



**Marine Scotland Intelligence Database**

Surveillance and Enforcement Branch

**Intelligence Report**

**DISSEMINATION**

MSIR Ref:

Grading Officer:

Date and Time of Report:

SOURCE EVALUATION	INTELLIGENCE EVALUATION	HANDLING CODE
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**Intelligence received on 28/10/2019 provides that:**  
Over the weekend 18 & 19 october on a fish farm in Orkney - 15- 20 seals were observed dead in a net that is used as a buffer to prevent seals getting at salmon pens.  
No further evidence available other than the "third" hand information supplied.



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[Redacted]	11/11/2019 16:21:52	<p>predator nets are still used in some fish farm sites and are designed to stop seals attacking and killing or damaging salmon . they form a protective barrier to prevent the seals from accessing the inner netting in which the salmon swim. They are not designed to kill seals. Part 6 of the Marine Scotland act states that “Killing, injuring or taking a live seal (intentionally or recklessly) is an offence” and goes on to list certain exemptions.</p> <p>Local officers have not heard of any such incidents . Unless the source comes back with more detailed information. We are unable to further investigate.</p>

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