

MANAGEMENT OF PLASTICS: AQUACULTURE LEASEHOLDERS REPORT

Management of Plastics – reporting information



Confirmation of records for plastics used on leased seabed areas (from the sea surface to the seabed)

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.

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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>decreased</u> (delete as appropriate).

This <u>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).

The decrease in procurement is due to having sufficient stock.

(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 sea-sites has <u>increased</u> (delete as appropriate).

This <u>increase</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).

Whilst procurement has increased use on the sites has not. This is due to us bulk buying to get a better price.

(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.

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



(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 N/A	Increase			
	Decrease			
	Stay the same			
Re-use/re-purpose	Increase			
	Decrease			
	Stay the same		$\sqrt{}$	V
Licensed Landfill	Increase			
	Decrease		$\sqrt{}$	
	Stay the same			$\sqrt{}$
Licensed N/A Incineration- licensed (on-site is illegal)	Increase			
	Decrease			
	Stay the same			
Other means of disposal. N/A	Increase			
	Decrease			
Please insert details	Stay the same			

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: Aquaculture Leaseholders Report</u>).

There is a decrease in the amount of single use plastics going to landfill. This is due to a reduction in production.

(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. <u>Improvements in management of plastics on leased sea-sites</u>

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



Our use of plastics and their potential for marine pollution is considered and reviewed regularly.

The biggest percentages of plastics utilized on our leases have a 20+ year span therefore disposal is infrequent.

We look at sourcing second hand rope where appropriate.

Equipment is maintained to the highest standards to avoid and reduce risk of loss.

Should a float come loose as a result of rough weather, it is searched for and recovered.

While harvesting or removing floats, great care is taken to retain all the rope lashings.

Should any end up in the water attempts are made to recover them immediately.

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.

There is limited access to recycling facilities in the area in which we operate. This is further restricted due to the small scale of our business. When making previous enquiries regarding recycling we found that the volumes of plastic waste we produce and the distances from the recycling facilities made recycling unviable.

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.

Insert your response here.



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