



SUPPLEMENT No. 3

TO

THE CYPRUS GAZETTE No. 2564 OF 22ND JANUARY, 1937.

SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION.

No. 13. THE SPONGE FISHERY LAW, 1890.

ORDER IN COUNCIL No. 1726

MADE UNDER SECTION 11 (1).

H. R. PALMER,
Governor.

In exercise of the powers vested in him by section 11 (1) of the Sponge Fishery Law, 1890, and otherwise, and with the advice of the Executive Council, His Excellency the Governor is pleased to order and it is hereby ordered as follows :—

1. This Order may be cited as the Sponge Fishery Order, 1937, and shall come into operation from and after the 1st February, 1937.

2. The person appointed from time to time to be Inspector of Fisheries shall issue licences to fish for sponges within the territorial waters of Cyprus.

3. Licences may be issued at any time after the 1st day of June in any year and shall be in force until the 31st day of October of the year in which they are issued.

4. Licences shall be in the form in Schedule A or B as the case may be hereto and shall be subject to the provisions and conditions therein mentioned.

5. The following charges shall be made in respect of a licence :—

- (a) For each boat with harpoon (Kamaki) naked diving a fee of 10s. and 20% of the whole take of sponges.
- (b) For each boat fitted with diving apparatus a fee of £1 and 25% of the whole take of sponges.

6. The Inspector of Fisheries or such officer as he shall appoint shall keep the following records, namely—

- (a) Sponge Diaries.
- (b) Sponges sacked and sealed.
- (c) Daily work of boats.

Such records shall be in the Forms set forth in Schedule C hereto.

7. The Sponge Fishery Rules, 1931, published in the *Gazette* of the 13th March, 1931, and the Sponge Fishery (Amendment) Rules, 1932, published in the *Gazette* of the 6th May, 1932, are hereby cancelled.

SCHEDULE A.

No.....

10s.

LICENCE TO FISH FOR SPONGES WITH THE HARPOON (KAMAKI)
OR BY NAKED DIVING.

Office of Inspector of Fisheries, Famagusta.

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of

is hereby licensed to fish for sponges with the harpoon (Kamaki) or by naked diving, on the coast of Cyprus from the date of this licence until the day of 19 , subject to the conditions of the Sponge Fishery Law, 1890, and the Sponge Fishery Order, 1937, and to the conditions hereinafter contained.

2. All boats shall be seaworthy and well found in every particular to the satisfaction of the Inspector of Fisheries.

3. No sponges of less than four inches or greater than twelve inches in diameter shall be taken.

4. The Government of Cyprus at its own cost may appoint such officers as it pleases to accompany the boats and supervise fishing.

5. A person to whom a licence is granted to fish for sponges shall be a skilled sponge fisher and all employees shall be thoroughly trained in their respective duties :

Provided that the Inspector of Fisheries may by writing under his hand allow such number of apprentices as he may think fit to accompany a boat.

6. Such deposit boats as the Inspector of Fisheries shall deem necessary shall be allowed free of licence duty.

7. All sponges taken shall be properly cleaned by the Licensee and shall be delivered by him to the Inspector of Fisheries for safe custody at such times and places, within reasonable distance of the fishing ground, as shall be determined by the Inspector of Fisheries.

8. The Inspector of Fisheries shall advance, from time to time, to the Licensee, in respect of sponges delivered under the conditions of paragraph 7, such sums as he may require not being more than 25% of the value of the sponges so delivered as estimated by the Inspector of Fisheries, and the amount of the sums so advanced shall be accounted for in the final division of the sponges delivered to the Inspector of Fisheries.

9. On a day to be agreed upon by the Inspector of Fisheries and the Licensee, or as soon after the expiration of the licence as conveniently may be, the accounts shall be settled and the sponges divided in accordance with the Sponge Fishery Order, 1937, and the provisions of this licence.

Dated the day of

19

Inspector of Fisheries.

SCHEDULE B.

No.....

£1.

LICENCE TO FISH FOR SPONGES WITH MACHINE AND FERNEZ
DIVING APPARATUS.*Office of Inspector of Fisheries, Famagusta.*

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of

is hereby licensed to fish for sponges with machine or Fernez diving apparatus, on the coast of Cyprus from the date of this licence until the day of 19 , subject to the conditions of the Sponge Fishery Law, 1890, and the Sponge Fishery Order, 1937, and to the conditions hereinafter contained.

2. All boats shall be seaworthy and machines shall be in perfect condition to the satisfaction of the Inspector of Fisheries.

3. No trawling or scratching apparatus shall be used.

4. No sponges of less than four inches or greater than twelve inches in diameter shall be taken.

5. The Government of Cyprus at its own cost may appoint such officers as it pleases to accompany the boats and supervise fishing.

6. A person to whom a licence is granted to fish for sponges shall be a skilled sponge fisher and all employees shall be thoroughly trained in their respective duties: Provided that the Inspector of Fisheries may by writing under his hand allow such number of apprentices as he may think fit to accompany a boat.

7. Such deposit boats as the Inspector of Fisheries shall deem necessary shall be allowed free of licence duty.

8. All sponges taken shall be properly cleaned by the Licensee and shall be delivered by him to the Inspector of Fisheries for safe custody at such times and places within reasonable distance of the fishing ground, as shall be determined by the Inspector of Fisheries.

9. The Inspector of Fisheries shall advance, from time to time, to the Licensee, in respect of sponges delivered under the conditions of paragraph 8, such sums as he may require not being more than 25% of the value of the sponges so delivered as estimated by the Inspector of Fisheries, and the amount of the sums so advanced shall be accounted for in the final division of the sponges delivered to the Inspector of Fisheries.

10. On a day to be agreed upon by the Inspector of Fisheries and the Licensee, or as soon after the expiration of the licence as conveniently may be, the accounts shall be settled and the sponges divided in accordance with the Sponge Fishery Order, 1937, and the provisions of this licence.

Dated the day of

19

Inspector of Fisheries.

SCHEDULE C.

SPONGE DIARIES.

Owners of Boats.

Date	Fishery	Depth of the water fished in	Nature of bottom	State of sea	State of weather	Total	Remarks

SPONGES SACKED AND SEALED.

Date	No. of sack or mark	Sponges	Weight	Date of delivery to Customs	Remarks	Initials of sponge inspector

DAILY WORK OF BOATS.

Owners of Boats and Number of Sponges taken.

Date	Super-fine	Big	Second	Moderate	Small	Refuse	Total boats	Total sponges	Remarks

Ordered in Council, this 15th day of January, 1937.

(M.P. 1484/36.)

R. J. P. THORNE-THORNE,
Clerk of the Executive Council.