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**PEARLING ACT 1990**

**PEARLING (ANNUAL FEES) NOTICE 2021**

FD 1201

Made by the Minister under section 27.

**1. Citation**

This notice is the *Pearling (Annual Fees) Notice 2021*.

**2. Interpretation**

In this notice, unless the contrary intention appears—

**quota unit** means the number of units specified on—

- (a) a pearling (wildstock) licence, in respect of a Zone or Zones; or
- (b) a pearling (seeding) licence;

**regulation** means a reference to the *Pearling (General) Regulations 1991*.

**3. Annual fees for farm leases**

For the purposes of section 27(1)(a) of the Act the annual fee for the year ending 31 December 2021 in respect of—

- (a) a farm lease is \$3,169.23 per square nautical mile;
- (b) a Zone 1 pearling (wildstock) licence is \$266.97 per quota unit;
- (c) a Zone 2 and Zone 3 pearling (wildstock) licence is \$658.16 per quota unit;
- (d) a Zone 3 pearling (wildstock) licence is \$658.16 per quota unit;
- (e) a pearling (seeding) licence is \$115.96 per quota unit;
- (f) a hatchery licence is \$316.00;
- (g) a pearling permit is \$76.00; and
- (h) a hatchery permit is \$76.00.

**4. Payment by instalments**

(1) For the purposes of regulation 9A, the annual fee for a farm lease, pearling (wildstock) licence, pearling (seeding) licence, or hatchery licence may be paid by instalments as specified in the Schedule to this notice if—

- (a) an election to pay by instalments is made by the holder of the lease in accordance with subclause (2); and
- (b) no other fee, charge or levy in respect of the relevant lease is payable at the time the election is received.

(2) An election made for the purposes of subclause (1) must be—

- (a) in writing;
- (b) received at the head office of the Department prior to the commencement of the period to which the election relates; and
- (c) accompanied by the first instalment and the surcharge.

(3) For the purposes of regulation 9A(2), the surcharge is 3.13% of the annual fee.

**Schedule**

Payment by Instalments

- (a) The first instalment is 10% of the relevant annual fee and is due for payment on or before 1 January of the year for which the lease is issued or renewed.
- (b) The second instalment is 35% of the annual fee and is due for payment on or before 1 April immediately following the period specified in paragraph (a).
- (c) The third instalment is 55% of the annual fee and is due for payment on or before 1 July immediately following the period specified in paragraph (a).

Dated the 5th day of December, 2020.

P. TINLEY, Minister for Fisheries.