Manage regulation and compliance on a fishery



Overview

This standard is about establishing procedures to control a fishery. It covers identifying the potential risks that a fishery faces and the establishment of appropriate procedures to support the monitoring of a fishery. It includes establishing procedures to deal with incidents relating to unauthorised fishing activity.

This standard requires the ability to advise and communicate with colleagues, the general public and the ability to seek advice from police and fishery manager(s).

This standard requires that you carry out work safely in line with legal health and safety requirements and that you work to maintain bio-security and minimise environmental disturbance at all times.

The legislation controlling the application of this standard will vary depending on the location of the fishery within England, Wales, Northern Ireland or Scotland.

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Performance criteria

You must be able to:

- P1 determine the potential risk presented to the fishery from unauthorised fishing
- P2 allocate resources according to risk to effectively control fishing activity
- P3 establish procedures to monitor fishing activity, in compliance with legal requirements and according to risk
- P4 establish procedures to deal with incidents in compliance with legal requirements
- P5 communicate procedures to people in a manner which promotes understanding
- P6 establish effective systems for accurately reporting and recording evidence
- P7 maintain fishery security in accordance with established procedures
- P8 investigate nature and scope of incidents within own limits of authority
- P9 seek advice from appropriate authority when incident falls outside responsibility
- P10 provide advice to people clearly, accurately and in compliance with legal requirements
- P11 communicate courteously, politely and firmly during any suspected incident
- P12 maintain accurate evidence records and reports in respect of all incidents

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 legislation associated with the control of fisheries
- K2 the powers, privileges, duties and responsibilities of bailiffs and fisheries officers
- K3 how to determine the risk to a fishery posed by unregulated fishing activity
- K4 what unauthorised fishing is and how to recognise it
- K5 the signs which indicate unauthorised and illegal fishing
- K6 the periods of the year when fish are most vulnerable to unauthorised and illegal fishing activity
- K7 the devices which can be employed to prevent unauthorised fishing
- K8 fishery characteristics, including vulnerable locations and habitats
- K9 how to deal with incidents legally
- K10 habitats where fish stocks are more vulnerable
- K11 how habitats are damaged by fishing activities
- K12 where to obtain advice in respect of incidents
- K13 how to record and report evidence and the importance of accuracy
- K14 the importance of courtesy, politeness and firmness when dealing with incidents
- K15 the agencies involved with fisheries enforcement and their interaction

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