

BALUCHISTAN SEA FISHERIES RULES, 1971

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No. SOA (IV) 26/70 Fish.—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 17 of the Baluchistan Sea Fisheries Ordinance, 1971 (Baluchistan Ordinance No. IX of 1971), the Governor of Baluchistan is pleased to make the following rules, namely :—

1. *Short title and commencement.*—(1) These rules may be called the Baluchistan Sea Fisheries Rules, 1971.

(2) These rules shall come into force at once.

2. *Definitions.*—(1) In these rules unless the context otherwise requires the following expressions shall have the meaning hereby assigned to them that is to say :—

(a) "Application form" means the application form appended to these rules;

(b) "Fee" means a fee prescribed under these rules ;

(c) "Licence" means a licence granted under these rules ;

(d) "Offence" means an offence punishable under the Ordinance ;

(e) "Ordinance" means the Baluchistan Sea Fisheries Ordinance, 1971 ;

(f) "Section" means a section of the Ordinance ;

(2) Expressions not defined herein shall have the same meaning as assigned to them by the Baluchistan Sea Fisheries Ordinance, 1971.

3. *Prohibition and Licensing of fishing.*—(1) Any person desirous of operating a fishing craft in Baluchistan Waters shall apply for a licence, to the Licensing Authority in the form appended to these rules ;

(2) The Licensing Authority may grant a licence in the form appended to these rules. The licence shall be granted within one week of submitting the application unless the Licensing Authority, for sufficient cause in writing, refuses to grant it.

4. *Fee for a licence.*—Fee for a licence shall be chargeable as given in the Schedule I annexed to these rules.

5. *Duration of Validity of a licence.*—A licence shall be valid for the calendar year in which it is issued, irrespective of the date of issue.

6. *Renewal of licence.*—The licence shall be renewable on payment of the fee prescribed under rule 4 within one month of the expiry of its validity. If a licence is not renewed within the prescribed period, the Licensing Authority may renew it on payment of penalty equal to one-fourth of the prescribed fee, which shall be in addition to the prescribed fee.

7. *Production of Licence for Inspection.*—A holder of a licence shall on demand, produce the same for inspection by a Fishery Officer.

8. *Duplicate Licence.*—The Licensing Authority may issue a duplicate copy of a Licence on payment of a fee of one rupee if the original licence is lost or damaged.

9. *Protection of fish in selected water.*—A licence granted under these rules does not authorise the licensee to fish within a distance of three miles of the sea coasts in bays of Sonmiani, Ormara, Kalimat, Pasni, Jiwani and Gwadar, except by special permission of the Fishery Officer.

10. *Catching Device.*—No licence-holder shall employ any device for catching shrimps under 2½" size and lobsters under 7" size. Further that no female lobsters loaded with eggs shall be landed.

11. *Protection of nets used by small fisherman.*—No owner of a fishing craft or any other person employed in this behalf, shall damage, wilfully or otherwise any net set by any other fisherman, or cause disruption in fishing by such fisherman.

12. *Furnishing of fishing data.*—The licence-holders of fishing crafts shall furnish, when called upon to do so by the Licensing Authority, or any Fishery Officer factual data regarding the area fished out, gear used and the type and quality of fish caught, for the catch being landed.

13. *Beheading shrimps and care in transit.*—The fishermen catching shrimps by trawlers or otherwise on the authority of a licence granted under these rules and awaiting transportation over short or long distance for processing shall immediately behead the catch and preserve it hygienically under shade in case of sail boats and in ice fish holds in the case of trawlers and mechanised boats.

14. *Registration of Curing Yards and Plants.*—All privately owned fish Curing Yards and fish processing plants operating on commercial basis on Baluchistan coast shall be registered with the Licensing Authority.

15. *Curing of fish at places other than a registered curing yard an offence.*—Curing of fish at places other than a registered curing yard shall be an offence under the Ordinance.

16. *Conditions for operating curing yards.*—A Fish Curing Yard shall be registered on application in the form in Schedule III appended to these rules, if the following conditions are satisfied :—

- (i) Prescribed fee has been duly deposited ;
- (ii) Raised platforms are provided for drying the fish ;
- (iii) Sufficient water is provided for fish washing ;
- (iv) Fish curing tanks are constructed above ground level and are internally cement plastered ;
- (v) Drainage is provided from the curing tanks and the fish washing points, to soak pits outside the curing yard or to the drainage system of the local area ; if provided ; and
- (vi) Ventilated covered storage space is available for the dried fish.

17. *Withdrawal of registration if provisions of Rule 16 not complied.*—
 (1) The Licensing Authority may withdraw the registration of a fish curing yard if it ceases to operate in accordance with all or any of the conditions laid down in rule 16 :

Provided that no order of withdrawal of registration shall be issued under this rule, unless the owner or operator of such curing yard has been called upon through a month's notice in writing to comply with the conditions laid down in rule 16.

(2) This rule shall come into force after the expiry of 90 days of the coming into force of these rules.

18. *Fee on finished Product.*—The final product of a fish curing yard shall be liable to payment of fee prescribed in Schedule II annexed to these rules.

Proviso : Provided that this rule shall be applicable from such date as the Government by official Notification, appoints in this behalf.

19. *Operation of mechanical processing plants.*—The mechanical processing plants shall be operated according to the conditions laid down by the Licensing Authority.

