SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Conservation of Salmon (Scotland) Regulations 2016

Conservation status assessment

- **2.**—(1) The Scottish Ministers must carry out, or arrange for the carrying out of, an assessment of the conservation status of salmon in inland waters described in Parts 1 and 2 of Schedule 1.
- (2) In making the assessment, or making arrangements for the assessment, in respect of those areas of inland waters described in Part 2 of Schedule 1, the Scottish Ministers must have regard to the conservation objectives(1) of any special area of conservation forming part of those areas of inland waters.
 - (3) For the purposes of this regulation—
 - (a) "conservation status" means, in relation to salmon,—
 - (i) the stock levels of the salmon; and
 - (ii) the condition of the salmon;
 - (b) "special area of conservation" means an area designated as a special area of conservation within the meaning of Article 1 of Council Directive 92/43/EEC on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora(2) which is designated for Atlantic salmon pursuant to regulation 8 of the Conservation (Natural Habitats &c.) Regulations 1994(3); and
 - (c) "salmon" does not include any salmon produced by fish farming.

⁽¹⁾ The conservation objectives for special areas of conservation in Scotland may be viewed at https://gateway.snh.gov.uk/sitelink.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 206, 22.7.1992, p.7, as last amended by Council Directive 2013/17/EU (OJ L 158, 10.6.2013, p.193).

⁽³⁾ S.I. 1994/2716 to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.