

Direct landing requirements for EU (including RoI) registered vessels landing into NI

Direct landings by fishing vessels registered in EU (including RoI) are subject to the North East Atlantic Fisheries Commission (NEAFC) obligations and authorisations when landing in Northern Ireland from 01 January 2021. Landings are **restricted to NEAFC designated ports** and vessels must **submit a NEAFC PSC form** for authorisation to land.

From 1st February 2021 the list of NI NEAFC designated ports includes:

- Londonderry
- Belfast
- Bangor
- Portavogie
- Ardglass
- Kilkeel
- Warrenpoint

NEAFC Prior Notification process and authorisation procedure:

- ✓ EU vessels will need to land fish into one of the **NI designated ports listed above**, under [NEAFC regulations](#)
- ✓ Register your vessel with **NEAFC Port State Control** system [here](#)
- ✓ Submit a **NEAFC Port state Control form** (PSC1 or PSC2)* [here](#). This must be done **72 hours before landing for frozen** or **4hrs before landing for fresh** fish. NEAFC are responsible for onward submission to Fisheries Monitoring Centre (UKFMC)

**If the PSC1 or PSC2 forms are filled out incorrectly, this may result in delays to landing and resubmission of the forms may be required in order to land.*

There are no new food safety requirements (SPS checks) for EU/RoI-flagged vessels with their port of registration in the EU (EU-registered vessels) when landing fishery products into NI ports. This is the case regardless of the location from which those products are caught.

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