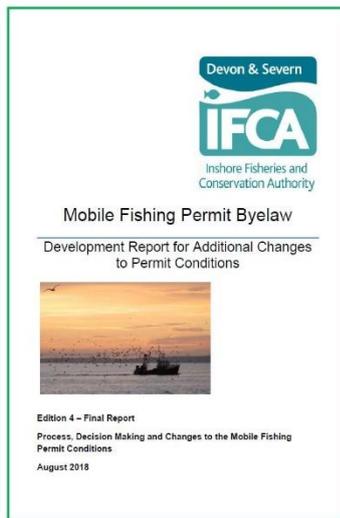


Devon and Severn IFCA News

Devon and Severn IFCA Introduces New Mobile Fishing Permit Byelaw Permit Conditions.

D&S IFCA has now circulated new Mobile Fishing Permit Conditions to all fishers that already had a Mobile Fishing Permit on 21st August 2018.



The new permits are accompanied by eight [Annexes](#) that relate to the relevant paragraphs in the [Mobile Fishing Permit Conditions](#). Previous versions of the conditions are no longer valid. New applicants will also receive the new permits.

What's new?

Key changes include:

1. **New Permit Conditions to manage the Inshore Potting Agreement Areas (IPA)**
2. **New Permit Conditions for the implementation and use of Inshore Vessel Monitoring Systems (I-VMS)**
3. **New Permit Conditions to replace a reliance on the deeming clause**
4. **The introduction of the size of a scallop (100mm) as a Permit Condition**
5. **New Permit Conditions to Manage access for ring netting activities in Plymouth Sound**

How and why were the Mobile Fishing Permits changed?

The changes were made as part of a further review of the Mobile Fishing Permit Conditions that began in 2017. The process included wide spread consultation and all permit holders had the opportunity to have their say. The rationale for the changes, how the process was conducted, the consultation response and the decision making by the D&S IFCA Byelaw & Permitting Sub-Committee has been documented in a [final report](#).

If you are not a permit holder but would still like to be included in future consultations [contact D&S IFCA](#). You can also subscribe to our free E-newsletter by contacting D&S IFCA.