

These notes relate to the Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2013 (asp 7) which received Royal Assent on 18 June 2013

AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2013

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT

Part 1 Aquaculture

Chapter 3 – Commercially Damaging Species

Offences

Section 21- Offences in relation to control agreements, control schemes, etc.

48. **Section 21** makes provision in relation to offences. Section 21(1) makes it an offence, without reasonable excuse, for a person to refuse or fail to comply with any requirement imposed on the person by a control agreement (section 16) or a control scheme (section 17). Section 21(2) makes it an offence for a person to wilfully obstruct a person authorised under section 20(1) from carrying out any of their functions under section 20.
49. **Section 21(4)** provides that a person who commits an offence under section 21(1) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale, and section 21(5) provides that a person who commits an offence under section 21(2) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum (currently £10,000), and on conviction on indictment, to a fine.