

**Fixed Engines (27th February 2001)** (To be read in conjunction with Article 11 of Council Reg (EC) No 850/98)

The local sea fisheries committee of the Devon Sea Fisheries District by virtue of the powers vested in them by section 5 of the Sea Fisheries Regulations Act 1966 and Section 37 (2) of the Salmon Act 1986 and with the consent of the Environment Agency revoke the existing byelaw and make the following byelaw.

The placing and use of fixed engines for taking sea fish is prohibited.

1 In any waters inshore or the specified closing lines for the following estuaries or harbours:-

(a) in South Devon

- (i) River Axe - a line joining the breakwater  
270° True to the beach.
- (ii) River Otter - a line drawn from Otter Ledge to  
Otter Point
- (iii) River Exe - a line drawn from Warren Point  
to Orcombe Point.
- (iv) River Teign - a line drawn from the Ness 000°  
True to the harbour light.
- (v) River Dart - a line drawn from Combe Point to  
Inner Froward Point.
- (vi) Salcombe - a line drawn from Splat Point to  
Harbour Limbury Point.
- (vii) River Avon - a line drawn from the seaward  
extremity of Burgh Island 090°  
True to the coast.
- (viii) River Erme - a line drawn from Beacon Point  
to the seaward extremity of  
Battisborough Island.
- (ix) River Yealm - a line drawn from Season Point  
to Mouthstone Point.
- (x) River Plym - a line drawn from the Western  
end of Mountbatten Pier 000°  
True to Fishers Nose.

(xi) River Tamar - a line drawn from Devils Point  
225° True to Wilderness Point.

(b) in North Devon

(i) River Lyn - a line drawn across Lynmouth  
Harbour Mouth.

2. In the areas enclosed by the following lines within one nautical  
mile of the shore as defined by the lowest astronomical tide.

(a) in South Devon

(i) From Humble Point (East of Axe) to a point bearing 162° True and  
from Branscombe Mouth (West of Beer Head) to a point bearing  
181° True.

(ii) From Salcombe Mouth (East of Sidmouth) to a point bearing 173°  
True and from Torquay Harbour to a point bearing 178° True..

(iii) From Mewstone (East of Dartmouth) to a  
point bearing 158° True and from Langerstone Point (East of  
Prawle Point) to a point bearing 154° True.

(iv) From Warren Point (East of Thurlestone) to a point bearing 244°  
True and from St Anchorite's Rock (West of River Erme)  
To a point bearing 184° True.

(v) From Yealm Head (East of Plymouth) to a point bearing 205° True  
and from Rame Head (West of Plymouth) to a point bearing 180°  
True.

(b) in North Devon

(i) From Blackchurch Rock (West of Clovelly)  
to a point bearing 026° True and from Baggy Point  
to a point bearing 270° True

(ii) From Morte Point (West of Mortehoe) to a  
point bearing 275° True and from Bull  
Point to a point bearing 326° True.

(iii) From Beacon Point (East of Ilfracombe) to a  
point bearing 341° True and from Rillage  
Point (East of Hele Bay) to a point bearing

- 341° True.
- (iv) From Duty Point (West of Wringcliff Bay) to a point bearing 342° True and from Foreland Point to a point bearing 000° True.

Unless the headline of every fixed engine is set at least three metres below the surface of the water at any state of the tide or the fixed engine does not prevent or interfere with the migration of salmon or sea trout and permission has been given by the Clerk of the Sea Fisheries Committee, subject to the consent of the Environment Agency. Any permit shall be in writing under the hand of the Clerk and shall be used in accordance with the conditions set out in that permit regarding the times and manner of setting fixed engines.

- (a) The maximum permitted mesh size contained in any fixed engine to which such permit refers shall be 71 millimetres, except
- (b) during the period between 1<sup>st</sup> October and 31<sup>st</sup> December inclusive the maximum mesh size may be between 90 and 93 millimetres.