

ANNEX A

BYELAW 3 (PROPOSED REPLACEMENT OF BYELAW NO. 5)

PERMIT TO FISH FOR COCKLES *Cerastoderma edule*) AND MUSSELS (*Mytilus edulis*)

(This Byelaw replaces CSFC Byelaws 21 and 23 and NWSFC Byelaw 5)

1. No person shall remove from any fishery, take possession of, transport or otherwise disturb any cockle or mussel unless they are in possession of and are working within the terms and conditions of a permit issued by the North Western Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority.
2. A permit will not be required by any person authorised to gather shellfish under the terms of a licensing or regulating order that falls within the boundary of the North Western Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority.
3. Permits will be issued to applicants for the following categories on production of:
 - 3.1 **Commercial gathering permit**
 - (a) Evidence of the applicant's identity containing photograph and signature, such as a valid passport, or a driving licence with photograph, and
 - (b) Evidence of the applicant's address, such as a utility bill issued in the preceding 4 months, and
 - (c) Evidence of the applicant's national insurance number, and
 - (d) Two recent passport style photographs of the applicant, signed and dated on the back by the applicant, and
 - (e) The appropriate fee
 - 3.2 **Non-commercial gathering permit** (This restricts permit holders to a maximum of 5 kgs of cockles or mussels per calendar day)
 - (a) Evidence of the applicant's identity and address, and
 - (b) Two recent passport style photographs of the applicant, signed and dated on the back by the applicant, and
 - (c) The appropriate fee
4. Failure to produce on reasonable demand of an Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Officer, a valid permit during any period of fishing for cockles and mussels will constitute a breach of this byelaw.
5. Failure to notify the authority of any change of a name or address during the life of the permit will constitute a breach of this byelaw.

Explanatory Note:- The purpose of this byelaw is to enable the Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority to enhance management of cockle and mussel fisheries by having the ability to identify persons involved in the fishery and to include in the byelaw whatever terms and conditions the authority deems to be necessary.

Permits will only be issued to individuals who meet the terms of Section 3.1 and Section 3.2 of the byelaw.

With respect to Section 1, “transport” from a fishery, any person responsible for any vessel, vehicle or any other means of transporting cockles or mussels from any fishery, will be required to obtain a permit.