

Sea Fishing Boat Licensing Policy

To: Registrar General
From: Minister of State at the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries & Food

Policy Directive 1 of 2008

A policy directive under Section 3(2) (b) of the Fisheries (Amendment) Act 2003 is issued which provides for the replacement of Sections A and B of Policy Directive 1 of 2007, as amended with the following provisions.

- A The moratorium on "active pelagic" track record, already in existence for the year 2006, will be extended in respect of the years 2007 and 2008. The extension means that polyvalent boats, which did not fish for herring and/or mackerel between 2002 and 2006, will not be considered as having had a break in their active pelagic track record.
- B Polyvalent boat owners may have 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006 excluded from the determination of active pelagic fishing history for replacement capacity purposes. Polyvalent boat owners would also have the option to have any of these years included for the purposes of 'active pelagic' track record, subject to their having fished for herring and mackerel for a minimum period of 8 weeks in each of those years.

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Handwritten signature of John Browne and the date 28/4/2008.