

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS ENERGY AND NATURAL
RESOURCES**

INLAND FISHERIES ACTS 1959 TO 2010

**CONSERVATION OF SALMON AND SEA TROUT (RIVER SUIR) BYE-
LAW NO. XXX, 2014.**

I, Fergus O'Dowd, Minister of State at the Department of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 57 of the Inland Fisheries Act 2010 (No. 10 of 2010) and the Energy and Natural Resources (Delegation of Ministerial Functions) (No. 2) Order 2011 (S.I. No. 631 of 2011), at the request of Inland Fisheries Ireland, and having complied with Regulations 27 and 42 of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 (S.I. No. 477 of 2011), hereby make the following bye-law:

1. (1) This Bye-law may be cited as the Conservation of Salmon and Sea Trout (River Suir) Bye-law No. XXX, 2014.

(2) This Bye-law comes into operation on 17 March 2014.

2. In this Bye-law -

“catch and release” in relation to angling for salmon and sea trout in the specified waters, means carefully handling any fish caught and immediately returning the fish alive to the waters;

“fish” means either salmon or sea trout or a combination of both;

“salmon” means fish of the species *Salmo salar* (Atlantic salmon);

“sea trout” means fish of the migratory form of *Salmo trutta*, but does not include a sea trout which is 40 centimetres or less in length measured in a straight line from the tip of the snout to the fork of the tail;

“specified waters” means the waters of the Rivers Suir, Clodiagh, Lingaun and Blackwater in the No. 3 or Waterford District.

3. Notwithstanding the permission contained in Article 3 of the Conservation of Salmon and Sea Trout (Catch and Release) Bye-law No. 914, 2013, a person shall not take, from the specified waters, by rod and line between 17 March and 30 September inclusive during the year 2014 -

- (a) any fish other than by catch and release, or
- (b) use or attempt to use worms, prawn, shrimp or any other crustacean or artificial forms thereof as bait or any fish hooks, other than single barbless hooks, in angling for salmon and sea trout in those waters.

GIVEN under my hand,

XX March 2014.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This is not part of the Bye-law and does not purport to be a legal interpretation).

This Bye-Law provides for catch and release in angling for salmon (any size) and sea trout (over 40cm) in the River Suir (including the waters of the Rivers Clodiagh, Lingaun and Blackwater) and also prohibits the use of worms, prawn, shrimp or any other crustacean or artificial forms thereof as bait and any fish hooks other than single barbless hooks during the period 17 March to 30 Sept, 2014.

FOOTNOTE

Section 57 (7) of the Inland Fisheries Act, 2010 provides that any person aggrieved by this Bye-law may within 28 days after its publication in the Irish Oifigiúil, appeal against same to the High Court.