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## Press Release

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### **The SFPA Publishes Updated Fisheries Information Notice on Commercial Vessels or Aquaculture Producers Selling Directly to the Final Consumer**

The Sea-Fisheries Protection Authority (SFPA) recently updated the Fisheries Information Notice (FIN) titled: "Commercial Vessels or Aquaculture Producers Selling Directly to the Final Customer". This FIN replaces version 1 of 2020.\*

The FIN provides an overview of the legal obligations for commercial fishing vessel operators and aquaculture producers selling products directly to the final consumer. The FIN also outlines regulatory exemptions applicable to these sales. Vessel operators must comply with relevant marketing, traceability and labelling and weighing requirements. All operators must ensure compliance with food safety rules.

The SFPA are committed to supporting compliance with legislation and are available to provide guidance. For assistance or further details on the FIN, please contact: [sfpafood&fisheriessupport@sfpa.ie](mailto:sfpafood&fisheriessupport@sfpa.ie)

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## Note to Editor

\*The FIN can be accessed on the SFPA website or by clicking on the following link: [FFSU-FC-FIN-OC-08-24 Commercial Vessels or Aquaculture Producers Selling Directly to the Final Customer V2](#)

## Further Information

### About the SFPA

The Sea-Fisheries Protection Authority (SFPA) is the independent statutory body responsible for the regulation of the sea-fisheries and the sea-food production sectors. It promotes compliance with the EU Common Fisheries Policy, sea-fisheries law and food safety law relating to fish and fish products, verifies compliance and,

where necessary, enforces it. Its mandate covers all fishing vessels operating within Ireland's 200-mile limit, over 2,000 Irish registered fishing vessels wherever they operate, and all seafood produced in Ireland's seafood processing companies. The SFPA operates through a network of regional port offices situated at Ireland's main fishery harbours. For further information visit: [www.sfpa.ie](http://www.sfpa.ie)