

BYE-LAW

Conservation of Trout (No. 8 or Limerick District) Bye-law No. 949 of 2017

I, Sean Kyne, Minister of State at the Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment, 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) Order 2016 (S.I. No. 420 of 2016) (as adapted by the Communications, Energy and Natural Resources (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2016 (S.I. No. 421 of 2016)), hereby make the following Bye-law:

1. (1) This Bye-Law may be cited as the Conservation of Trout (No. 8 or Limerick District) Bye-law No. 949 of 2017

(2) This Bye-Law shall come into operation on 14 June 2017.

2. In this Bye-Law:

“brown trout” means fish of the non-migratory form of *Salmo trutta*;

“troll” means to fish from a boat, which is being rowed or mechanically propelled through water, by trailing or towing, on, in, under or through the water, a fishing line with a hook, bait or lure attached, and “trolling” shall be construed accordingly.

3. In the waters specified in column (2) of the Schedule, when fishing for brown trout, it is prohibited -

- (a) for a person to take any brown trout of less than 36 centimetres in length measured in a straight line from the tip of the snout to the fork of the tail,
- (b) for a person to fish with more than 2 rods at any one time,
- (c) to fish with more than 4 rods at any one time per boat where there is more than one person on board the boat concerned,
- (d) for a person to take more than 2 brown trout on any day.

4. It is prohibited to take or to fish for, or to attempt to take or to fish for, brown trout or to aid or assist in such taking, fishing or attempting, in any waters specified in column (2) of the Schedule, other than, during the period, in any year, from the opening day specified in column (3) of the Schedule to the closing day specified in column (4) of the Schedule, opposite the mention of the waters concerned in column (2) of the Schedule.

5. It is prohibited to take or to fish for, or to attempt to take or to fish for, fish of any kind or to aid or assist in such taking, fishing, or attempting, in Lough Sheelin, other than during the period from 1 March to 12 October in any year.

6. It is prohibited to take any brown trout of less than 25 centimetres in length measured in a straight line from the tip of the snout to the fork of the tail from -

- (a) the River Shannon, and its lakes and tributaries, upstream of Sarsfield Bridge in the City of Limerick,
- (b) the River Maigue and its lakes and tributaries,
- (c) the River Fergus and its lakes and tributaries,
- (d) the tributaries of Lough Derg.

7. Trolling is prohibited in Lough Sheelin from 1 March to 16 June in any year.

8. The following Bye-laws are revoked:

- (a) Shannon Fisheries Region (Control of Angling in Lough Ree) Bye-law No. 787, 2003;
- (b) Shannon Fisheries Region - (Control of Fishing in Lough Sheelin) Bye-law No. 790, 2003;

- (c) Shannon Fisheries Region Conservation of Salmon and Trout Bye-law
No. 817, 2007.

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Articles 3 and 4

Fishery District (1)	Waters (2)	Opening day (3)	Closing day (4)
No. 8 or Limerick District	Lough Sheelin	1 March	12 October
	Lough Derravaragh	1 March	12 October
	Lough Owel	1 March	12 October
	Lough Ennell	1 March	12 October
	Lough Ree	1 March	30 September
	Lough Derg	15 March	30 September

GIVEN under my hand,

13 June 2017.

Sean Kyne

Minister of State at the Department of
Communications, Climate Action and
Environment.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Bye-Law provides for, when fishing for trout in the Limerick No. 8 District, a specified annual Close Season in the specified waters, a daily bag limit, a specified minimum size of trout to be taken in the specified waters and maximum number of rods to be used at any one time.

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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.