

VIRGIN ISLANDS
FISHERIES (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2020
ARRANGEMENT OF REGULATIONS

Regulation

1. Citation.
2. Regulation 21 amended.
3. Regulation 23 amended.
4. Regulation 40A inserted.

VIRGIN ISLANDS

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT 2020 NO. 109

**FISHERIES ACT, 1997
(No. 4 of 1997)**

Fisheries (Amendment) Regulations, 2020

[Gazetted 24th September, 2020]

The Minister, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 79 of the Fisheries Act, 1997 (No.4 of 1997), makes these Regulations.

Citation.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Fisheries (Amendment) Regulations, 2020.

Regulation 21
amended.
S.I. 20 of 2003

2. The Fisheries Regulations 2003 (referred to in these Regulations as “the principal Regulations”) is amended in Regulation 21 as follows:

(a) by replacing subregulation (3)(b) with the following:

“(b) undersized, in relation to a lobster, means a

- (i) lobster larvae measuring less than 1 inch;
- (ii) lobster less than 3.5 inches in carapace length measured from the back of the shell;
- (iii) if the tail has been removed, a tail weight of less than 12 ounces.”.

(b) by inserting after subregulation (3) the following new subregulation:

“(4) Subregulations (1) and (2)(d) do not apply to any

- (a) undersized spiny lobster larvae which is in the possession of, or is removed from the fishery waters for or on behalf of a licensed aquaculture establishment in accordance with the terms and conditions of the aquaculture licence; or
- (b) spiny lobster which is reared by a licensed aquaculture establishment.”.

Regulation 23
amended.

3. Regulation 23 of the principal Regulations is amended by

(a) replacing in subregulation (2)(b) with the following:

- “(b) An immature conch means a
- (i) conch larvae measuring less than 1 inch;
 - (ii) conch with a shell which is smaller than 7 inches in length;
 - (iii) conch with a shell which does not have a flared lip;
 - (iv) conch with meat weight of less than 8 ounces.”.

(b) inserting after subregulation (3) the following new subregulation:

- “(4) Subregulation (1) does not apply to any
- (a) immature conch larvae which is in the possession of, or is removed from the fishery waters for or on behalf of a licensed aquaculture establishment in accordance with the terms and conditions of the aquaculture licence; or
 - (b) conch which is reared by a licensed aquaculture establishment.”.

Regulation
40A inserted.

4. The principal Regulations is amended by inserting immediately after Regulation 40 the following new regulation:

“Labelling of
farm-raised
fish .

40A. A licensed aquaculture establishment shall ensure that all its farm-raised fish and any other farmed fish products are clearly labelled with the words “farm-raised”.

Made by Minister this 8th day of September, 2020.

(Sgd.) Natalio D. Wheatley,
Minister for Education, Culture, Youth Affairs, Fisheries and Agriculture.