

**TRIAL LICENCE NO. 31 UNDER
FISHERIES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1997 (NO. 23)**

The Minister for the Marine and Natural Resources, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by Section 9 of the Fisheries (Amendment) Act, 1997 (No. 23), hereby grants to

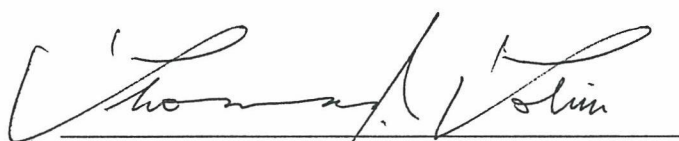
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a Trial Licence for the cultivation of abalone at Ross, Letircallow, Connemara, Co. Galway, for a period not exceeding three years from 9 July, 2001, subject to the terms and conditions set out in the Schedule to this Trial Licence.



A person authorised under section 15(1) of the
Ministers and Secretaries Act, 1924 to
authenticate the Seal of the Minister for the
Marine and Natural Resources

6 July, 2001

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS TO APPLY TO
3-YEAR TRIAL LICENCE NO. 31**

1. Duration of Licence

A maximum period of three years, subject to review or revocation, in accordance with the provisions of Section 9 of the Fisheries (Amendment) Act, 1997 by the Minister for the Marine and Natural Resources in the light of performance.

2. Cultivation Licensed

- (a) The cultivation of abalone only in tanks forming part of a re-circulation unit approved of by the Department of the Marine and Natural Resources.
- (b) Abalone (including the brood or spawn thereof) shall be obtained only from certified disease-free sources within Ireland or another Member State of the European Communities and only introduced into the re-circulation unit with the written approval of the Department of the Marine and Natural Resources.

3. Fish Health

- (a) The Licensee shall ensure the hygienic operation of the said re-circulation unit at all times and in particular shall take all precautions necessary so as not to prejudice the operations nearby of Turbard Iarthar Chonamara Teo pursuant to Aquaculture Licence No.85.
- (b) The Licensee shall ensure that the intake water for the re-circulation unit is sterilised using UV irradiation.
- (c) All sediment or waste material arising in the re-circulation unit shall be promptly removed and stored in a separate receptacle for separate treatment prior to disposal; disposal to the marine environment is not permitted. Any disinfectants to be used in that connexion shall require the prior approval of the Fish Health Unit, Marine Institute, Snugboro Road, Abbotstown, Dublin 15.
- (d) The Licensee shall notify the Department of the Marine and Natural Resources, Coastal Zone Administration Division, Leeson Lane, Dublin 2, and the Fish Health Unit, Marine Institute, Snugboro Road, Abbotstown, Dublin 15, within twenty-four hours of the appearance or suspected appearance of any disease or any abnormal losses or mortalities in the re-circulation unit and shall carry out any instructions issued by the Department of the Marine and Natural Resources as a result of the notification including instructions relating to the treatment, disposal and destruction of diseased stocks.

4. Reports of Trials

- (a) At the end of the first and the second twelve month periods of the trial, the Licensee shall provide an annual Report to the Department of the Marine and Natural Resources, Coastal Zone Administration Division, Leeson Lane, Dublin 2 on the progress of the trial, and indicating in particular:
 - (1) seed inputs (sizes, numbers and timing);
 - (2) growth rates and stocking density;
 - (3) production levels and quantities harvested;
 - (4) results of water quality monitoring in the re-circulation unit, and
 - (5) how the Licensee proposes to continue the trial in the next twelve months.
- (b) At the end of the trial period the Licensee shall provide a full Report to the Department of the Marine and Natural Resources in respect of the trial.