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STATES GREFFE

Dear Mr Oldham,

Some leisure anglers are selling their catch to the restaurants, I think the owner should also be on the restaurant owner. There is no point making bag limits unless it can be policed.

Bass are very slow growing fish, according to the British Marine Life Study Society the first years growth is only 90mm. I think the minimum size should be raised to 42 cms, this will enable the fish to be of spawning size.

NURSERY AREAS U.K.

Fishing for bass from any vessel is prohibited in 34 separate areas for all parts of the year.

IRELAND.

Only 2 bass per angler in anyone 24 hour period. Size limit 40 cms.

Closed season 15 May - 15 June.

I would like to suggest the following, closed season - to protect spawning, increase minimum size nursery areas to be protected.

As I mentioned, an area in Guernsey Bove Blondel has vast amounts of bass

travelling to this area at a certain time
only to end up on a plate.

The ray family are also slow growing
fish & I think the minimum size should
also be increased.

Don Thomson has said on T.V. it would
be a good idea if our commercial fisherman
changed to square mesh nets, to allow
the smaller fish to escape instead of
being crushed. I think this is a great
idea.

We have the law to prosecute leisure
anglers who sell their fish & I think
it's about time someone was taken to
court & the person purchasing the goods.

yours sincerely

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P.S. I am a leisure angler & boat owner. (by reg)