

Is-adran Môr a Physgodfeydd Marine & Fisheries Division



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

Eich cyf/Your ref:
Ein cyf/Our ref:

Date: 7 November 2018

Dear _____,

ATISN 12709 Fisheries Enforcement Action

Thank you for your request which I received on **16 October 2018** about **Welsh Marine Fisheries Enforcement**. The information you requested is enclosed.

You requested the number of “enforcement actions” taken by Welsh Government enforcement officers in relation to inshore fisheries for the following categories;

1. Oral Advice
2. Advisory Letter
3. Official Written Warning
4. Caution
5. Financial Administrative Penalties
6. Other Actions
7. Prosecution

For Point 1 we do not hold records.

For Point 2, where it is associated with an investigation, it is included on the attached table, we do hold records for all letters of advice sent.

For Point 3, see attached table

For Point 4, Welsh Government do not issue

For Point 5, Welsh Government do not currently issue

For Point 6 we do not hold records

For Point 7, see attached table.

Welsh Government Marine and Fisheries Department are responsible of all Enforcement within the Welsh Zone and therefore do not record “Inshore fisheries” separately.

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government’s handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government’s Freedom of Information Officer at:



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Information Rights Unit,
Welsh Government,
Cathays Park,
Cardiff,
CF10 3NQ

or Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office,
Wycliffe House,
Water Lane,
Wilmslow,
Cheshire,
SK9 5AF.

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely

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Date of Offence	Vessel / Offender	Offence	Area	Outcome
Apr-14	Vessel (owner/Master)	Scallop Dredging in closed area	Cardigan Bay	Pros
Feb-14	Vessel (owner/Master)	Scallop Dredging in closed area	North Lleyn	Pros
Apr-14	Vessel (owner/Master)	Scallop Dredging in closed area	Cardigan Bay	OWW
Mar-14	Vessel (owner/Master)	illegal scallop gear - spacial	North Lleyn	Pros
Jun-14	Individual	Commercial fishing from unlicensed vessel	River Dee	AL
Oct-14	Individual	Commercial fishing from unlicensed vessel	Anglesey	OWW
Nov-14	Vessel (owner/Master)	Non-Submission of Statutory data	Celtic Sea	Pros
Nov-14	Vessel (owner/Master)	Scallop Dredging in closed area	Cardigan Bay	Pros
Aug-14	Vessel (owner/Master)	Over Quota offences	North Wales	OWW
Nov-14	Individual	Illegal Sand removal	Anglesey	OWW
Dec-14	Vessel (owner/Master)	Commercial fishing from unlicensed vessel	Anglesey	NFA
Nov-14	Vessel (owner/Master)	Illegal Gill netting	3 Rivers	Pros
Feb-15	Vessel (owner/Master)	Trawling in a closed area	Celtic Sea	Pros
Feb-15	Vessel (owner/Master)	Non-Submission of Statutory data	Bristol Channel	OWW
Feb-15	Vessel (owner/Master)	Scallop Dredging in closed area	North Lleyn	Pros
Apr-15	Vessel (owner/Master)	Scallop Dredging in closed area	Cardigan Bay	Pros
Mar-15	Vessel (owner/Master)	Misrecord species in Logbook	Bristol Channel	NFA
Nov-14	Vessel (owner/Master)	Scallop Dredging in closed area	North Lleyn	OWW

