

LICENCE FOR FISH CULTURE FARM

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE LICENSEE

1. The following conditions of licence are issued in accordance with Rule 4 of the Fisheries (Fish Culture Farms) Rules of the Fisheries Act (Cap. 111).
2. The licensee shall comply with all provisions of the aforesaid Rules (detailed information can be obtained from SFA website: www.sfa.gov.sg), all the conditions as set down herein and all subsequent amendment(s), addition(s) or modification(s) deemed fit by the Director-General or an authorised officer from time to time. Failure to comply with any of these provisions and/or conditions shall render the licence invalid and subject the licensee to regulatory action.
3. The licensee shall renew his licence preferably two months prior to expiry. Renewal by interbank GIRO is strongly encouraged. Late renewals are subject to prevailing charges.

LICENSING CONDITIONS

1. Farm Management

- 1.1 The licensee shall use the site allocated to him **SOLELY** as a fish culture farm. Only the licensee or his staff carrying an SFA fish farm pass is allowed on the farm. All farm passes must be surrendered to SFA if the person is no longer working on the farm.
- 1.2 The licensee shall, within seventy-two hours, write in formally to inform the Director-General if he ceases to carry out any fish culture and surrender his licence, or seek approval to make amendments on any matters pertaining to the licensed fish culture farm, including contents of the licence, ACRA business profile or modifications to the structure.
- 1.3 The licensee shall implement any relevant practical measures on the fish culture farm that will minimize impact on the surrounding environment and water condition, as well as to mitigate the negative effects on the fishes during times of crisis (such as oil spills and plankton bloom).
- 1.4 Toilets shall be well-maintained and discharge via a PVC tube (of diameter not less than 15 cm) and directed at least 1.5 m below the sea level; while garbage shall be bagged and disposed in approved waste container on land.

2. Farm Structure

- 2.1 All structures in the site allocated shall be constructed only in accordance with plans approved by the Director-General. The licensee shall maintain his fish culture farm in clean, tidy and safe working condition and he may be required to remove or modify the farm should it pose a hazard to navigation or other planned sea usage.

- 2.2 The licensee shall visibly display at all times the SFA-assigned farm licence number and demarcate the boundary at the anchor points using MPA-approved mooring buoys, while maintaining a sea space clearance of at least 100 m from the boundary of individual farm. The farm shall be lit at night and visible to all seafarers.
- 2.3 All structures must be securely moored with anchor ropes 3-4 times the depth of water at Low Water Spring Tide (LWST) to withstand tidal currents and wave action at site. All anchor ropes must be within the allocated area.
- 2.4 For safety reasons, the licensee shall install at least 2 fire extinguishers and 2 lifebuoys which are maintained in serviceable conditions, and placed at prominent and accessible places on the fish culture farm at all times.

3 Regulatory Requirements

- 3.1 The licensee shall cooperate with an authorised officer to furnish any sample required for the purpose of surveillance and any other information accurately, supported with written proof if required, on his farm and culture as may be required by any SFA officer.
- 3.2 The licence may be terminated if the licensee cannot maintain production of at least 17 tonnes (live weight) of finfish or crustaceans, or 34 tonnes (shell-on weight) of mussels per annum per 5,000 m² of farm area, unless specific approval has been obtained from the Director-General as to valid reasons causing the shortfall.
- 3.3 The licence may be revoked at any time without compensation or provision of any alternative site should the licensed fish culture farm is found to be no longer in existence or not in operation for continuous period of six months. The licensee shall within two months, dispose of, sell off or surrender the farm to SFA. Any extra cost arising from the removal and disposal work that cannot be cover by the security deposit shall be borne by the licensee.