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SFPA Publishes Updated Fisheries Information Notice on Common Marketing Standards for Industry

The Sea-Fisheries Protection Authority (SFPA) recently published an updated Fisheries Information Notice (FIN) on Common Marketing Standards for industry. The Common Marketing Standards set down minimum marketing size and freshness grading criteria for fishery and aquaculture products.

Fishery products that are marketed must comply with Common Marketing Standards. This FIN which can be accessed on sfpa.ie *, provides an overview of the Common Marketing Standards established in European legislation. Operators that purchase, sell or transport lots of fisheries and aquaculture products must be able to prove compliance with these standards at all stages.

The SFPA are committed to supporting compliance with both new and existing legislation and are available to provide guidance. For assistance or further details on the FIN, please contact: sfpafood&fisheriessupport@sfpa.ie

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Note to Editor

*The FIN can be accessed on the SFPA website under 'Fishery Information Notices': https://www.sfpa.ie/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=4qyeyzCEcpU%3d&portalid=0 and at the following link:

https://www.sfpa.ie/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=VPSkkZlvH1g%3d&portalid=0&resourceview=1This. The FIN was published on 12/08/2024 and replaces FIN 10 of 2011 Common Marketing Standards.

About the SFPA

The Sea-Fisheries Protection Authority (SFPA) is the independent statutory body responsible for the regulation of the sea-fisheries and the sea-food production sectors. It promotes compliance with the EU Common Fisheries Policy, sea-fisheries law and food safety law relating to fish and fish products, verifies compliance and, where necessary, enforces it. Its mandate covers all fishing vessels operating within Ireland's 200-mile limit, over 2,000 Irish registered fishing vessels wherever they operate, and all seafood produced in Ireland's seafood processing companies. The SFPA operates through a network of regional port offices situated at Ireland's main fishery harbours.

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