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Transferable Fishing Concessions (TFC)

- Granted by the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
- Species covered: HER, SPR and SAL
- Based on the historical catch data of the actor
- Calculated from the median catch of the best three out of five years
- Expressed as a ‰- amount
- Max 200 ‰ of HER and SPR and 150 ‰ of SAL by commercial fisherman
- Valid for 10 years, starting from 1.1.2017
- Evaluation after 5 years with possible prolongation of 5 years



Non-transferable Fishing Concessions (N-TFC)

- Granted by the regional fishing authority, ELY-centre
- Species covered: HER and SAL
- Max. 4% of the quota
- Max 2 ‰ / commercial fisherman
- Valid for 5 years, starting from 1.1.2018



TFC evolution 2017 to 2019

Quota/ year	HER 30/31	HER 3D-R30	SPR	SAL 3BCD-F	SAL 3D32
2017 TFC	118	52	35	184	54
2018 TFC	116	52	35	182	53
2018 N-TFC	20	7	-	30	3
2019 TFC	111	48	31	186	52
2019 N-TFC	20	7	-	30	3



Individual transferable quotas (ITQ)

- Granted by ELY- centre yearly
- Based on TFC or N-TFC times yearly quota
- Fishermen can give an authorisation to fish their yearly quota
- If quotas are not used or transferred the TFC:s of the holder will be withdrawn by the State and distributed to holders of N-TFC:s
- Yearly quota fee: HER and SPR 1,3€ /ton and SAL 0,2€ /piece



Transfers of TFCs and ITQs

Quota/ year	HER 30/31	HER 3D-R30	SPR	SAL 3BCD-F	SAL 3D32
2017	TFC 0 ITQ 33	TFC 0 ITQ 42 MS 6	TFC 0 ITQ 14 MS 5	TFC 0 ITQ 44	TFC 0 ITQ 1
2018	TFC 5 ITQ 55 MS 2	TFC 1 ITQ 38 MS 3	TFC 1 ITQ 17 MS 2	TFC 11 ITQ 64	TFC 1 ITQ 7 MS 1
2019	TFC 9	TFC 8	TFC 7	TFC 20	TFC 2

MS = Between EU Member States FIN – SWE – FIN and FIN – EST - FIN

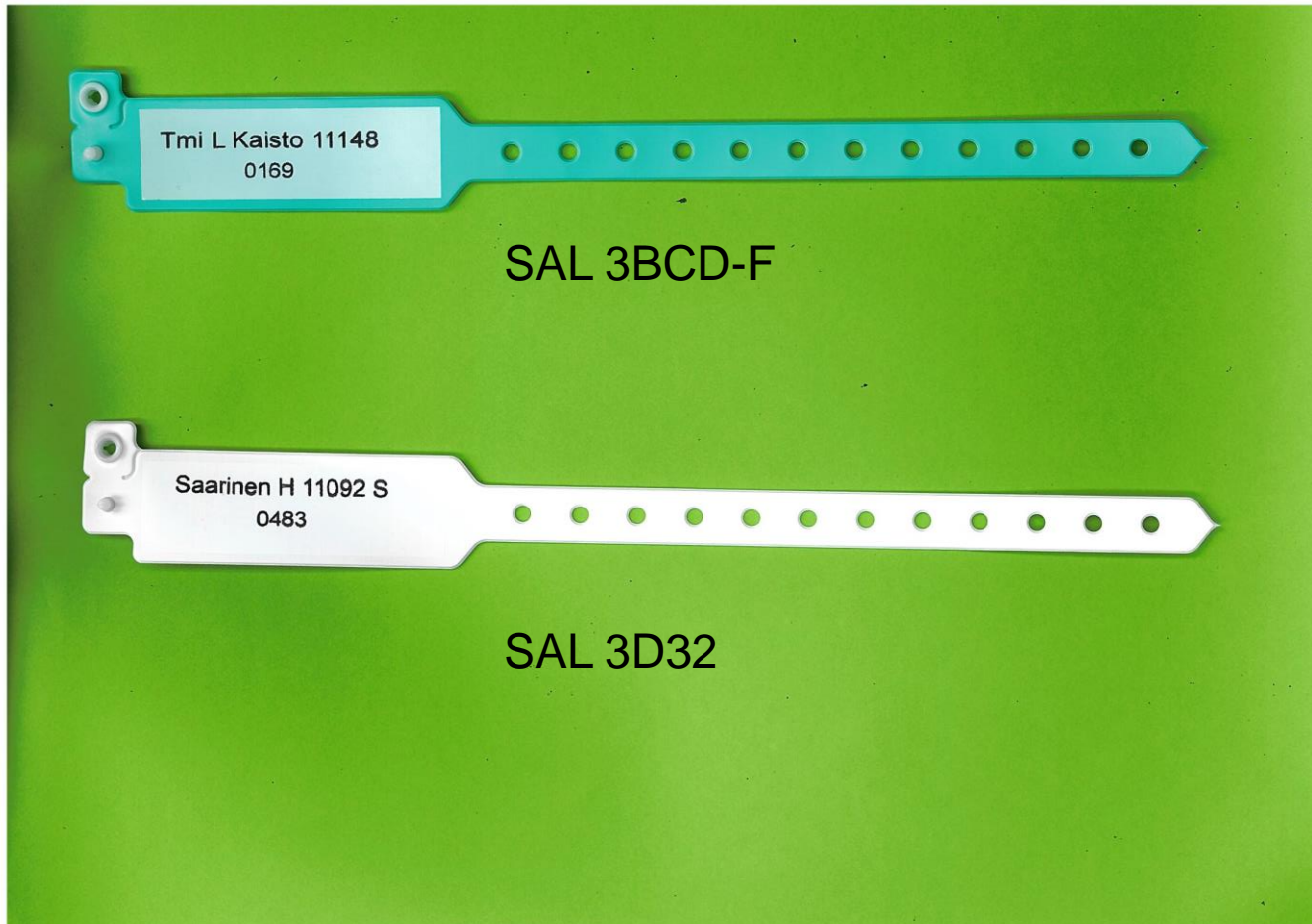


Marking of SAL

- The fishermen are obliged to mark their salmon catch as soon as it is taken on board the vessel
- Marks are provided by the ELY-center based to the size of the fishing quota
- The mark must remain on the fish until it is sold to the consumer
- The mark includes the name and register number of the fisherman and a running number
- If the quota is transferred to another fisherman the same amount of marks is transferred to that fisherman



The salmon mark 2018





Experiences sofar...

- The system evens up the fishing pressure and market supply, no need for olympic fishing
- Fishermen can plan better their coming year and make better contracts with fishbuyers
- The N-TFCs offer new fishermen a limited entry into the industry and the possibility of receiving withdrawn TFCs
- The TFC system has together with a longer fishing season lead to higher prices for salmon



Experiences sofar...

- Fisheries control has become easier and more focused
- More confidence to sustainable fishing by consumers and NGOs
- Many TFCs are too small for lucrative fishing
- TFCs are starting to concentrate, which is being monitored and controlled