

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)
MANAGEMENT AND SURVEILLANCE DIVISION
DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES**

FISH LANDING COMPLEX SECTION

1. What is Fish Landing Complex ?

Fish Landing Complex is a place for commercial fishing vessel i.e. Purse-seiner and Trawler vessel to do loading and unloading of marine catch such as fish, prawn, crab and etc.

2. Who can enter the Fish Landing Complex ?

It is strictly for the fishing vessel crews and operators, and the authorized staff of the Department of Fisheries.

3. What are the facilities provided at the Fish Landing Complex ?

Fish Landing Complex has a few facilities for the fishing vessel operators such as :-

- a. Loading and unloading bay;
- b. Fish net barn;
- c. Fish net and equipment storage;
- d. Cold room and blast freezer;
- e. Ice maker;
- f. Water supply;
- g. Electricity;
- h. Car park.

4. Are the public allowed to enter the Fish Landing Complex and buy the fish ?

The public are not allowed to enter and buy the fish accept during Fisheries Carnival Day. It is only for loading and unloading activity of fishing vessel. Any selling and buying activity caught will be taken action by the Department of Fisheries Authority.

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LICENSING SECTION

1. What are the types of licences issued by the Department of Fisheries ?

They are four (4) types of licences issued by the Department of Fisheries such as :-

- 1.1 Import, Export and Transit Licence of Fish;
- 1.2 Fishing Gear Licence;
- 1.3 Fish Processing Licence;
- 1.4 Fish Culture Farm Licence.

2. Is it necessary to get permission or permit from the Department of Fisheries to import fishes and prawns for own consumption ?

Yes, valid permit issued by the Department of Fisheries are required to import or export of fish, prawn, crab and squid not exceeding six (6) kg for each category for personal use only with the administrative charges of B\$2.00 per permit and valid for two (2) weeks from the date of issued.

3. Is it necessary to have a fishing gear licence from the Department of Fisheries to fish from the land such as along the riverbank or along the beach using hook and line or fishing rod ?

Under the Fisheries Order 2009, all fishing gears used should be licenced. However, fishing from the land such as along the riverbank or along the beach using hook and line or fishing rod, such fish gear licences are not yet enforced for those areas.

4. Why Pacific White Shrimp (*Litopenaeus Vannamei*) are not allowed to be imported and transit within Brunei Darussalam ?

Pacific White Shrimp (*Litopenaeus Vannamei*) are not allowed to be imported or transit within Brunei Darussalam because they are considered as carrier of White Spot Syndrome Virus (WSSV) which can affect the development of aquaculture shrimp industry in Brunei Darussalam.

5. Is it necessary to have a licence to establish or organize sport fishing competition ?

Under the Fisheries Order 2009, valid licence issued by the Department of Fisheries are required to establish or organize sport fishing competition using hooks and lines or fishing rods with the fee of B\$50.00 for each licence or tournament.

6. How much is the licence fee to import, export and transit of fish for commercial use ?

The licence fee for import, export and transit of fish would be B\$20.00 per consignment.