shall keep such records as will, in the opinion of the Chief Fisheries Officer, enable the licensee to submit accurate returns and the licensee shall allow any Fisheries Officer to have access to such records at any reasonable time;

(d) the licensee shall permit the Chief Fisheries Officer or any member of the Fisheries Department authorized by him, to take samples of fish from such licensee's catch for the purpose of carrying out scientific tests and experiments;

(e) the licensee shall not operate a trawl net between 1700 and 0700 hours without the prior written consent of the Principal Licensing Officer;

(f) the licensee shall, on the demand of any person duly authorized in that behalf by the Minister, produce any document relevant to owning and operating his fishing business;

(g) the licensee shall not operate a trawl or ring net in waters within 1.85 kilometres (one nautical mile) off the shore of Lake Malaŵi;

(h) the licensee shall not operate a trawl or ring net in waters less than 18.3 metres (10 fathoms) deep in Lake Malaŵi south of latitude 13° 42' south.

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(2) For the purpose of this regulation the cod end length shall not be less than one-fourth and not greater than one-half of the stretch length of the trawl net.

Revocation  
of licence

7. The Principal Licensing Officer may at any time recommend to the Minister the revocation of any licence if the holder fails to comply with any of the provisions of the Fisheries Act or any subsidiary legislation made thereunder or any conditions which may be attached to his licence.

Transfer of  
licence

8. (1) No licence shall be transferrable without the prior written permission of the Principal Licensing Officer.

(2) In the case of a licence issued to a company or partnership a transfer of control of the company or dissolution of the partnership shall terminate the validity of the licence unless the Principal Licensing Officer otherwise orders.

Fees

9. (1) The annual fee payable for the registration of a fishing business shall be as set out in the Third Schedule.

(2) The commercial fishing licence fee which may be paid annually or monthly shall depend on the fishing unit authorized by the registration of the fishing business, the fishing gear used and where the fishing unit is permitted to be used, as prescribed in the Fourth Schedule.

(3) The area catch rate multiplied by the unit catch rate and further multiplied by the basic fee shall be the formula to determine the annual fees which in the case of monthly fees shall be one-tenth thereof.

(4) The Chief Fisheries Officer shall periodically review the basic fee, area catch rate and unit catch rate and shall cause the same to be published in the *Gazette*.

(5) Where a licence grants the licensee the option of fishing in any two or more fishing areas, the fee payable shall be the highest in respect of any of such areas.

Catch limits

10. (1) The Principal Licensing Officer may at his discretion, subject to the Sixth Schedule, impose limits on the amount of fish which may be taken from any waters of Lake Malawi as prescribed in the Tenth Schedule.

(2) Any limits set out under subregulation (1) shall in addition to being published in the *Gazette* be served on any licensee affected at least 30 days before the date such limits are to come into operation.

Registration  
of shore seine  
nets

11. (1) No person shall whether by himself, his agent or his servant operate or cause to be operated a shore seine net with a headrope length exceeding 3 metres (9.8 feet) without first being registered by a Licensing Officer in the form prescribed in the Eleventh Schedule.

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(2) The types and sizes of shore seine nets which may be used and the conditions, areas and times of their operation and the fees payable for registration which shall be renewable on the 1st April each year, shall be those prescribed in the Seventh Schedule to these Regulations.

12. (1) No person shall whether by himself, his agent or servant operate or cause to be operated a gill net without first being registered by Licensing Officer in the form prescribed in the Eleventh Schedule. Registration of gill nets

(2) The types and sizes of gill nets which may be used and the conditions, areas and times of their operation and the fees payable for registration which shall be renewable on the 1st April of each year, shall be those prescribed in the Eighth Schedule to these Regulations.

