

Fisheries Information Notice 01-2013 Landing and prior notification Third Country Fishing Vessels



The Sea Fisheries Protection Authority has issued Fisheries Information Notice entitled “Landing and prior notification Third Country Fishing Vessels”.

LEGISLATION

References:

Council Regulation EC 1005/2008 the IUU Regulation
 Commission Regulation EC 1010/2009
 SI 554 of 2010 as amended by SI 367 of 2012

INTRODUCTION

Masters of third country or their representatives shall provide prior notification at least:

- 4 hours prior notification for fresh fishery products.
- For all other fishery products 3 working days before the estimated time of arrival in port. These regulations require masters of community vessels to give prior notification of landing of all species. These notifications are to be submitted through the Fisheries Monitoring Centre: (T) +353 21 437 8752 or (F) +353 21 437 8096. fmcireland@defenceforces.ie

The information to be provided

- a. Vessel identification.
- b. Name of the Designated Port of destination and the purpose of the call such as landing, transhipment, access to services.
- c. The dates of the trip.
- d. The estimated date and time of arrival in port.
- e. The quantities of each species retained onboard or where appropriate a negative report.
- f. The zone or zones where the catch was made or where transhipment took place, whether in community waters, in zones under the jurisdiction and sovereignty of a third country or on the high seas
- g. The quantities of each species to be landed or transhipped.

The prior notification forms.

- [Prior notification form](#)
- [Simplified prior notification form for catch accompanied by catch certificate.](#)

The designated ports for 3rd country landings are

- Killybegs Co. Donegal
- Castletowbere Co. Cork

Member State may deny access to port if the information provided is not complete

FORCE MAJEURE

While the legislative requirement directs that at least 72 hours notice of intention to enter port or land is to be given by the vessel master, this does not imply that if such circumstances arise, that necessitates for safety or other reasons, the vessel’s entry to port at any time within the indicated 4 hour period, that this entry can or would be deemed in breach of the regulation. While a vessel master may be required under ‘force majeure’ circumstance to amend his estimated time of arrival in port or even his destination port the regulatory requirement of receipt of authorisation from a Sea Fisheries Protection officer before landing can commence remains.

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