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Planning permission	Granting of development consents for land based fish farms	Local	See relevant local authority
	under the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning)	Authorities	
Charges apply	(England) Regulations 2012 as amended		https://www.gov.uk/find-your-local-council
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Target times = 8 weeks minor, 13 weeks major or 16 weeks if EIA required.			https://www.gov.uk/planning-permissions-for- farms/when-you-need-it
Processes and consultees when planning requires a	n EIA. HRA or other Environmental consent.		idinis/ when you need it
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Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)	The local authorities will consult with relevant statutory	Local	See relevant local authority
	consultees on specific environmental impacts of development	Authorities	1.00
	proposals under the Town and Country Planning		https://www.gov.uk/find-your-local-council
	(Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017		
			http://planningguidance.planningportal.gov.uk/blog
			/guidance/environmental-impact-assessment/
Habitats Risk Assessments (HRA) When an EIA is	The Local Authority consults assess if there are any Likely	Natural England	
not required but site falls within a European &	Significant Effects (LSE) on European sites or Ramsars. If none it	& JNCC	https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/u
Ramsar conservation site.	can proceed. If an LSE then an appropriate assessment is		ploads/attachment data/file/69580/pb13809-
	required under the Conservation of Habitats and Species		<u>habitats-guidance.pdf</u>
	Regulations 2017. This is carried out by the applicant then		
	assessed and conditioned by the Local authority after		
	consulting with NE & JNCC.		
Water Framework Directive	The Local authority will work closely with the Environment	Environment	http://planningguidance.planningportal.gov.uk/blog
	Agency (the competent Authority for WFD) and will be advised	agency.	/guidance/water-supply-wastewater-and-water-
	of any likely effects before issuing planning permission. Water		<u>quality/water-supply-wastewater-and-water-quality-</u>
	Framework Directive (2000/60/EC). The Water Environment		considerations-for-planning-applications/
	(Water Framework Directive) (England and Wales) Regulations		
	2003		



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Marine licence	Licensing of marine activities under the Marine and Coastal	Marine	Marine Licensing Team
	access Act (2009). Responsible for screening activities to see if	Management	
An aquaculture facility pumping water ashore	a licence is required.	Organisation	0300 123 1032
would require a licence for pumping / pipework	(See section 66 part 4.)		
and associated works that fall below Mean High			marine.consents@marinemanagement.org.uk
water Springs.	The MMO will make marine licensing decisions in accordance		
	with the appropriate marine policy document (marine policy		https://www.gov.uk/make-a-marine-licence-
Covers developments out to 200NM.	statement and marine plan where adopted). Applicants should		application#overview
	consider how their proposal is in accordance with marine plans		
Charges Apply, Two hours free consultation	and the Marine Policy Statement, and document this within an		https://www.gov.uk/do-i-need-a-marine-
	application for an aquaculture facility to the relevant regulator.		<u>licence#aquaculture</u>
Target Time = 13 weeks after validation of			
application			
Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)	Annex II of the Marine Works (Environmental Impact	Marine	Marine Licensing Team
	Assessment) Regulations 2007 as amended. Applications will	Management	
	need screening against the above Annex to check if an EIA is	Organisation	0300 123 1032
	required (mainly sections 1 (f) and (g))		
			marine.consents@marinemanagement.org.uk
			https://www.gov.uk/marine-licensing-impact-
			assessments#environmental-impact-assessment
Water Abstraction & Discharge Licences	Abstraction and Discharges under Environmental permitting	Environment	03708 506 506
	regulations (England & Wales) 2010	agency	
Charges apply			enquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk
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Target time = 13 weeks subject to exceptions.			https://www.gov.uk/environmental-
			management/water