13. The Principal Licensing Officer may give written permission for the use of a specified number, length and depth of gill nets or shore seine nets of a specified mesh size to be operated for a specified period in a specified area which may differ from the sizes, periods or areas stated in the Seventh or Eighth Schedules. Exceptions

14. No person shall place or operate any static or drifting fishing gear unless it is clearly visible for a minimum of one nautical mile (1.85 kilometres) and if operated between 1800 and 0600 hours displays a light on both ends of the gear. Buoys and lights

15. No person shall place or operate any fishing gear in such a manner as to cause obstruction to any waterway: Obstruction to waterway

Provided that a waterway shall not be considered obstructed if one fifth of its width or a width of 6 metres (19.7 feet) whichever is less, over a depth of 3 metres (9.8 feet) is free from obstruction.

16. (1) No person shall take, kill, buy, sell, expose for sale or have in his possession any fish of less than the length prescribed in the Ninth Schedule. Minimum length allowed

(2) Any person who catches any fish, whether dead or alive, of less than the prescribed minimum length, shall immediately return the same to the water from which it was removed.

(3) The Chief Fisheries Officer may give authority in writing to any person to take specified numbers and species of fish of less than the minimum prescribed length.

FIRST SCHEDULE

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF FISHING BUSINESS AND FOR COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENSE

1. Name of applicant .....

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2. Address .....

**3. (a) Description of applicant's present fishing activities, if any .....**

(b) Location of applicant's present fishing base .....

4. (a) Brief but precise description of the gear for which the licence is required (i.e., indicate size and type of net, whether two-boat or single boat operation, etc.). . . . .

(b) Location of base from which the applicant would operate the gear listed under (a) above: . . . . .

(c) Description of waters in which applicant proposes to use the gear listed under (a) above: .....

5. (a) List beaches or shore landings at which it is proposed to land fish

(b) Indicate whether or not provisional arrangements have been made to market the fish that would be caught and if so briefly describe them: .....

**6. Has any previous application for a fishing licence been made by the applicant or any member of his household or by any person having an interest in the present application .....**  
**If the answer is "Yes" please give full details .....**

**To: The Principal Licensing Officer,  
Fisheries Department,  
P.O. Box 593,  
Lilongwe.**

Through the Fisheries Officer.

I declare that the information given above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date ..... (Signature of Applicant)

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## SECOND SCHEDULE

## PART I

## REGISTRATION OF A FISHING BUSINESS

**Registration as a fishing business is hereby granted to.....**

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of .....  
to own the fishing units hereinafter defined:

to be used in the following waters:

subject to the following conditions:

The registration, unless revoked or suspended, shall be valid from  
(dates) ..... to .....  
Each year upon payment of the proper fee and the completion of the  
form shown on the First Schedule and with the approval of the Principal  
Licensing Officer this registration may be renewed for another year for  
up to five years from the date of first registration.

Fee paid ..... General Receipt No. .... Date .....

Signed .....

Minister of Agriculture and  
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Registration No. ....

PART II

COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENCE

The fishing business, (name) .....  
Registration Number ....., hereinafter referred to as the  
licensee, is authorized to fish according to the conditions on the  
registration and must comply with the following general conditions:

- (a) Fish taken under the licence shall be caught and landed at such  
place or places as shall be specified in the special conditions on  
the licence unless weather conditions render compliance with  
such condition impossible and the burden of proving such  
compliance to be impossible shall lie with the licensee;
- (b) The licensee shall render to the Chief Fisheries Officer within  
seven days of the end of each month a completed return in the  
prescribed form of fish caught under the licence, the gear used,  
the area and depth fished and such other information considered  
relevant by the Principal Licensing Officer;
- (c) The licensee shall keep such records as will, in the opinion of the  
Chief Fisheries Officer, enable the licensee to submit accurate  
returns and the licensee shall allow any Fisheries Officer access to  
these records at any time;
- (d) The licensee shall permit the observation of his operation and  
also the sampling of his catch by duly authorized personnel for  
research purpose and/or statistical analysis;

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- (c) All documents relevant to owning and operating a fishing business must be made available when requested by duly authorized personnel for enforcement purposes;
- (f) The licensee shall not operate a trawl net between 1700 and 0700 hours without the prior written consent of the Principal Licensing Officer.

