

Location	Harvest method	Species	Named in the SCE Act?	Volume	part of plant removed	Permissions	Frequency of harvest	MS Marine Licence currently required?	Rationale
Lewis and Harris	Hand and Mechanical using modified boat with cutter.	Ascophyllum	No	up to 11,500 wet tonnes P.A on CES foreshore, additional tonnage on private, community land unknown	above the meristem as per SNH advice on mechanical cutting in 2009 (that the company remain within CES licence conditions).	CES licence also private landlords outwith CES foreshore, permissions and biomass on private/community land unknown	Year round, weather and tides permitting	No.	Cutting the seaweed is not a deposit or a removal of a substance from the seabed with a vehicle or vessel nor removal by dredging under the M(S)A 2010. However, given the scale of harvest and that some holdfasts / rocks may be removed as a consequence of the harvest, consideration of whether a ML / or alternative should be required, should be discussed.
North Uist	Hand and manual from boat using a rake.	Ascophyllum	No	thought to be in the region of 2100 WT in 2018 but projected to have increased significantly	above the meristem as per SNH advice. Follow SNH good practice guidance.	Private landlord and SNH consents under Nature Conservation Act (within SSSIs only); HRA to carried out for relevant Natura interests for consents and management area as a whole.	Year round, weather and tides permitting	No.	Not a deposit or a removal of a substance from the seabed with a vehicle or vessel nor removal by dredging
North Uist	Hand from a RIB	H. elongata	No	9 wet tonnes	Unusual morphology, reproductive fronds make up 98% of the seaweed's biomass; harvest above the button. H. elongata rapidly recruits to cleared areas.	CES licence	April to October	No.	Not a deposit or a removal of a substance from the seabed with a vehicle or vessel nor removal by dredging
Skye	Hand	range of intertidal species	Potentially some species	5-6 wet tonnes	Follow SNH good practice guidance.	CES licence	All year round	No.	Not a deposit or a removal of a substance from the seabed with a vehicle or vessel nor removal by dredging
Summer Isles	Hand	3 intertidal species	Potentially some species	100kg of 3 species	Follow SNH good practice guidance including cutting above the meristem.	Private landlord	All year round	No.	Not a deposit or a removal of a substance from the seabed with a vehicle or vessel nor removal by dredging
Ardnamurchan	Hand	few intertidal species	Potentially some species	Unspecified small amount (range: tens of kilos)	advice provided to avoid flame shell beds. Follow SNH good practice guidance including cutting above the meristem.	Private landlord		No.	Not a deposit or a removal of a substance from the seabed with a vehicle or vessel nor removal by dredging
Firth of Lorn; Argyll islands including Luing and the Garvellachs	Hand harvesting, including from a boat	9 species	Potentially some species	9 tonnes (1 of each) per year	Follow SNH good practice guidance including cutting above the meristem.	Private landlord and CES	All year round	No.	Not a deposit or a removal of a substance from the seabed with a vehicle or vessel nor removal by dredging
Caithness	Hand harvesting	No species determined	Potentially some species	Total quota is thousands wet tonnes per annum (based on 20% total shore biomass). Current level (2019) is less than 100 wet tonnes	No species determined Follow SNH good practice guidance including cutting above the meristem.	CES or private landlord across a number of sections of shore.	All year round	No.	Not a deposit or a removal of a substance from the seabed with a vehicle or vessel nor removal by dredging
Fife coast	Hand harvesting, possibly using a boat	P. Palmata	No	305 wet tonnes	Follow SNH good practice guidance including cutting above the meristem.	CES Licence	P. palmata growing season (May-Oct)	N	Not a deposit or a removal of a substance from the seabed with a vehicle or vessel nor removal by dredging
Fife Coast	Hand harvesting	P. Palmata	No	100 wet tonnes	Follow SNH good practice guidance including cutting above the meristem.	CES Licence/Private landlord	P. palmata growing season (May-Oct)	N	Not a deposit or a removal of a substance from the seabed with a vehicle or vessel nor removal by dredging
Longniddry to Yelowcraigs, East Lothian	Hand harvesting	8 species including 3 kelps	Yes	less than 1 tonne in total	Follow SNH good practice guidance including cutting above the meristem.	CES (via Council regulating lease) and consent under NCA from SNH to harvest within SSSI	All year round		
Luce Bay, Wigtonshire	Hand harvesting/gathering of cast weed	Unknown	Possibly	In the region of 40 tonnes per annum	Follow SNH good practice guidance including cutting above the meristem.	Although the activity is taking place within a SAC, there is not underpinning SSSI. SNH carried out HRA with regard to the interests of the SAC and concluded no LSE. Not licenced by CES - foreshore subject to HLO to another party	Assumed year round		
Sanday, Orkney	Hand harvesting	11 species	Yes	Less than 1 wet tonne per annum	Follow SNH good practice guidance including cutting above the meristem.	CES/Private landlord	All year round		

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Hunterston Power station	Removal using a vessel for operational reasons	Various species	Yes	300 wet tonnes (most recent application)	whole plant including holdfast	Advice provided for licence applications (x2) and subsequent monitoring	Annual campaign	Yes	removal of a substance from the seabed with a vehicle or vessel and/ or removal by dredging
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