

Reg.
13/1957
1/1959
31/1969

FISHERIES REGULATIONS

made under section 33

Citation.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Fisheries Regulations.

Interpretation.
[Reg. 31/1969]

2. In these Regulations—

“fish dock” means the wharf under the control of the Chief Agricultural Officer at the Fish Marketing Centre in Georgetown;

“fish pen” means any fixed net or structure erected in tidal waters for the purpose of catching fish;

“the interior” means all that part of Guyana not less than twenty miles from the sea coast between the Corentyne River on the east and the Pomeroon River on the west and includes the North West District;

“North West District” means the North West Magisterial District as defined by the Magisterial Districts (Boundaries) Order; c. 3:05

“superintendent” means the Superintendent of the Fish Marketing Centre, and includes any officer of the Fish Marketing Centre deputed by the Chief Agricultural Officer to perform any duty required to be performed under these Regulations.

3. (1) Every application for a certificate of registration under section 4 of the Act shall be in Form 1 in the First Schedule. Registration of fishing boats, First Schedule Form 1.

(2) Every certificate of registration issued under this regulation shall be in Form 2 in the First Schedule. First Schedule Form 2.

4. (1) Every application for a licence under section 11 of the Act shall be in Form 3 in the First Schedule. Licence to fish, First Schedule Form 3.

(2) Every licence issued under this regulation shall be in the appropriate form set out as Form 4, Form 5 or Form 6 in the First Schedule. [Reg. 31/1969]

5. (1) No person shall erect, maintain or use any fish pen unless he is a fisherman and is the holder of a valid permit. Erection of fish pens. [Reg. 31/1969]

(2) Every application for a permit under this regulation shall be made to the Fishery Officer, and shall state the name and address of the applicant, together with the location, type and size of proposed fish pen.

(3) Upon the receipt of an application under the last preceding paragraph, the Fishery Officer shall inspect the site of the proposed fish pen, and may issue a permit in Form 7 in the First Schedule, and every such permit shall be valid for the period of one year commencing on the 1st January, in every year. First Schedule Form 7.

(4) Where at any time during the period referred to in paragraph (3) of this regulation, a new permit is issued for the first time it shall expire on the 31st December in the year in which it is issued but no proportionate reduction in the annual fee payable for the permit shall be allowed.

(5) A Fishery Officer may refuse to grant a permit under this regulation if he is satisfied that the issue thereof would not be in the interest of the fishing industry, or if the fish pen would be an obstruction or is likely to constitute a danger to navigation.

(6) Upon the refusal to grant a permit as aforesaid, the applicant may, within twenty-one days after such refusal, appeal in writing to the Minister.

(7) No permit issued under this regulation shall be sold or in any way transferred without the approval in writing of a Fishery Officer, and every such transfer shall be recorded on the permit by the Fishery Officer.

Export
licence.
First
Schedule
Form 8.

6. Every licence to export fish issued under section 13 of the Act shall be in Form 8 in the First Schedule, and may be subject to such conditions and limitations as are endorsed thereon.

Restriction
on sale of
fish.

7. Subject to regulation 9, no person shall expose for sale or offer for sale any fish within the city of Georgetown unless such fish has been obtained from the Fish Marketing Centre:

Second
Schedule.

Provided that this regulation shall not apply to the fishes set out in the Second Schedule.

Exemption.
c. 89:01

8. (1) Any company incorporated under the Companies Act may apply in writing to the Chief Agricultural Officer for exemption from regulation 7. The Chief Agricultural Officer may grant such exemption to any company upon such conditions as he may specify.

(2) The Chief Agricultural Officer may refuse to grant such exemption if he is satisfied that the grant thereof would not be in the best interest of the fishing industry.

(3) Any company aggrieved by the refusal of the Chief Agricultural Officer to grant such exemption may within twenty-one days of the date of such refusal appeal in writing to the Minister.