B. SPECIAL CONDITIONS

.....  
.....  
Fee paid: K..... Cheque or General Receipt No. ....  
Date .....  
Fishing period, dates from and to .....  
(if not entered here, see attached authorization form)

Signed .....  
Minister of Agriculture and  
Natural Resources

Permission to fish other fishing periods during the validity of the Commercial Fishing Licence may be requested by completing the form set out in Part III and submitting it with payment of the required fee (annual or monthly according to the Fourth Schedule). Granting of authorization depends on the approval of the Principal Licensing Officer and will take the form as set out in Part III to be sent to the licensee and will be an adjunct to this previously issued Commercial Fishing Licence

PART III

RENEWAL \* OF COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENCE AND/OR AUTHORIZATION  
FOR ADDITIONAL FISHING PERIODS DURING THE VALIDITY OF THE  
FISHING LICENCE

RENEWAL \*/APPLICATION FORM

I, (name) .....  
of (address) .....  
holder of Registration Number ..... for a fishing  
business, request permission to operate my fishing unit during (list time  
period in whole months) .....  
.....  
in the following areas .....  
Enclosed is my fee payment by cheque for General Receipt Number  
.....  
Date .....

Signed .....

SEND TO: The Principal Licensing Officer,  
Fisheries Department,  
P.O. Box 593,  
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Through the Fisheries Officer.

WHO WILL STAMP DATE OF RECEIPT ONTO THIS FORM.

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**AUTHORIZATION FORM**

The owner of the fishing business, Registration Number .....  
is authorized to fish according to the conditions of his registration and  
Commercial Fishing Licence for the following time periods (inclusive  
dates) .....  
.....  
in the following areas .....

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Date ..... Signed .....  
(approved) (Principal Licensing Officer)

Date renewal request received .....  
Delete as necessary

### THIRD SCHEDULE

ANNUAL FEES FOR REGISTRATION OF COMMERCIAL FISHING UNITS G.N. 162/1983

Fishing unit using motorized power		Annual fee K
0 to 37 kW Lake Chilwa	.. .. .	55.00
0 to 37 kW Lake Malawi	.. .. .	100.00
38 to 74 kW Lake Malawi	.. .. .	200.00
Over 74 kW Lake Malawi	.. .. .	300.00

### FOURTH SCHEDULE

#### COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENCE AND FEE CRITERIA

#### PART I

#### AREA CATCH RATE

(For definitions of the commercial fishing areas of Lake Malawi, see the Tenth Schedule)

Lake	Commercial Fishing Areas*	Area Catch Rate	
		Shallow	Deep
Chilwa	Entire Lake	1	1
Malombe	Entire Lake	1	1
Malawi	A	3.3	N.A.
	B	2.7	2.7
	C	1.8	1.4
	D	1.7	1.0
	E	1.7	1.0
	F	1.7	1.0
	G	1.7	1.0
	H	1.7	1.0
	N	0.5	0.5

N.A. = Not applicable

\*For fee assessment and fishing purposes, Areas A, B and C will function as they are defined, but the shallow water and deep water in the south west arm (Areas D, E and F) will each represent a fishing area and likewise, the shallow water and deep water in the Domira Arm (Areas G and H) will each represent a fishing area, while the remainder of the Lake (Area N) will be treated as one fishing area.

