

Bass Fishing Plymouth Rivers Tamar & Plym

Fishing for bass from any vessel is **prohibited all year** in all tidal waters enclosed by a line drawn from the **Western end of Mountbatten Pier in the River Plym 268° true to the landing beacon at Wilderness Point in the River Tamar.**

Fishing for bass, or fishing for any species of sea-fish using sand-eels as bait, by any fishing boat within any part of the above area is **prohibited all year.**

The prohibition on bass fishing in nursery areas does not apply to fishing from the shore. However it is expected that shore anglers and their associations will respect the need for this prohibition and return to the sea any bass caught within nursery areas.

Fishing for Profit

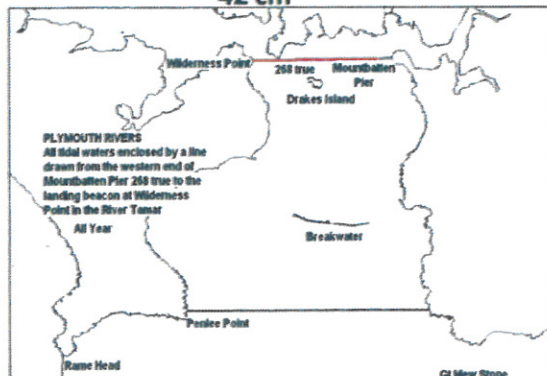
Any UK owned vessel fishing for profit must be registered as a fishing vessel under **part 2 of The Merchant Shipping Act 1995.**

Minimum Landing Sizes

Any bass landed, stored, sold, displayed or offered for sale must be at least **42 cm** in length as measured from the tip of the snout to the end of the tail fin. Any bass retained on board a vessel or transhipped must also exceed **42 cm**. These provisions apply to both commercial fishermen and anglers alike. **Any bass below 42 cm must be returned immediately to the sea.**



42 cm



Useful numbers

Marine Management Organisation,
Brixham: 01803 853383.
D&S IFCA 24/7 duty phone: 07740 175479.

Bag Limit

New legislation is in place from 1st January to 30th June 2017 which implements **catch and release only** for bass in tidal waters.

From 1st July to 31st December 2017 fishers are restricted to a daily catch limit of **1 bass per person** in tidal waters.

This measure applies to all recreational fishers using *any* capture method from the shore and from boats.

Enforcement

Responsibility for the enforcement of the measures outlined above rests with the Marine Management Organisation, assisted by the officers of Devon and Severn IFCA who are empowered to enforce both national and community conservation measures.

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