Sale of fish.
[Reg. 1/1959]

9. (1) Fish shall be discharged from fishing boats only at the fish dock, and in the order in which each vessel or craft shall have arrived at the fish dock.

(2) The sale of fish in the Fish Marketing Centre shall be subject to the approval of the superintendent and shall be by wholesale. The owner or captain of each fishing boat shall pay to the superintendent a landing fee in respect of all catches sold as aforesaid in accordance with the tariff set out in the Third Schedule.

(3) No fish shall be removed from the Fish Marketing Centre without the permission of the superintendent.

Fishermen's
rest room.

10. Only fishermen and members of the crew of fishing boats in respect of which certificates of registration have been issued under the Act shall be entitled to use any rest room or other amenities that may be available at the Fish Marketing Centre.

Mooring at
fish dock.

11. (1) No vessel or craft shall be moored alongside the fish dock without the permission of the superintendent.

(2) Any vessel or craft which moors alongside the fish dock shall occupy such berth as may be assigned to it from time to time by the superintendent.

12. (1) Nothing other than fish and fishing equipment shall be landed at the fish dock, except with the permission of the superintendent and upon such conditions as he may specify.

Landing fish and fishing equipment etc., at fish dock.

(2) Anything other than fish and fishing equipment landed at the fish dock except in accordance with the provisions of this regulation may be removed by the superintendent and the cost of removal, if any, recovered from the owner thereof.

(3) The superintendent, or anyone acting under his authority, shall not be liable in respect of any damage or injury to anything landed at the fish dock which is prohibited to be landed under this regulation.

13. The master or person in charge of any vessel or craft over thirty-five feet in overall length moored alongside the fish dock shall provide at all times a watchman of his vessel or craft.

Watchman to be provided on vessel alongside fish dock. [Reg. 1/1959]

14. (1) The owner of any vessel or craft which causes damage to the fish dock or to any equipment, gear, structure or accessory thereto or connected therewith shall, in addition to any other penalty that may be prescribed by these Regulations, pay to the Chief Agricultural Officer the cost of repair or replacement thereof as the case may be.

Damage to fish dock.

(2) The cost of repair or replacement under this regulation may be recovered from the owner of the vessel or craft as a debt due under the Summary Jurisdiction (Petty Debt) Act.

c. 7:01

15. No fishing boat shall be permitted to occupy any ramp or grid save with the permission of the superintendent and upon such conditions as he may specify.

Ramp and grid.

16. The fees and charges set out in the Third Schedule shall be payable to the Chief Agricultural Officer in respect of the several matters set out opposite each sum.

Fees and charges. Third Schedule.

17. Any person who contravenes any of these Regulations shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine of forty dollars.

Offences.

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Fisheries

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Fisheries Regulations

[Reg. 31/1969]

FIRST SCHEDULE

FORM 1

reg. 3(1)

Application for Registration of fishing boat

I,
residing at
do hereby make application for the registration of an existing fishing boat,
new
the particulars of which are given hereunder, under the Fisheries Act.

Particulars

Owner's Name:

Dimensions:

Length.....

Beam

Depth

Description:

Engine:

Dated this..... day of....., 19.....

Applicant

FORM 2

reg. 3(2)

Certificate of Registration of Fishing Boat
Fisheries Division,
Department of Agriculture,
Georgetown.

.....19.....

Certificate of Registration of Fishing Boat

The Fishing Boat..... has this.....
day of.....been registered with the Fisheries Division.

Registered No. G.

Owner's Name:

Dimensions:

Length

Beam

Depth

Description:

Engine:

Fee: \$2.00

Chief Agricultural Officer

FORM 3

reg. 4(1)

Application for licence to fish

I,
of.....

(being the registered owner of a fishing boat registered under the Act with registration number.....)* do hereby apply for a licence to fish in the waters of Guyana under section 11 of the Fisheries Act.

Dated this..... day of..... 19.....
Applicant

* Delete when application is made by a person who is not the registered owner of a fishing boat.