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PART II  
UNIT CATCH RATE

Type of Fishing Gear	Net Mesh Size		Length of Headline		Horse Power		Unit Catch Rate
	Exceeding	Not Exceeding	Exceeding	Not Exceeding	Exceeding	Not Exceeding	
Ring Net .. ..	—	13 mm ( $\frac{1}{2}$ " )	—	1000 m (1093.3 yds.)	—	—	1
Ring Net .. ..	38 mm ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ " )	44 mm ( $1\frac{3}{4}$ " )	—	225 m (246 yds.)	—	—	1
Ring Net .. ..	38 mm ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ " )	44 mm ( $1\frac{3}{4}$ " )	225 m (246 yds.)	400 m (437.3 yds.)	—	—	1
Ring Net .. ..	100 mm (4")	—	225 m (246 yds.)	650 m (710.7 yds.)	—	—	5
Trawl Net .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	25	1
Trawl Net .. ..	—	—	—	—	25	49	2
Trawl Net .. ..	—	—	—	—	50	99	4
Trawl Net .. ..	—	—	—	—	100	—	10

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## PART III

## BASIC FEE

For the purpose of calculating Commercial Fishing Licence Fee, K20 shall be used as the basic fee.

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PERMISSIBLE COMMERCIAL FISHING GEAR AND CONDITIONS

PART I

TRAWL NETS

Where Operated	Net Mouth size	Cod end Mesh Size	
		Minimum	Maximum
Lake Chilwa	Not Exceeding 25m (82ft. or 27.3yds.)	No restriction	
Lake Malombe	25m (82ft. or 27.3yds.)	38mm (1½")	44mm (1¾")
Lake Malawi	37m (121.4ft. or 40.3yds.)	38mm (1½")	44mm (1¾")
Lake Malawi excepting Area A	110m (360.8ft. or 120.2yds.)	100mm (4")	
Lake Malawi excepting Area A	110m (360.8ft. or 120.2yds.)	38mm (1½")	44mm (1¾")

A grace period of six months from the effective date of these regulations will be permitted for the change to the 1½" minimum net mesh size as stipulated in the Schedule.

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RING NETS

Type of Net	Where Operated	Headline Length		Mesh Size		Prohibited Fishing Period
		Exceeding	Not Exceeding	Exceeding	Not Exceeding	
Ring Net	Lake Malawi		1,000m (1093.3yds.)		13mm (½")	0600-1800 hrs.
Ring Net	Lake Malawi and Lake Malombe		225m (246yds.)	38mm (1½")	44mm (1¾")	1 Nov.-31 Dec.
Ring Net	Lake Malawi	225m (226yds.)	400m (437.3yds.)	38mm (1½")	44mm (1¾")	1 Nov.-31 Dec.
Ring Net	Lake Malawi	200m (218.7yds.)	650m (710.7yds.)	100mm (4")	---	1 Nov.-31 Dec.

PART III

REGISTRATION OF CHIRIMILA NETS

Where Used	Maximum Headline Length	Mesh Size	Maximum Depth	Prohibited Fishing Time	Annual Registration Fee
Lake Malawi	70m (76.5yds.)	No restriction	No restriction	No restriction	K20.00

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PROHIBITED FISHING GEAR

<i>Area</i>	<i>Fishing Gear</i>
Lake MalaWi - Area A	Midwater trawls
Lake MalaWi—shallow waters	Bottom trawls pulled by more than 100 h.p.

