

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS, CLIMATE ACTION AND  
ENVIRONMENT**

**INLAND FISHERIES ACTS 1959 TO 2017**

**CONSERVATION OF COARSE FISH AND PIKE**

**No. 17(2) DUNDALK DISTRICT (LOUGH MUCKNO)**

**BYE-LAW NO. 950, 2017**

I, Seán Kyne, Minister of State at the Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 57 of the Inland Fisheries Act 2010 (No. 10 of 2010) (as adapted by the Communications, Energy and Natural Resources (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2016 (S.I. No. 421 of 2016)) and the Communications, Climate Action and Environment (Delegation of Ministerial Functions) Order 2017 (S.I. No. 314 of 2017) hereby make the following bye-law:

1. (1) This Bye-law may be cited as the Conservation of Coarse Fish and Pike (No. 17(2) or Dundalk District (Lough Muckno)) Bye-law No. 950, 2017.

(2) This Bye-law shall come into operation on the 1st day of October 2017 and shall cease to have effect on the 31st day of December 2018.

2. In this Bye-law -

“catch and release”, in relation to angling for coarse fish and pike in the specified waters, means the careful handling of any fish caught and the immediate return of such fish alive to the water from which it was taken;

“coarse fish” means any fresh water fish other than pike, salmon, trout, eels or minnow;

‘keep net’ means a cylindrical net, strung on wire hoops and sealed at one end, suspended in water for the purpose of storing live fish until they are released;

“specified waters” means the waters in the No. 17(2) or Dundalk District specified in the Schedule.

3. Notwithstanding anything contained in Article 3 of the Conservation of and Prohibition on Sale of Coarse Fish Bye-Law No. 806, 2006, and anything contained in the Conservation of Pike Bye-Law No. 809, 2006, it is prohibited for a person -

- (a) to take by rod and line any coarse fish or pike from the specified waters other than by catch and release, or
- (b) to remove or kill any coarse fish or pike from the specified waters.

4. A person shall use a keep net for holding any coarse fish or pike taken in contravention of Article 3 until it is returned to the waters from which it was taken.

## SCHEDULE

### Article 2

1. Lough Muckno
2. Gas lake including the waters up to Derrygreevy Bridge (on the Keady Road)
3. Tributary up to Frankfort Bridge (leading to Milltown Lough)
4. County Water up to Wallace's Bridge (on Crossmaglen Road)
5. Clarebane river up to Clarebane Bridge (near Toome waterworks)

**GIVEN under my hand,**

**28 September 2017**

**Seán Kyne**

**Minister of State at the Department of Communications,**

**Climate Action and Environment**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This is not part of the Bye-law and does not purport to be a legal interpretation)

This Bye-law provides for catch and release in respect of coarse fish and pike in the waters of Lough Muckno.

## **FOOTNOTE**

Section 57 (7) of the Inland Fisheries Act, 2010 provides that any person aggrieved by any Bye-law may within 28 days after its publication in the *Iris Oifigiúil*, appeal against same to the High Court.