



Cornwall IFCA monthly shellfish statistics form guidance

The catch details that you provide are very important to us. In an attempt to make this process easier for everyone, we have tried to simplify the statistics form for 2017. Please only use the new IFCA forms supplied with your 2017 permit.

IFCA statistics forms for each month must be sent to our office by the 15th day of the following month. This includes any months where no fishing took place. If you are posting your forms, please ensure that you attach the appropriate postage fee. Alternatively, you may make use of the free MMO post boxes which are present in some ports. If you would like to send your statistics electronically, you may do so via our website.

<http://www.cornwall-ifca.gov.uk/Publications#Forms>

Filling in the forms

Please DO:

- ✓ Advise **ONE** six figure code for the **main area** fished that day.
- ✓ Advise the type of **gear hauled** each day, and estimate the quantity of pots and nets fished.
- ✓ Estimate the **weight in kilograms** of each shellfish species caught from within the Cornwall IFCA district each day.
- ✓ Tick the box in the bottom left hand corner of the form **IF** you have not fished for shellfish within the district during the month.
- ✓ Feel free to comment on the reverse of the form. We are always interested to hear about anything affecting the fishery.
- ✓ Get in touch if you require further explanation or need to ask us anything.

We no longer need:

- ✗ You to total your shellfish quantities at the bottom of the form.
- ✗ You to detail multiple areas each day, we assume some fishing may take place in other areas.
- ✗ Ratio splits across different areas.
- ✗ Over the course of several months we expect that all your main fishing areas will be included on your forms at some point.



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Six-figure area code

Example if fishing at X:

- Firstly, identify the area rectangle you fished in, defined by the red boundary, e.g. **29E4**
- Then identify the sub-square you mainly fished in, (1-9) shown in black, e.g. 7
- Then tell us which belt you mainly fished in. e.g. A (A = 0-3 miles; B = 3-6 miles)

X = 29E4 7 A

Please do NOT include any catch details from outside the 6nm Cornwall IFCA district

