



THE FISHERIES (GENERAL) REGULATIONS 1950,  
AMENDMENT NO. 28

KEITH HOLYOAKE, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 14th day of November 1977

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Fisheries Act 1908, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

**1. Title and commencement**—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Fisheries (General) Regulations 1950, Amendment No. 28, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Fisheries (General) Regulations 1950\* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the 24th day of November 1977.

**2. Measurement of size of mesh**—The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking regulation 8, and substituting the following regulation:

“8. (1) For the purposes of these regulations, the size of mesh of a net shall be the size ascertained by measuring the length between the inner edges of the knots of opposite corners of the mesh, with the mesh closed, the net being first wetted and stretched and having been otherwise prepared for use.

“(2) If the net is dry, the part to be measured shall immediately before measuring be soaked in either fresh or salt water for not less than 10 minutes.

“(3) In case of dispute or doubt, a weight of 0.5 kg, in the case of a trawl net, and a weight of 0.25 kg in the case of a net of any other description, shall be slung or attached to the lower knot of the mesh to produce a fair strain or extension, and the mesh shall be measured while the weight is in position.

\*S.R. 1950/147 (Reprinted with Amendments Nos. 1 to 20: S.R. 1973/52)

Amendment No. 21: S.R. 1973/252

Amendment No. 22: S.R. 1975/181

Amendment No. 23: S.R. 1975/259

Amendment No. 24: (Revoked by S.R. 1977/167)

Amendment No. 25: S.R. 1977/167

Amendment No. 26: S.R. 1977/226

Amendment No. 27: S.R. 1977/260

“(4) For the purposes of this regulation, the inner edge, in relation to a knot, means the edge of the knot that is nearest to the knot of the opposite corner of the mesh.”

**3. Trawl nets**—(1) The principal regulations are hereby further amended by repealing regulation 75, and substituting the following regulation:

“75. (1) No person shall use for fishing a trawl net that has in the cod-end—

“(a) More than one layer of mesh; or

“(b) Liners or sleeves of any material whatsoever.

“(2) No person shall use for fishing in area 006 of the Auckland Fisheries Management Area a trawl net the size of the mesh of which (as ascertained in accordance with regulation 8 of these regulations) is in the cod-end less than 125 mm.

“(3) Without prejudice to the requirements of subclause (2) of this regulation, no person shall use for fishing north of the 48° 30’S parallel of latitude a trawl net the size of the mesh of which (as ascertained in accordance with regulation 8 of these regulations) is in the cod-end less than 100 mm.

“(4) No person shall use for fishing south of the 48° 30’S parallel of latitude a trawl net the size of the mesh of which (as ascertained in accordance with regulation 8 of these regulations) is in the cod-end less than 60 mm.

“(5) Nothing in this regulation shall be construed to prohibit the use of any chafer or chafing gear on the underside of a trawl net.”

**4. Consequential revocations**—The following regulations are hereby consequentially revoked:

(a) So much of the Schedule to the Fisheries (General) Regulations 1950, Amendment No. 22\*, as relates to regulations 8 and 12 of the principal regulations:

(b) Regulation 12 of the Fisheries (General) Regulations 1950, Amendment No. 26†:

(c) The Fisheries (General) Regulations 1950, Amendment No. 27‡.

\*S.R. 1975/181

†S.R. 1977/226

‡S.R. 1977/260

P. G. MILLEN,

Clerk of the Executive Council.

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.*

These regulations amend the Fisheries (General) Regulations 1950 in the following manner:

(a) To provide that the measurement of the size of mesh in nets shall be made between the inner edges of the knots of opposite corners of the mesh:

(b) To permit the use of trawl nets south of the 48° 30’ S parallel of latitude with a mesh size in the cod-end that is not less than 60 mm.

The amending regulations will come into force on 24 November 1977.

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These regulations are administered in the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.