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Apr-15	Vessel (owner/Master)	Recreational potting - excess pots	Anglesey	OWW
Aug-15	Vessel (owner/Master)	Failure to submit Statutory data	Conwy	OWW
Nov-15	Vessel (owner/Master)	Undersized scallops and gear infringements	North Lleyn	AL
Nov-15	Vessel (owner/Master)	Scallop dredging - excess KW	Liverpool Bay	NFA
Nov-15	Vessel (owner/Master)	Scallop dredging - excess KW	Liverpool Bay	Pros
Nov-15	Vessel (owner/Master)	Scallop dredging - excess KW	Liverpool Bay	Pros
Dec-15	Vessel (owner/Master)	Scallop Dredging in closed area	Cardigan Bay	Pros
Dec-15	Vessel (owner/Master)	Scallop Dredging in closed area	Cardigan Bay	Pros
Dec-15	Vessel (owner/Master)	Undersized scallops	Liverpool Bay	AL
Jan-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	Scallop dredging - vessel size	Liverpool Bay	Pros
Jan-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	Scallop dredging - vessel size	Liverpool Bay	Pros
Jan-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	Illegal fishing - vessel size	North Wales	Pros
May-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	fishing gear configuration	Celtic Sea	Pros
Mar-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	Scallop Dredging - tracking order	Liverpool Bay	Pros
May-16	Individual	Removing Cockle from closed bed	3 Rivers	Pros
May-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	Landing u/s edible crab	North Lleyn	OWW
Nov-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	Illegal fishing - vessel size	Bristol Channel	NFA
Jun-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	Retention of lobsters below minumum size	Pembrokeshire	Pros
Feb-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	Scallop dredging - excess KW	Liverpool Bay	OWW
Nov-15	Vessel (owner/Master)	Scallop Dredging - tracking order	Liverpool Bay	AL
Feb-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	Scallop dredging - excess KW	Liverpool Bay	OWW
Jul-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	Illegal fishing - vessel size	Bristol Channel	NFA
Jul-16	Company	Purchasing u/s whelkk	Cardigan Bay	OWW

Jul-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	Landing undersized Whelk	Bristol Channel	OWW
Jun-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	Landing u/s edible lobster	Celtic Sea	OWW
Sep-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	Non submission of statutory data	Celtic Sea	OWW
Aug-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	Recreational potting - excess lobsters	Anglesey	OWW
Sep-16	Individual	Removing Cockle from closed bed	3 Rivers	Pros
Aug-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	Commercial fishing from an unlicensed vessel	Celtic Sea	OWW
Sep-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	Recreational potting - excess lobsters	Cardigan Bay	Pros
Sep-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	Non submission of statutory data	Cardigan Bay	OWW
Nov-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	illegal scallop gear - spacial	North Lleyn	NFA
Nov-16	Company	Undersize lobsters offered for sale	South Wales	OWW
Nov-16	Company	Non submission of statutory data	South Wales	OWW
Dec-16	Individual	Removal of u/s cockle	Anglesey	Pros
Nov-16	Vessel (owner/Master)	Non submission of statutory data	Cardigan Bay	OWW
Oct-16	Individual	Illegal works on Foreshore - Treaddur Bay	Anglesey	Pros
Mar-17	Vessel (owner/Master)	Landing of Razor Clams	Carmarthen Bay	NFA
Apr-17	Vessel (owner/Master)	Failure to carry log book and licence.	Liverpool Bay	AL
May-17	Vessel (owner/Master)	Mis-recording species in log	Bristol Channel	AL
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May-17	Vessel (owner/Master)	Landing undersized Whelk	Celtic Sea	Pros
May-17	Vessel (owner/Master)	Mis-recording species in log	Celtic Sea	AL
May-17	Vessel (owner/Master)	Recreational potting - excess lobsters	Anglesey	AL
Jun-17	Vessel (owner/Master)	Inaccurate logbook - quota	Bristol Channel	NFA
Apr-17	County Council	Working without a marine licence	Ceredigion	NFA

Apr-17	Individual	Commercial fishing from shore	Anglesey	AL
Aug-17	Individual	Removing Cockle from closed bed	3 Rivers	Pros
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Oct-17	Individual	Removing Cockle from closed bed	3 Rivers	Pros
Oct-17	Individual	Commercial fishing from shore	Menai Straits	OWW
Apr-17	Vessel (owner/Master)	Non submission of statutory data	Celtic Sea	NFA
Dec-17	Individual	Removing Cockle from closed bed	3 Rivers	Pros
Feb-18	Vessel (owner/Master)	Undersized Whelk	Carmarthen Bay	OWW
Mar-18	Vessel (owner/Master)	undersized lobster	Celtic Sea	OWW
Aug-18	Vessel (owner/Master)	Mis-reporting area of capture - quota	Bristol Channel	AL

Pros	Prosecution
OWW	Official Written Warning
AL	Advisory Letter
NFA	No Further Action