

[Press release: Fourteen men fined for fishing without a licence](#)

The Environment Agency is reminding anglers of the importance of having a rod licence after successfully prosecuting fourteen men last month.

The anglers were caught committing the offences in 14 separate incidents across the North East in July, August and September last year, including three in Hexham, and one each in Bellingham, Harlow Hill and Wylam. They received combined fines of £3,749, including £1,784 in costs and £300 victim surcharge. All pleaded guilty with the exception of two who were found guilty in their absence.

Rachael Caldwell, Enforcement Team Leader at the Environment Agency, said:

We've started the year as we mean to go on – taking strong action against illegal fishing.

The majority of anglers fish legally and purchase a rod licence. Those that don't are cheating their fellow anglers and endangering the future of the sport. In addition rod licence cheats risk a criminal conviction, a significant fine and could lose their fishing equipment.

The Environment Agency carries out enforcement work all year round. Fisheries enforcement work is intelligence-led, targeting known hot-spots and where illegal fishing is reported.

All income from rod licence sales is used to fund Environment Agency work to protect and improve fish stocks and fisheries, including improving habitats for fish and facilities for anglers, tackling illegal fishing and working with partners to encourage people to give fishing a go.

Buying a rod licence is quick and easy – you can buy them online at Gov.uk.

Anyone witnessing illegal fishing incidents in progress can report it directly to the Environment Agency hotline on 0800 80 70 60. Information on illegal fishing and environmental crime can also be reported anonymously to Crime stoppers on 0800 555 111.

Notice: ST6 4NU, Land Recovery Limited, EPR/PP3839YT/V003: environmental permit application advertisement

The Environment Agency consults the public on certain applications for waste operations, mining waste operations, installations, water discharge and groundwater activities. The arrangements are explained in its [Public Participation Statement](#)

These notices explain:

- what the application is about
- how you can view the application documents
- when you need to comment by

The Environment Agency will decide:

- whether to grant or refuse the application
 - what conditions to include in the permit (if granted)
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Notice: SN11 9JB, Faccenda Foods Limited: environmental permit issued

The Environment Agency publish surrenders that they issue under the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED).

This decision includes the surrender letter, decision document and site condition report evaluation template for:

- Operator name: Faccenda Foods Limited
 - Installation name: Lyneham Farm Poultry Unit
 - Permit number: EPR/XP3533UR/S005
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Corporate report: Environment Agency corporate scorecard quarter two, 2017 to 2018

The Environment Agency has 12 corporate measures. These are:

- the water environment is healthier
- we protect people, the environment and wildlife by reducing serious pollution incidents
- we create new habitats
- we reduce the number of high risk illegal waste sites
- we reduce the risk of flooding for more households
- we maintain our flood and coastal risk management assets at or above the target condition
- we have a first class incident response capability
- we manage our money efficiently to deliver our outcomes
- we respond to planning applications within 21 days
- we reduce our carbon footprint
- we have a diverse workforce
- we provide a safe place to work

Collection: Environment Agency corporate scorecard

Updated: Environment Agency corporate scorecard quarter four, 2017 to 2018 has been added.

Our corporate scorecard shows a high level overview of our performance against our environmental and business aims.

The scorecard is reported every 3 months to executive directors, the board, Defra, and is made public on GOV.UK.

Targets are set for each of these measures. For each measure, we show how we're currently performing and whether or not we're on track to achieve our target performance by the end of the year. Each measure has a more detailed 'insight report' that tells the story of how we're performing as well as showing trends and future forecasts.