## North and West District Salmon Fishery Board And West Sutherland Fisheries Trust

# **BUYER BEWARE**

# The Salmon Carcass Tagging (Scotland) Regulations 2016

The only source of wild Scottish Atlantic salmon which may be purchased are those caught from net and coble fisheries in Category 1 or 2 waters.

It is an offence to sell rod caught wild Scottish Atlantic salmon. It is now a legal requirement that any wild Scottish Atlantic salmon killed at a net and coble fishery is tagged with a carcass tag as soon as it is brought to the shore. Printed on each tag is a unique number as well as the name of the netting station it was caught at. The tag must be inserted through the gills and then through the mouth and be locked in place.



## SAMPLE OF SALMON CARCASS TAGS

A tag may only be removed when the salmon is prepared for cooking or smoking, is cuts into steaks, cutlets or other portions immediately prior to it being offered, or exposed for sale or is prepared for your own consumption.

It is a criminal offence to be in possession of illegally taken salmon.

If you are offered wild Scottish salmon and they do not have a carcass tag attached, then do not accept them.

Should you be offered any salmon which are not carcass tagged or you have any concerns about them then please report the matter in confidence to your local district salmon fishery board, the local fishery trust or to Police Scotland.

#### Contacts

#### North West District Salmon Fishery Board

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#### Police Scotland

Should you wish to report any suspected Salmon fishing offences you should do so by calling Police Scotland on 101.

Your local Wildlife Crime Liaison Officer can also be contacted at the following email address for further information:

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