



INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

FISH 1 APP TRIAL



SCOTTISH INSHORE FISHERIES INTEGRATED DATA SYSTEMS (SIFIDS)[†]: ABOUT THE PROJECT

The SIFIDS project team have been working with fishers and regulators to develop a **simple, FREE (Android) mobile phone App** that could both benefit fishermen and contribute to the industry's long-term sustainability and profitability.

Inshore fishermen are invited to trial this App during 2018*. Your feedback about the prototype App will be essential to identify what works well, or if improvements could be made. It will also help us understand how fishers may wish to view and use the data collected by the App. All information shared with the SIFIDS team via the App will be treated in strict confidence and stored securely.

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*Trial will run from September 2018 to February 2019

WHAT CAN THE APP DO?

SUBMIT FISH1 DATA

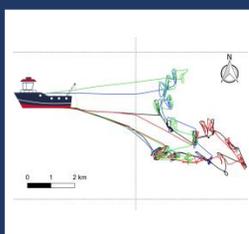
The App's e-FISH1 form will allow vessel owners to record voyage and landings information, and email it directly to their Fishery Office (trial agreed by Marine Scotland). The app adds saved information to the form (like PLN) and, if you use the GPS tracker, the Lat/Long and ICES rectangle for your first haul will be inserted automatically! The e-FISH1 form is only for owners of vessels 10m and under (***Please see note regarding Compliance, page 2).**

RECORD VESSEL TRACKS

Fishers can also record GPS tracks of their trips and securely share data with only SIFIDS researchers who are trying to identify new and cost-effective methods to gather information on fishing activities for marine planning and fisheries management. Past vessel tracks can be stored within the App for you to view.

RECORD MARINE LIFE

Quickly record your sightings of marine mammals, unusual fish, octopus and other animals as these might indicate changes in the ecosystem, or steer research priorities.





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***COMPLIANCE AND THE USE OF THE e-FISH 1 FORM DURING THE TRIAL**

*Whilst on the trial all vessel owners are reminded of their legal obligation to complete a FISH1 form (landing declaration for the vessel to which this licence relates) in respect of all landings of all species and submit it to the Fishery Office at which the vessel is administered, within 48 hours of the conclusion of the *fishing week. (*A fishing week runs from 0001 hours on Sunday to 2359 hours on Saturday.). The e-Fish1 form must be submitted by the vessel owner. If returns are not provided then the vessel owner is accountable and Marine Scotland Compliance can take enforcement action. All vessel owners who use the e-FISH 1 form during the trial must notify their Fishery Office when they start using the App.*

† The European Maritime and Fisheries Fund (EMFF) has allocated £1.51 million of funding to support research into the development of an integrated system for the collection, collation, analysis and interrogation of data from the Scottish inshore fishing fleet, known as the SIFIDS Project.