Implement fisheries management plans



Overview

This standard is about managing the implementation of fisheries management plans to meet planned objectives, while at the same time complying with legal requirements. It includes monitoring and reporting to stakeholders the performance of the management activities.

This standard requires the ability to supervise and maintain the following fisheries management activities:

- 1. habitat maintenance
- 2. habitat improvement
- 3. control of sustainable exploitation
- 4. sustainable fish stock management
- monitoring and data collection
- 6. control of stock security

This will be done using equipment, material, time, people and a budget.

This standard requires the ability to take action in respect of the following variations: human influences, predator/prey interactions, disease, resource shortages, habitat deterioration and invasion of non-native species.

This standard requires that you ensure work is completed safely in line with legal health and safety requirements and that you ensure work maintains biosecurity and minimises 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

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- P1 manage the effective implementation of fisheries management activities within known resource constraints
- P2 ensure that fisheries management activities comply with legal requirements
- P3 provide effective support to those involved with implementing the plan
- P4 take action in response to variations from the fisheries management plan
- P5 maintain communication with relevant stakeholders to facilitate the effective management of fisheries
- P6 maintain accurate management records

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 legal requirements pertaining to the management of fisheries
 K2 legal requirements associated with the movement and stocking of fish
 K3 environmental legislation in relation to habitat management
 K4 the life history and habitat requirements of fish species
 K5 common fish diseases and methods of prevention/control
- K6 survey methods used to monitor fisheries
- K7 how data should be collected and recordedK8 how fish stocks can be enhanced including the use of restocking
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- K9 fishing methods and how they can be used to manage fish in a fishery
- K10 legal requirements controlling the movement of fish
- K11 the actions that can be taken to correct variations from fisheries management plans
- K12 people management, including the management of contractors
- K13 stock security and how the presence of non-native species can be controlled to limit their impact on the ecology of the native fishery
- K14 what is a sustainable fish stock and exploitation

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