20. *Appeal.*—Appeal shall lie against all orders passed under the Ordinance and these rules to the Secretary, Agriculture Department, Government of Baluchistan.

SCHEDULE I

[See rule 4]

SCHEDULE OF RATES FOR FEES CHARGEABLE FOR OPERATING
 A FISHING CRAFT

	Per boat Rs.
(i) Gillnet launch/Trawler/fish carrier vessel over 55' length.	150.00
(ii) Gillnet launch/trauler/fish carrier vessel under 55' length	120.00
(iii) Batel/ Rachin 50' in length	50.00
(iv) Rachin 35' in length.	40.00
(v) Rachin under 35' in length	30.00
(vi) Ikdar	30.00
(vii) Kattis	10.00

SCHEDULE II

[See rule 18]

FINAL PRODUCT FEE

The fee for the issue of a final product certificate shall be Re. 1 per cwt. of approved finished products.

SCHEDULE III

[See rule 16]

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF CURING YARD

Directorate of Fisheries, Government of Baluchistan

- Name of owner with father's name and full address

2. Name of Station
3. Licence required to operate New/Old curing yard
4. General layout of the curing yard
5. *Store Room.*
 - (i) Length
 - (ii) Breadth
 - (iii) Height
 - (iv) Number of rooms
6. *Curing Tanks.*
 - (i) Length
 - (ii) Breadth
 - (iii) Height
 - (iv) Number of tanks
7. *Fish Drying Racks.*
 - (i) Length
 - (ii) Breadth
 - (iii) Height
 - (iv) Number of tanks
8. Registration fee paid Rs.

I hereby solemnly affirm that the statement given above by me is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and that I shall abide by all the provisions of the Baluchistan Sea Fisheries Ordinance, 1971, and the rules framed thereunder.

Signature/L. T.-I. of the applicant.

DIRECTORATE OF FISHERIES, GOVERNMENT
OF PAKISTAN

Licence to Operate Private Curing Yard

[Rule 16]

1. Name of licensee
2. Father's name and full address
3. Name of Fishing station
4. Curing yard Registration No.
5. Licence No.
6. Validity of the licence from... ..to.....
7. Fee paid Rs.....
8. Date of issuing licence

Permission is hereby granted to the licensee to operate his own curing yard subject to the conditions laid down in the rules framed under the Baluchistan Sea Fisheries Ordinance, 1971.

Inspector of Fisheries,
Government of Baluchistan.

Conditions under which the licence is issued

1. The licence is not transferable without permission.
2. Permission to operate the curing yard is given subject to improvements laid down under rules.

3. The inspection fee will be paid in cash on the day of inspection and issue of certificate.

4. The instructions given by the Inspecting Officer to improve the curing yard, its hygiene and quality of products will be fully carried out.

Inspector of Fisheries,
Government of Baluchistan.

DIRECTORATE OF FISHERIES, GOVERNMENT OF
BALUCHISTAN

APPLICATION FORM

(Rule 3 (1))

For Operating a Craft for the period.....

1. Name of applicant.
2. Father's Name and address.
3. Name of Fishing Station.
4. Type of Fishing boat/vessel.
 - (a) Mechanized.
 - (i) Gill netter.
 - (ii) Trawler.
 - (iii) Fish Carrier.
 - (b) Sail Boats: Ekdar/Rachin/Batel/Ketties.
5. Description of boat/vessel.

Hull—

 - (i) Overall length.feet.
 - (ii) Length.feet.
 - (iii) Breadth.feet.
 - (iv) Depth.feet.
6. Particulars of Engine (If Mechanized).
 - (i) Engine make.
 - (ii) Engine model.
 - (iii) Engine serial No.
 - (iv) Engine horse power.
7. Brand and patent Registration No. (if any).
8. Total tonnage capacity of the boat/vessel
9. Total crew strength
10. Fishing gear/lines to be used

I hereby solemnly affirm that the statement given above by me is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and I shall abide by all the rules and regulations enforced under the "Baluchistan Sea Fisheries Ordinance, 1971" and request to issue the licence on payment of fee amounting to Rs.....

Signature/L. T. I. of the applicant.

DIRECTORATE OF FISHERIES, GOVERNMENT OF
BALUCHISTAN

FISHING CRAFT OPERATION LICENCE

(Rule 3 (2))

(Not transferable)

1. Name of Licensee.
2. Father's Name.

3. Name of Fishing station.
4. Registration No. of boat/vessel
(allotted by Fisheries Deptt.).
5. Licence Number.
6. Validity of the Licence from.....to.....
7. Date of issue of licence.
8. Type of boat/vessel. Gillnetter/Trawler/
Sail boat.
9. Fee paid. Rs.....

Permission is hereby granted to the licensee for operating a fishing craft in Baluchistan waters subject to the provisions of the Baluchistan Sea Fisheries Ordinance and the rules made thereunder.

Inspector of Fisheries,
Government of Baluchistan.

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Conditions under which the Licence is issued

1. The licence is not transferable and shall be valid for one boat vessel only.
2. The licence must be carried by the licensee and produced on demand by any person authorised in this behalf.
3. The Licensee should conspicuously display the boat number on both sides of the vessel.
4. The Licensee shall not undertake fishing within a distance of three miles of the Sea Coasts in the bays of Sonmiani, Ormara, Kalimat, Pasni and Gwadar.

Inspector of Fisheries,
Government of Baluchistan.