

# MANAGEMENT OF PLASTICS: AQUACULTURE LEASEHOLDERS REPORT

# **Management of Plastics – reporting information**

Correspondence Address		
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	Location and Site Name	Lease No. Reference
	MacLeans Nose	AR1-15-2
	Invasion Bay	AR1-21-5
	Camus Glas	AR1-24-5
	Kingairloch	AR1-41-1
	Corran	AR1-50-2
	Gorsten	AR1-51-1
	Poll na Gille	AR3-12-6
	Port Na Cro	AR3-12-9
	Bagh Dail nan Ceann	AR3-15-7
	North Moine	AR3-18-6
	Ardifuir	AR3-22-11
	Carradale North	AR4-39-1
	Colonsay	AR9-35-10
	Loch Ailort	IN10-52-1
	Loch Leven	IN10-72-3
	Trilleachan Mor	IN1-17-6
	Soay	IN1-20-1
	Loch Seaforth	IN1-22-1
	Noster	IN1-22-3
	Grodaigh Cheesebay	IN2-81-3
	Grey Horse Channel	IN2-81-5
	Grey Horse Channel	IN2-81-6
	Ornish Island	IN3-131-2
	Stulaigh	IN4-143-2
	Marulaig Bay	IN4-151-1
	An Camus	IN4-151-3
	Hellisay	IN4-162-16
	Gighay	IN4-162-18
	Loch Greshornish	IN5-34-7
	Portnalong	IN6-79-2
	Balmeanach	IN6-81-4
	Caol Mor, Sconser Quarry	IN6-87-7
	Cairidh	IN6-92-1
	Scalpay	IN6-94-6

		Oighreachd a' Chrùir
	Sron an Tairbh	IN7-104-10
	Rum	IN8-156-4
	Isle of Muck	IN8-178-3
	Loch Hourn	IN9-25-4
	Isle of Ewe	RC1-33-4
	Camas an Lein	RC2-57-2
	Ardintoul	RC2-82-4
	Duich	RC2-87-2
	Sgeir Buidhe	RC5-56-18
	Peacam	RC5-56-22
	Tabaigh	RC5-56-24
	North Shore	RC5-56-36
	Caolas a Deas	RC5-64-5
	Loch Etive (Etive 6)	AR2-29-28
	Loch Etive (Etive 2)	AR2-30-18
	Loch Etive (Etive 4)	AR2-30-27
	Port Na Mine (Etive 3)	AR2-30-8
	Maol Ban	IN6-87-1
	Ardessie A	RC1-25-3
	Ardessie B	RC1-25-8
	Aidessie b	NC1-25-8
	Loch Kanaird	RC1-13-18
	Loch Broom	RC1-15-1
Reporting period	January 2023-January 2024	

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# <u>Confirmation of records for plastics used on leased seabed areas (from the sea surface to the seabed)</u>

I/we confirm that;

has maintained appropriate records for the above reporting period that reflect the procurement and disposal of plastics used on the listed seabed lease location(s) as part of measures employed to minimise the risk of losses to the marine environment and responsible disposal of plastic waste.

These records support the changes to procurements and disposal means reported below.

Relevant records of plastic procurements, stock and means of disposal employed for waste and redundant items used on leased sites will be retained for a minimum period of 5 years and will be made available to CES representatives on request during site visits.



# 1. Management of plastic in this reporting period

(i) The comparison of records for the current and previous reporting period indicates that aggregated procurements of **multi-use plastics** deployed on leased sea-sites has <u>increased/decreased/remained the same (delete as appropriate)</u>.

This <u>increase/decrease</u> (please delete as appropriate) was due primarily to the following reasons (refer to Guidance for completing the Environmental Management of Plastics: Aquaculture Leaseholders Report).

### First year reporting.

(ii) The comparison of records for the current and previous reporting period indicates that our aggregated procurements of **short term/ single-use plastics** used on leased seasites has <u>increased/decreased/remained the same (delete as appropriate)</u>.

