

Reporting Form (MMR 01 v1)

Use of Non-lethal Containment Measures to deter Marine Mammals including the use of Acoustic Deterrent Devices (“ADDs”)

Background – Section 3 of the Aquaculture Code of Practice on the Containment of and Prevention of Escape of Fish on Fish Farms in relation to Marine Mammal Interactions dated 21 September 2021 (the “Code”) sets out the reporting requirements on the use of containment measures for the purposes of managing interactions with marine mammals.

In accordance with the mandatory standards in Section 3.2 of the Code, Aquaculture Production Businesses must report all use of containment measures to deter marine mammals on an annual basis to Marine Scotland. This form can be used for the purpose of fulfilling this reporting requirement.

This reporting requirement applies to every fish farm site. If sites have a nil return this must be reported except for freshwater sites that do not use any marine mammal containment measures. The form should be submitted to Marine Scotland using the following contact details: email: marinemammalreporting@gov.scot; post: Marine Scotland, Mailpoint 11, 1B South, Victoria Quay, Edinburgh EH6 6QQ; telephone: 0300 244 4000.

Site ID No. (authorisation to operate under the Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009, including ‘FS’ part)	
Date (DD/MM/YYYY)	

Q1. What containment measures related to marine mammal interactions do you currently employ at your site?

- Toughened / reinforced pen netting (including High-Density Polyethylene (HDPE) pen net)
- Secondary anti-predator netting attached to pen
- Acoustic deterrent device (ADD)
- Dead fish removal system (automated or manual, such as Dead Fish Baskets)
- False bottom on pen net
- Seal blind on pen net or other measures to conceal fish
- Tensioned pen net

Q2. Do you currently use ADDs at your site?

- Yes
- No