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Authorisation to operate an Aquaculture	Authorisation of aquaculture production businesses (APBs)	Fish Health	01305 206700
Production Business	under the Aquatic Animal Health (England & Wales)	Inspectorate	
APB	Regulations 2009	(FHI)	FHI@cefas.co.uk
(An authorisation in principle may be available			https://www.gov.uk/fish-and-shellfish-farm-
before the APB is up and running)	N.B. Authorisation for APB, Import & Permitting of Alien		authorisation-and-registration
	species may all be dealt with as one by FHI in many cases.		
No charges			
Target time = 90 days including consultation			
Authorisation to import livestock	Authorisation to import livestock for aquaculture from EU or	Fish Health	01305 206700
	third countries under Aquatic animal health Directive 2006/88.	Inspectorate	
Required if seed stock are to be sourced from		(FHI)	FHI@cefas.co.uk
anywhere outside England, Wales or Scotland	N.B. Authorisation for APB, Import & Permitting of Alien		
No charges	species may all be dealt with as one by FHI in many cases.		https://www.gov.uk/import-or-export-live-fish-and-
			<u>shellfish</u>
Target time = 15 to 90 days			
Permitting farming of alien species.	Permitting under the Alien and Locally Absent Species in	Fish Health	01305 206700
	Aquaculture (England & Wales) Regulations 2011.	Inspectorate	
No administration charges but potentially		(FHI)	FHI@cefas.co.uk
significant charges to industry to carry out risk			
assessments.			https://www.gov.uk/introduce-or-keep-non-native-
	N.B. Authorisation for APB, Import & Permitting of Alien		<u>fish-and-shellfish</u>
Target time = 15 to 90 days	species may all be dealt with as one by FHI in many cases.		



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Approval to manufacture medicated Feed	EC Directive 90/167 laying down the conditions for the	Veterinary	01932 336911
	preparation, placing on the market and use of medicated	Medicines	
Required where veterinary medicines are to be	feeding-stuffs.	Directorate	inspections@vmd.defra.gsi.gov.uk
mixed into or onto feed for feeding to the			
farmer's own fish.	EU Regulation (EC) No 183/2005 laying down requirements for		https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/vet
	feed hygiene		<u>erinary-medicines-directorate</u>
Charges apply			
	Protects animal health, human health and the environment.		https://www.gov.uk/guidance/manufacturing-and-
Conditional approval available			supplying-veterinary-medicines-for-animal-feed
Target time = 10 working days to validate the			
application + 30 working days for on-site			
approval inspection.			
Transporter authorisation	Welfare in Transport.	Animal and	See link for relevant area.
	The Welfare of Animals (Transport) (England) Order 2006	Plant Health	
		Agency (APHA)	https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ani
Animal Transport Certificates (ATC)	Type 1 transporter authorisation required for journey over		mal-and-plant-health-agency/about/access-and-
(ATC can be covered by FHI records)	65km up to 8 hours		<u>opening</u>
	Type 2 transporter authorisation required for journeys over 8		https://www.gov.uk/farm-animal-welfare-during-
	hours		<u>transportation</u>
			https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/appli
			<u>cation-for-a-united-kingdom-animal-transporter-</u>
			authorisation-for-type-1-authorisations-valid-for-
			journeys-over-65km-and-up-to-8-hours



			https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/application-for-a-united-kingdom-animal-transporter-authorisation-for-type-2-authorisations-valid-for-all-journeys-including-over-8-hours
On Farm welfare	Welfare of fish on farms is required by European Council Directive 98/58/EC and is covered by The Animal Welfare Act 2006, The Aquatic Animal Health (England and Wales) Regulations 2009. Welfare at slaughter is defined in European Council Regulation No. 1099/2009 and is currently implemented in England and Wales by The Welfare of Animals (Slaughter and Killing) Regulations 1995.	Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA)	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/fawc-advice-on-farmed-fish-welfare

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Disposal of mortalities	Disposal of fish mortalities under Council Regulation EC	Regulation via	
	1069/2009 on animal by-products. Fish which died from	Local	https://www.gov.uk/managing-your-waste-an-
	disease are defined as Category II material, which must be	authorities	<u>overview</u>
	disposed of in accordance with Article 13 of EC 1069/2009.		