

## Potting Permit Byelaw 2016

### Policy and clarification for permit applicants to provide sufficient contact details

Section 8 of the Potting Permit Byelaw specifies that an application for a permit must be made using the printed forms available from the Authority's office and website.

#### Explanation

To be issued with either a Category 1 or Category 2 potting permit, applicants must provide certain information on the application forms that have been created. D&S IFCA has developed on-line permit application, which for many stakeholders is a preferable option.

Either a current and functioning email address or a mobile telephone number must be provided during the application process. On-line applications cannot be processed without at least one of these two fields populated by the applicant.

D&S IFCA is committed to improved stakeholder engagement. Stakeholders need to be informed of potential permit changes and are encouraged to engage in consultations that may affect their fishing opportunities.

**D&S IFCA has taken the view that in a modern society, it is unreasonable to accept that any stakeholder would be unable to provide either a current and functioning email address or a mobile telephone number and D&S IFCA will not issue a potting permit unless at least one of these is supplied.**