

No. S 35

THE FISHERIES ACT.
(CHAPTER 294).

THE FISHING GEAR (CONTROL AND LICENSING) RULES, 1972.

In exercise of the powers conferred by paragraph (u) of section 7 of the Fisheries Act, the Minister for Law and National Development hereby makes the following Rules:—

1. These Rules may be cited as the Fishing Gear (Control and Licensing) Rules, 1972.

2. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires “fishing gear” includes nets, stakes, traps, and lines with more than three hooks.

3. No person shall erect, operate, maintain, use, remove or have in his possession any kind of fishing gear except under and in accordance with the terms of a fishing gear licence issued under these Rules.

4.—(1) The applicant for a fishing gear licence shall apply on a form prescribed by the Director.

(2) The applicant shall if so required produce the fishing gear for inspection by a fishery officer.

(3) The licence fees for the various types of fishing gears shall be as set out in the Schedule to these Rules.

(4) The licensee shall when he ceases to use or operate such fishing gear for which a licence has been issued inform the Director.

(5) The licensee of any fishing gear shall place and keep thereon such mark (if any) as may be prescribed by the Director for the purpose of denoting the licensing of such fishing gear.

(6) The licensee shall surrender his expired licence before a new licence may be issued.

5. Every person desirous of erecting any fishing stake shall first indicate to the Director the site of the proposed fishing stake and erect a pole in the proposed centre of the seaward enclosure. A fishery officer shall survey the site and the Director may then issue a licence to such person.

6. The Director may, before issuing a licence under these Rules, require the applicant to furnish a deposit. The amount of such deposit shall be determined by the Director.

7.—(1) The licensee of fishing gear shall, when abandoning the fishing gear or upon the expiry or revocation of the licence or when

ceasing to use or operate the fishing gear, remove forthwith or within such time as a fishery officer may direct the fishing gear and any poles, anchors, floats and ancillary apparatus used in the operation of the fishing gear.

(2) On the failure of any person aforesaid to comply with the direction of a fishery officer or with the provisions of these Rules, the fishery officer may remove or demolish the gear and any expenses incurred thereby shall be deducted from the deposit made under rule 6 of these Rules.

8.—(1) The licensee of fishing gear shall at all times carry with him the licence and shall on demand by a fishery officer produce it for inspection.

(2) Every licence shall bear, in addition to its own number, the number of the licensee's fishing vessel licence, if any.

(3) The licensee shall furnish information to the best of his ability on his fish catches, method of fishing, fishing grounds and any other information relating to fishing as may be required by a fishery officer.

9 In the event of doubt arising as to the correct description of an item of fishing gear, the name or description given by the Director shall be deemed to be final and correct.

10.—(1) The Director may in his discretion refuse to issue a licence or restrict the number of licences which may be issued in any year in respect of any type of fishing gear.

(2) The Director may in his discretion revoke any licence already issued without assigning any reason therefor.

11. There shall be charged for the licensing of any fishing gear, other than those specified in the Schedule to these Rules or not included in the provisions of these Rules, such fee as the Director may determine.

12. All licensees shall observe any directive which the Director may issue from time to time relating to fishing gear which has been licensed under these Rules.

13. The Fisheries Rules, 1951, are hereby revoked.

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THE SCHEDULE.

		Per annum or part thereof.
		\$ cts.
A. <i>Per man</i>		
01.	Crab traps (Injab and Bintur)	0 50
B. <i>Per gear</i>		
02.	<i>FISHING STAKE</i> (belat, bubu empang, kelong) in water.	
021.	Not exceeding 2 metres at low water spring tides ...	3 00
022.	Exceeding 2 metres but not exceeding 6 metres at low water spring tides	10 00
023.	Exceeding 6 metres at low water spring tides ...	20 00
03.	<i>SET BARRIER</i> length of stakes or screen (Empang).	
031.	Not exceeding 50 metres in length	1 00
032.	Exceeding 50 metres but not exceeding 200 metres ...	6 00
033.	Exceeding 200 metres but not exceeding 600 metres ...	10 00
034.	Exceeding 600 metres	20 00
04.	<i>SEINE NETS</i>	
041.	Without pockets and not exceeding 40 metres in length ...	1 00
042.	With pockets and exceeding 40 metres in length ...	3 00
05.	<i>ENTANGLING AND INVESTING STRUCTURES</i>	
051.	Two-men lift-net (tangkul)	1 00
052.	Shrimp net large (sondong)	1 00
053.	Shrimp net small (rawa)	1 00
054.	Tangle net (jaring ketam)	2 00
055.	Gill net (Jaring hanyut and others)	2 00
056.	Filter net (Ambai)	3 00
057.	Moro Ami net	20 00
C. <i>Per boat</i>		
06.	<i>TROLLS</i> — trolling lines (panching tanda) exceeding three in number	3 00
07.	<i>LONG LINE</i>	
071.	Longline baited (rawai umpan)	2 00
072.	Longline unbaited (rawai)	6 00
08.	<i>TRAWLS</i>	
081.	Headline not exceeding 10 metres	10 00
082.	Headline exceeding 10 metres	20 00
09.	<i>OTHER GEAR</i>	
091.	Pelongtang	0 50
092.	Portable fish pots (bubu) excluding crab pots ...	2 00
D.	For every survey of the site of a proposed fishing stake ...	20 00.

Made this 25th day of January, 1972.

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