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LIMITS TO THE TYPE AND AMOUNT OF FISH TO BE TAKEN

<i>Area</i>	<i>Type of fish</i>	<i>Amount of fish</i>
All waters	None	None

## SEVENTH SCHEDULE

## PERMISSIBLE SHORE SEINE NET FISHING CONDITIONS AND FEES

Where in:				Headline Length Not exceeding	Mesh Size Exceeding      Not exceeding	Max. Depth Prohibited or Not	Period From      To	Annual Fee	
All waters	..	..	..	3 m (3.28 yds. or 9.8 ft.)	No restriction	1.5 m (4.9 ft.)	N.A.	N.A.	None
Lake Malawi	..	..	..	150 m (164 yds. or 492 ft.)	No restriction	10 m (32.8 ft.)	1 Nov.	31 Dec.	
Lake Malawi	..	..	..	100 m (109.3 yds. or 328 ft.)	—      19 mm (¾")	6 m (19.7 ft.)	6 a.m.	6 p.m.	
Lake Malawi	..	..	..	No restriction	90 mm (3½")	—	1 Nov.	31 Dec.	
Upper Shire River	..	..	..	100 m (109.3 yds. or 328 ft.)	No restriction	10 m (32.8 ft.)	1 Nov.	31 Mar.	
Upper Shire River	..	..	..	250 m (273.3 yds. or 820 ft.)	90 mm (3½")	—	1 Nov.	31 Mar.	
Lake Malombe	..	..	..	100 m (109.3 yds. or 328 ft.)	No restriction	10 m (32.8 ft.)	6 p.m. 1 Jan. and 31 Mar.	6 a.m.	
Lake Malombe	..	..	..	1,500 m (1,640 yds. or 4,920 ft.)	76 mm (3")	—	1 Nov.	31 Dec.	
Lake Chilwa	..	..	..	300 m (327.9 yds. or 984 ft.)	No restriction	5 m (16.4 ft.)	N.A.	N.A.	
Lower Shire River	..	..	..	200 m (109.3 yds. or 328 ft.)	No restriction	15 m (32.8 ft.)	N.A.	N.A.	

K5 for every 50 metres of length  
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## EIGHTH SCHEDULE

### PERMISSIBLE GILL NETS AND FISHING CONDITIONS

Where Used	Maximum Depth of Net	Minimum Mesh Size	Fees
South East Arm of Lake Malawi	No restriction	95 mm (3½")	K1.00 per 100m. of headline length or part thereof
Remainder of Lake Malawi south of latitude 12°15'	No restriction	90 mm (3½")	
Lake Malawi in the Northern Region	No restriction	No restriction	
Upper Shire River	3 m (9.8 ft.)	90 mm (3½")	
Lake Malombe	4.5 m (14.8 ft.)	76 mm (3")	
Lake Chilwa	3 m (9.8 ft.)	70 mm (2¾")	
Lower Shire River	3 m (9.8 ft.)	51 mm (2")	

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## NINTH SCHEDULE

### MINIMUM TAKEABLE LENGTHS OF FISH

Species	Where taken	Minimum Length
All species of Chambo	All waters	152.5 mm
<i>Opsaridium microlepis</i> (Mpasa)	All waters	300 mm
All other species of the genera <i>Tilapia</i> and <i>Sarotherodon</i>	All waters	102.5 mm
All other species	All waters	No restriction

## TENTH SCHEDULE

DEFINITION OF SCHEDULED AREAS FOR CONTROL OF LICENSED FISHING  
(Bearings are true bearings to nearest degree, grid references of trigonometrical stations are to nearest ten metres, those of other points to nearest hundred metres, co-ordinates are to nearest second of arc.)

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#### REFERENCE POINTS

1. A point at Cape Ngombo at latitude 13°43'18" south, longitude 34°51'29" east (Grid Reference YV. 009.824).
2. Trigonometrical Station 348/MWS on Lipangala Hill near the village of Saidi Mwazungu at latitude 13°59'15" south, longitude 35°09'10" east (Grid Reference YV. 3257.5269).
3. The northernmost point of Boadzulu Island at latitude 14°14'42" south, longitude 35°08'37" east (Grid Reference YV. 313.243).
4. Trigonometrical Station 375/MWS on Ulande Hill at latitude 14°14'19" south, longitude 35°04'42" east (Grid Reference YV. 2419.2507).



