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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Foyle Area (Control of Drift and Draft Net Fishing) Regulations 2004, and prescribe the maximum number of licences which the Foyle, Carlingford and Irish Lights Commission may issue for drift and draft net fishing in the tidal waters of the Foyle Area. In particular these Regulations prescribe that the maximum number of licences which may be issued in a calendar year shall be no more than the number of licences issued in the 2007 season but not exceeding the maximum numbers specified in the substituted schedule to the Foyle Area (Control of Drift and Draft Net Fishing) Regulations 2004.

These Regulations exclude the issue of licences for drift net fishing in the waters of the Foyle Area seawards of Lough Foyle.

These Regulations provide that in consideration of monies paid or payable by the Commission a person undertakes to make no further applications for a licence, that person and any spouse or child of that person shall be precluded from being considered under the provisions of paragraphs (2) to (11) of regulation 4 if he applies for a licence.

Applications for the 2007 season will be considered only from applicants who had a licence issued for Drift or Draft Net fishing in a minimum of one of the previous three calendar years.