

Mr. Charles Azzopardi,
Azzopardi Fisheries,
Mosta Road,
St Paul's Bay

Subject: Temporary Clearance for removal of internal booms

Dear Mr. Charles Azzopardi,

Reference is made to the request for the temporary removal of the internal booms surrounding each cage at the fish farm designated site as per EP 05/21 in view of foreseen adverse weather conditions.

The Environment and Resources Authority has no objection to the temporary removal of the internal booms and is issuing this clearance subject to the following conditions:

1. This clearance is valid until 28th February 2022 or until such time that the above conditions are considered as part of a variation to the permit.
2. No feeding shall take place during adverse weather conditions.
3. Once feeding re-commences, clean up vessels equipped with contingency equipment shall remain on site monitoring and cleaning up as required in order to immediately remediate any residual oils emanated during the operational season.
4. Should it be noted that in spite of reduced feeding, oily residues are still emanating from the on-site operations, the booms shall be immediately redeployed for use during good weather conditions
5. With the exception of condition 2.2.6 in EP 05/21, all other conditions shall remain valid and must be strictly adhered to.
6. All monitoring carried out by ERA shall be at the expense of the Permit Holder.
7. This clearance may be withdrawn at any time by the ERA and is without prejudice to any other condition or authorisation that is required by any other entity and/or regulator.



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