



Fisheries Act (Northern Ireland) 1966

1966 CHAPTER 17

PART V

REGULATION OF FISHING FOR SALMON, EELS AND FRESHWATER FISH

[REGULATIONS AS TO NETS, ETC.]

72 Mesh of nets for taking fish in fresh water.

- (1) No person shall, under section 71(2)(*c*), (*d*), (*e*) or (*g*), use any net with a mesh of less size than—
- (a) such size as may be prescribed by [^{F1}regulations] ; or
 - (b) if no size is so prescribed, a size of [^{F2} 4.4 centimetres] from knot to knot, to be measured along the side of the square, or [^{F2} 17.6 centimetres] to be measured all round each mesh, such measurements being taken in the clear when the net is wet.
- (2) No person shall, under section 71(2)(*f*), use any net with a mesh of less size than—
- (a) such size as may be prescribed by regulations made under section 15; or
 - (b) if no size is so prescribed, the size specified in subsection (1)(*b*).
- (3) If any person contravenes subsection (1) or (2) he shall be guilty of an offence.

F1 S. 72(1)(a): word in Act substituted (1.6.2009) by [Public Authorities \(Reform\) Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2009 \(c. 3\)](#), ss. 1(3)(b), 7(1), [Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 3\(1\)\(c\)](#) (with [Sch. 1 Pt. 1 para. 4\(3\)](#)); S.R. 2009/172, [art. 2\(a\)\(b\)](#)

F2 SR 1983/100

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Fisheries Act (Northern Ireland) 1966, Section 72.