FORM 4

reg. 4(2)

Licence to Fish

Fisheries Division
Department of Agriculture,
Georgetown
..... 19.....

Permission is hereby granted to
of..... to fish within the waters of
Guyana until the 31st December, 19.....
Fee: \$0.25

Chief Agricultural Officer

FORM 5

reg. 4(2)

Licence to Fish

Fisheries Division
Department of Agriculture,
Georgetown.
..... 19.....

Permission is hereby granted to.....
of..... (being the registered owner of a
trawler exceeding 50 feet in length) to engage in fishing with the said
trawler within the waters of Guyana until 31st December, 19.....

Name of Trawler
Fee: \$100.00

Chief Agricultural Officer

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FORM 6

reg. 4(2)

Licence to Fish

Fisheries Division,
Department of Agriculture,
Georgetown.

.....19.....

Permission is hereby granted to.....
of.....(being the registered owner
of a fishing boat other than a trawler exceeding 50 feet in length) to engage
in fishing with the said fishing boat within the waters of Guyana until the
31st December, 19.....

Name of Fishing Boat

Fee: \$10.00

Chief Agricultural Officer

FORM 7

reg. 5(3)

Fish Pen Permit

Fisheries Division,
Department of Agriculture,
Georgetown.

.....19.....

.....is hereby permitted to operate
fish pen No.....situated at.....

until the 31st December, 19.....

Chief Agricultural Officer

Fee: \$1.00

FORM 8

reg. 6

Licence to Export Fish

Fisheries Division,
Department of Agriculture,
Georgetown.

.....19.....

Licence is hereby granted to.....
of.....to export fish as specified in
the Schedule below.

SCHEDULE

Description	Quantity	Value

1. This licence shall remain in force until the day of
 19.....
2.
 (Insert any other conditions that may be imposed)
 Chief Agricultural Officer

Fee: \$10.00 (General)

\$1.00 (Particular Shipment).

SECOND SCHEDULE

reg. 7

Fish exempted from distribution through the Fish Marketing Centre.

The following classes of fish are exempted from distribution through the Fish Marketing Centre:

- (1) Local varieties of fish —
- (a) hassar
 - (b) houri
 - (c) patwa
 - (d) sunfish
 - (e) perai
 - (f) lukanani
 - (g) yarau
 - (h) crabs
- (2) All imported fish whether frozen, smoked, salted or otherwise preserved.

THIRD SCHEDULE

[Reg. 1/1959

Licence Fees and Charges
Licence Fees

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Registered fishing boats	\$2.00
Licence for a person to fish	\$0.25
Licence authorising the registered owner of a trawler exceeding 50 feet in length to engage in fishing with the said trawler	\$100.00
Licence authorising the registered owner of a fishing boat other than a trawler exceeding 50 feet in length to engage in fishing with the said boat	\$10.00
Fish Pen Permit	\$1.00
Licence to export fish	
(a) General Licence	\$10.00
(b) Particular shipment charges	\$1.00

Charges

Fish Dock	
Pin Seine Fishing boats	\$8.00 per month
Deep Sea Fishing boats	\$16.00 per month
All other boats	\$10.00 per day
Landing Fee	
Cadell	\$0.10 per tray
Chinese Seine	\$0.10 per tray
Pin Seine	\$3.00 per trip
Deep Sea	\$5.00 per trip
Ramp	
Fishing boats not exceeding 30 ft. in length	\$0.25 per day
Fishing boats exceeding 30 ft. in length but not exceeding 45 ft. in length	\$0.50 per day
Grid	
Deep sea fishing boats exceeding 45 ft. in length	
(a) for the first four days or part thereof	\$3.00 per day
(b) after the expiration of four days	\$4.00 per day
All other boats	
(a) for the first four days or part thereof	\$5.00 per day
(b) after the expiration of four days	\$10.00 per day

A surcharge of 50% to be made on any fishing boats registered outside of Guyana.