

DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE AND COMMUNICATIONS

INLAND FISHERIES ACTS 1959 TO 2017

CONSERVATION OF SALMON AND SEA TROUT (CLOSED RIVERS)

BYE-LAW NO. C.S. 337, 2024

I, Eamon Ryan, Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications, 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, Climate Action and Environment (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2020 (S.I. No. 373 of 2020)), hereby make the following bye-law:

1. (1) This Bye-law may be cited as the Conservation of Salmon and Sea Trout (Closed Rivers) Bye-Law No. C.S. 337, 2024.

(2) This Bye-law comes into operation on 1 January 2025.

2. In this Bye-law -

“salmon” means fish of the species *Salmo salar* (Atlantic salmon);

“sea trout” means fish of the migratory form of *Salmo trutta*, but does not include a sea trout which is 40 centimetres or less in length measured in a straight line from the tip of the snout to the fork of the tail.

3. Notwithstanding anything contained in any Bye-law fixing the annual close season, it is prohibited for a person to take, or attempt to take, by rod and line any salmon or sea trout from the waters of a river mentioned in column (2) of Schedule 1 opposite mention of a fishery district in column (1) of that Schedule.

4. Notwithstanding anything contained in any Bye-law fixing the annual close season, it is prohibited for a person to take, or attempt to take, by rod and line any salmon or sea trout from the waters of a river mentioned in column (2) of Schedule 2 opposite mention of a fishery district in column (1) of that Schedule during any year from 1 January to 11 May.

5. The Conservation of Salmon and Sea Trout (Closed Rivers) Bye-law No. C.S. 334, 2023 is revoked.

SCHEDULE 1

Article 3

Fishery District (1)	River (2)
No. 1 or Dublin District	Upper Liffey (upstream of Leixlip Dam) Lower Liffey (downstream of Leixlip Dam) Dargle Vartry
No. 2 or Wexford District	Avoca Owenavorrhagh
No. 3 or Waterford District	Owenduff Mahon Tay Colligan Corrock
No. 4 or Lismore District	Lickey Tourig Womanagh
No. 5 or Cork District	Upper Lee

<p>No. 7 or Kerry District</p>	<p>Owenshagh Finnihy Owenreagh Emlaghmore Carhan Emlagh Lee (Kerry) Behy Feohanagh Kealincha Lough Fada Milltown Owenascaul</p>
<p>No. 8 or Limerick District</p>	<p>Deel Aughyvackeen Annageeragh Inagh Fergus Maigne Upper Shannon (above Parteen) Owenagarney Skivileen</p>
<p>No. 9⁽¹⁾ or Galway District</p>	<p>Clarinbridge Knock Aille Owenboliska, Spiddal Kilcolgan</p>

No. 9 ⁽²⁾ or Connemara District	Lough na Furnace
No. 10 ⁽²⁾ or Bangor District	Owengarve Muingnabo
No. 11 or Ballina District	Brusna Leaffony Ballinglen Cloonaghmore
No. 12 Sligo District	Grange
No. 13 or Ballyshannon District	Abbey Ballintra (Murvagh) Laghy (Stream) Erne
No. 14 or Letterkenny District	Isle (Burn) Mill Clonmany Straid Owenamarve Swilly Donagh Culoort Glenna Glenagannon Bracky

No. 17 ⁽²⁾ or Dundalk District	Flurry Castletown Dee
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SCHEDULE 2

(Closed to 11th May)

Article 4

Fishery District (1)	River (2)
No. 14 or Letterkenny District	Lackagh

GIVEN under my hand,

19 December 2024.

EAMON RYAN

Minister for the Environment, Climate
and Communications.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Bye-law prohibits the taking or attempting to take by rod and line salmon and sea trout (over 40 cm) in the rivers specified in the Bye-law.

FOOTNOTE

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