Devon and Severn IFCA Seize Pots

Do these pots belong to you?



At 14.00 hours, on 21st July 2022, Devon and Severn Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority (D&S IFCA) Enforcement Officer Christopher Mills inspected static gear located at the entrance to the River Dart.

The inspected gear consisted of:

- A. Single Soft Eye Creel with attached line and buff.
- B. Single Soft Eye Creel with attached line and buff.

The pots were seized and are held in the D&S IFCA's gear storage compound.

Pot (A), used for fishing for crab and lobster was seized because:

The pot was not clearly marked with the vessel name or Permit number.

Pot (B), used for fishing for crab and lobster was seized because:

- During the period specified in Section 4.1, a permit holder or named representative is
 not authorised under this Permit, to use for the purpose of fishing for crab, lobster or
 spiny lobster, within the District any pot where the entrance or entrances to the pot or
 internal chamber of the pot are constructed from netting and are designed to prevent
 shellfish exiting unless;
- a) the pot is fitted with an escape gap
- The pot was not clearly marked with the vessel name or Permit number.

Claiming the Pots

If you believe these pots are yours then please contact the D&S IFCA Office or Enforcement Officer Christopher Mills.

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It is proposed that D&S IFCA will retain the pots and conduct an investigation.