This <u>increase/decrease</u> (please delete as appropriate) was due primarily to the following reasons: (refer to Guidance for completing the Environmental Management of Plastics: Aquaculture Leaseholders Report).

### First year reporting.

(iii) The comparison of records for the current and previous reporting periods indicates that changes to the proportion of waste plastic from leased sea-sites disposed of by recycling, re-use or to landfill are as set out in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Aggregated changes to disposal methods across waste and redundant	<u>plastic</u>
used on lease sites in this reporting period.	

(Tick as appropriate or enter 'n/a' if the disposal method is not used by your company for waste plastics disposal)

Disposal method	Change from reporting period	last	Single use (√)	Multi use (√)
Recycling	Increase			
	Decrease			
	Stay the same			
Re-use/re-purpose	Increase			
	Decrease			
	Stay the same			
Licensed Landfill	Increase			
	Decrease			
	Stay the same			
	Increase			



Licensed	Decrease	
Incineration-	Stay the same	
licensed (on-site is		
illegal)		
Other means of	Increase	
disposal.	Decrease	
	Stay the same	
Please insert details		

The increases and/or decreases in different disposal means listed in Table 1 are due primarily to the following reasons: (*refer to <u>Guidance for completing the Management of Plastics:</u> Aquaculture Leaseholders Report).* 

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(Tenants may wish to comment on relative proportions of the different waste plastic disposal methods from their sea-sites, particularly where high levels of recycling are consistently achieved).

# 2. Improvements in management of plastics on leased sea-sites

Please provide any information you wish to share on measures undertaken over the reporting period regarding improvements in the management of plastics.

• Existing target that large plastic farming equipment is reused or recycled; achieved 100% reuse or recycling for disposed feed pipes and nets in 2023 through identification of suitable reuse/recycling routes and storage options until routes are available.

### Existing management:

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- Plastic Policy Available on company website.
- Policy on Circular Economy and Responsible Waste Management Available on company website.
- Best Practice Management supported through Code of Good Practice for Scottish Finfish Aquaculture, GlobalGAP and Aquaculture Stewardship Council.
  - Responsible use of farming plastic equipment Operational Procedure covering;
    - o Waste management
    - o Installation and Maintenance
    - o Awareness and Training

### 3. **Opportunities and challenges**

Please comment on any opportunities, challenges and mitigating circumstances relevant to management of plastic used on leased sea-sites during the reporting period which you would like to share.



- Recycling routes can often be limited for highly specific plastics, such as nets, storage solutions have been identified to allow maximum utilization of what routes are available, but the lack of option and resilience of these routes still presents a challenge. Heavy reliance on reuse is still in place.
- Policy states that "Where possible, we aim to avoid the use of single-use plastics and we encourage its substitution with more environmentally friendly materials" however viable alternatives are not always available.
- Opportunity for a knowledge hub including stakeholders to ensure alternatives / routes are shared across all who may find them of use.

### 4. Any other relevant information

Please comment on any other factors you wish CES to be aware of regarding plastic use or waste management on your leased sites.

In 2023 sites completed 54 beach cleans.

Conversations with stakeholders support the concept of knowledge sharing to best utilize and develop recycling in the marine environment in Scotland.

Sustainability and Compliance Manager and Community Engagement Officer attended the Scottish Islands Federation Marine Litter Networking Event in February 2023. - Facilitated further engagement between and other attendees.

Global online training available in responsible plastic use and plastic waste management. Global online awareness video available – Salmon Interviews – Plastics.

5. <u>Report Completed by:</u> Signature: Date: 30/01/2024 Name:

Title/Position in company:

On behalf of:

Once complete, please send your Annual Report by e-mail to: aquareporting@crownestatescotland.com

Please title the e-mail as the Annual Plastic Report (year) for (your company name).

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Additional page for reporting on the improvements in management of plastics on leased sea-sites.