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5. Trigonometrical Station 261/MWT at Monkey Bay at latitude 14°04'05" south, longitude 34°55'26" east (Grid Reference YV. 0783.4404).
6. The western extremity of Domwe Island at Cape Maclear at latitude 13° 58' 03" south, longitude 34°49'02" east (Grid Reference YV. 962.552).
7. Trigonometrical Station 381/MWS on Manga Hill near Mtakataka at latitude 14°12'27" south, longitude 32°29'24" east (Grid Reference XV. 6080.2900).
8. Trigonometrical Station 383/MWS on Maleri Island at latitude 13°53'44" south, longitude 34°37'26" (Grid Reference XV. 7553.6334).
9. Trigonometrical Station 26/NYP on Senga Hill at latitude 13°42'44" south, longitude 34° 36' 18" (Grid Reference XV. 7357.8367).
10. Trigonometrical Station 22/NYS on Ntuntama Hill at latitude 13°51'16" south, longitude 34°23'43" east (Grid Reference XV. 5072.6804).
11. Sungu Point at latitude 13°34'47" south, longitude 34°31'36" east (Grid Reference XV. 652.986).
12. Kirambu Point at latitude 13°16'55" south, longitude 34°20'33" east (Grid Reference XA. 454.314).
13. Cape Gilambo, latitude 13°19'28" south, longitude 34°47'25" east (Grid Reference XA. 935.265).

## PART II

## SCHEDULE AREAS

1. *The South East Arm* is that portion of Lake Malawi south east of a straight line on a bearing of 9° from Point 6 to Point 1.  
*Area A* is that portion of South East Arm south of a line on a bearing of 96° from Point 4 through Point 3.  
*Area B* is that portion of the South East Arm north of a line on a bearing of 96° from Point 4 through Point 3 but south of a line on a bearing of 70° from Point 5 to Point 2.  
*Area C* is that portion of the South East Arm north of a line on a bearing of 70° from Point 5 to Point 2.
2. *The South West Arm* is that portion of Lake Malawi lying west of the Nankhumba Peninsula and Domwe Island and of a line on a bearing of 9° from Point 6 to Point 1 and south of a line on a bearing of 93° from Point 9 to Point 1.  
*Area D* is that part of the South West Arm lying south of a line bearing 53° from Point 7 to Point 6.  
*Area E* is that part of the South West Arm lying north of a line bearing 53° from Point 7 to Point 6 but south of a line bearing 291° from Point 6 through Point 8.  
*Area F* is that part of the South West Arm north of a line bearing 291° from Point 6 through Point 8.

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3. *The Domira Area* is that part of the Malawi waters of Lake Malawi lying north of a line bearing 93° from Point 9 to Point 1 and south of a line bearing 97° from Point 12 to Point 13.

*Area G* is that part of the Domira Area lying south and east of line bearing 25° from Point 10 through Point 11.

*Area H* is that part of the Domira Area lying north and west of a line bearing 25° from Point 10 through Point 11.

4. *The Unscheduled Areas* (N) are those areas of the waters of Malawi not described in the foregoing.

## ELEVENTH SCHEDULE

No. ....

APPLICATION FORM FOR REGISTRATION OF A SHORE SEINE(S) AND/OR GILL NET(S)

(use a separate form for shore seine(s) and gill net(s))

1. Name of Applicant .....

2. Address .....

3. Location of fishing effort and landing of fish .....

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4. Type of net (tick one) shore seine or gill net

5. Brief description of net(s) to include length, depth, mesh size, material .....

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To: The Principal Licensing Officer

Fisheries Department

P.O. Box 593

Lilongwe

Through the Fisheries Officer

I declare that the information given above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date ..... Signature.....

NET REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE\*

No. ....

To be completed by the Principal Licensing Officer, detached and returned to the applicant.

Name of Applicant .....

Address .....

is permitted to possess and operate the fishing net(s) listed below subject to the regulations applying to the operation of this type of gear and the special conditions shown against each gear.

*Number and Kind of Net*

*Conditions*

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Any change in the status of the owner or the net(s) must be reported to the Fisheries Department in writing.

Date ..... Signed .....

(Chief Fisheries Officer)

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\*This permit is valid for twelve months and is not transferable.

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♦ Mzimba (Lake Chilwa)

Triplicate: to the Senior Fisheries Research Officer, P.O. Box 27, Monkey Bay  
 Quadruplicate: for your records