

Devon and Severn IFCA News

Hand Working Fishing Activity: The Development of Bag Limits – Have Your Say

D&S IFCA is inviting you to have your say on the development of bag limits (catch restrictions) for recreational fishers. The bag limits will form part of a new Hand Working Permit Byelaw.



D&S IFCA is developing a new Hand Working Permit Byelaw. D&S IFCA intends to set a series of bag limits for a range of different species and resources taken by recreational fishers conducting hand working fishing methods.

Hand working fishing methods include the use of crab tiles, bait digging and a range of hand gathering fishing methods such as the gathering of cockles, mussels, clams and seaweed.

We are directly contacting everyone on our mailing list and are providing details about the subject matter. All stakeholders can respond even if they don't conduct the different fishing activities.

The information gathering exercise ends on Monday 9th March 2020.

The information about the proposed bag limits can read in full [here](#) by opening the pdf document. The circulated information includes the proposed levels for the bag limits, the rationale for the setting of the limits and links (if reading in electronic format) to further information. The information gathering exercise is based around five questions.

Species and resource included are as follows:

Brown crab, spider crab, lobster, spiny lobster, scallops, cockles, mussels, winkles, limpets, oysters, razor clams, other clam species, whelk, prawn/shrimp, shore crab, worms and seaweed.

How you can have your say

You have several options to choose from:

1. Contact us via email – consultation@devonandsevernifca.gov.uk
2. Write to us
3. Telephone us and come along in person and speak to one of our officers during dedicated time slots which are as follows:

Tuesday 18 th February 2020	(16.00 to 18.00 hrs)
Monday 24 th February 2020	(16.00 to 18.00 hrs)
Saturday 29 th February 2020	(10.00 to 12.00 hrs)
Wednesday 4 th March 2020	(16.00 to 18.00 hrs)

How will your information help us?

We will collate the information you provide, and this may help our Byelaw and Permitting Sub-Committee in their decision making. D&S IFCA protects any personal data it receives and has a privacy policy which you can read [here](#).

If you wish to subscribe to our mailing list you can do so [here](#), and you will then receive direct notification of future D&S IFCA consultations.