

THE FISHERIES ACT  
(Cap. 378)

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 14 of the Fisheries Act, the Minister for Rural Development, makes the following Regulations: -

THE FISHERIES (GENERAL) (AMENDMENT)  
REGULATIONS, 2001

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Fisheries (General) (Amendment) Regulations, 2001.

2. These Regulations (General) Regulations are amended:

(a) In regulation 2 by inserting the following new definitions in their proper alphabetical sequence-

“trawl net” means a fishing net rigged in such manner as to have a wide opening and fitted with warps and otter boards, which is dragged along in the water behind a motorized boat for purposes of fishing;

“trawler” means a boat, whether motorized or not, which is built in such manner as to allow for the attachment of a trawl net;

(b) In Regulation 43-

(i) by deleting subparagraph (b) of paragraph (1);

(ii) by inserting the following new paragraphs immediately after paragraph (1)-

(1A) It is prohibited to own or to be in possession of a trawler or trawl net at any point within a radius of ten kilometres landward from any point within the Kenyan waters of Lake Victoria or within a radius of ten kilometres landward from any point on the entire shoreline of the Kenyan waters of Lake Victoria.

(1B) Any person who contravenes the provisions of paragraph (1A) shall be guilty of an offence.

(1C) An authorized officer may, in the exercise of his powers and the performance of his duties under the Act, seize and detain any trawler or trawl net found within any of the areas specified under this regulation in respect of which he has reasonable cause to believe that an offence has been or is about to be committed.

(1D) Any trawler or trawl net which is seized under paragraph (1C) in respect of which an offence is found to have been committed shall be forfeited to the Government.

Dated the 18<sup>th</sup> January 2001.

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