



NATIONAL SALMON SCALE PROJECT



Anglers can make a difference... Get Involved

2019 is the International Year of the Salmon and throughout the year a number of initiatives are being run to raise awareness of the dramatic decline in salmon stocks in the North Atlantic. Anglers have witnessed this decline first-hand, as, over the years, many of our rivers have become depleted of salmon with consequent restrictions on fishing.

As part of the International Year of the Salmon, Inland Fisheries Ireland (IFI) are encouraging anglers to get involved in a nationwide citizen science project to collect salmon (and sea trout) scales from their catches and submit them to the National Salmon Scale Archive (NSSA) hosted by IFI. This initiative aims to increase the scale resource available to researchers for ongoing scientific assessments to better understand the biology and ecology of Irish salmon and sea trout in our rivers. Scales provide important information on age/growth characteristics, and juvenile and marine life history. Scales can be taken from both retained and catch & release fish.

Click on the following link for further information on the project and see overleaf for details on how you can contribute: www.fisheriesireland.ie/salmonscales



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