Dear Hobby Potter,

Please read the new licence conditions before completing the application form on the reverse.

1. A recreational potter must not fish outside the three mile area of the Isle of Man territorial sea.

2. Recreational licences to fish for lobster and crab are not transferable.

3. The maximum number of pots which may be used is 5.

4. The maximum catch for any one day is two lobsters (but no more than seven lobsters per week) and five crabs. The licence holder must not take, kill, land or have in his possession more than this.

5. A recreational potter must not sell, expose for sale or offer for sale any lobster or crab.

6. No person shall lift, raise, haul or take fish from, re-bait or interfere with another person’s pot without prior permission from the Department.

7. Pots must have an unobstructed escape gap as detailed in the Sea Fisheries (Lobster and Crab) (Recreational Licensing) Regulation 2015.

8. A recreational potter must not use a stock cage.

9. Pots must be attached to a float or marker which is clearly marked with the licence number.

10. A recreational potter must not take, kill, land or have in their possession at sea or in the Island:
    • an edible crab carrying spawn
    • an edible crab which has recently cast its shell
    • a lobster carrying spawn or
    • a mutilated or V notched lobster

11. A recreational potter must not land in the Island a detached claw of an edible crab or a detached tail or claw of a lobster.

12. A Catch Return form for the period 1 January to 31 December each year must be returned to the Department by 30 April of the following year. A licence will not be renewed without receipt of Catch Returns and, if provided after 30 April, a new licence fee will become due.

13. If fishing in the Baie Ny Carrickey Closed Area, Catch Returns must be made on a monthly basis.

14. Minimum Landing Sizes (MLS) for crab and lobster must be complied with. Currently, this is a carapace length of 87mm for lobster and carapace width of 130mm for crab, except when fishing within the Baie ny Carrickey Closed Area where the MLS for lobster is 90mm carapace length and the Maximum Landing Size limit for lobster is 120mm carapace length. The Minimum Landing Size for crab within the Baie ny Carrickey Closed Area is 135mm carapace width.

Application for a recreational licence to fish for lobsters & crabs 2015 - 2018

Please read the following carefully and complete each section. Failure to complete these sections correctly or provide sufficient information may delay the processing of your application. Please complete in BLOCK CAPITALS and black ink.

Quoting Ref: SF201.2.001HBY
Your Ref:

Section 1 Applicant Details (please state n/a where you do not have a vessel)

Applicant Name

Vessel Name and Number (if applicable)

Applicant Address

Telephone Number

Email Address

Postcode

Please indicate the areas (ports) where you are likely to be fishing

Please note that specific conditions relate to fishing in the Baie ny Carrickey Closed Area.

Section 2 Administration Fee

Please provide a cheque for £30, made payable to the Isle of Man Government.

For office use only

Date Received:  Date Entered:

Section 3 Declaration (to be signed by the applicant)

Personal Information
The Department of Environment, Food & Agriculture is a controller under the Data Protection Act 2018 and will hold your personal information to comply with its legal obligations under the Fisheries Act 2012. Your personal information will be held by DEFA for the purposes of processing this application.

• Some of the information you provide may be shared within DEFA, if it will help fulfil other statutory obligations or functions carried out in the public interest.
• For details about how your information may be used, retained, amended or deleted please see our privacy notice at www.gov.im/fisheries
• To enquire about personal data use, contact the DEFA Data Protection Officer on 686781, or by email at DPO-DEFA@gov.im
• You have the right to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner (IC) if you think the department is acting outside of the Data Protection Act 2018. The IC can be contacted here https://www.inforights.im

I declare that the information provided is correct to the best of my knowledge, and request the provision of a recreational licence to fish for crabs and lobsters. I have read the conditions set out overleaf and understand that I must comply with them at all times.

Signature of Applicant:  Date:

Please complete this form, and return it to the address below, together with payment for the licence.

Fisheries Directorate
Department of Environment, Food and Agriculture,
Thie Slieau Whallian, Foxdale Road,
St. Johns, Isle of Man, IM4 3AS

Tel: (01624) 685857  Fax: (01624) 685851  Email: fisheries@gov.im