

Case No:	2025-0336	Date of visit:	27/08/2025			
Additional inspector(s):		Main Inspector:				
Site No:	FS0265	Site Name:	Inverkerry Smolt Unit			
Business No:	FB0061	Business Name:	Landcatch Natural Selection Ltd			
Case Types:	1 REP	2 REG	3	4	5	6
Water Temp (°C):		Thermometer No:		FHI 045 completed	N/A	
Observations:	Region:	HI	Water type:	F	CoGP MA:	
Dead/weak/abnormally behaving fish present?	N	If yes, see additional information/clinical score sheet.				
Clinical signs of disease observed?	N	If yes, see additional information/clinical score sheet.				
Post mortem signs observed?	N	If yes, see additional information/clinical score sheet.				
Diagnostic samples taken?	N					

UNI/REG only - if unable to carry out intended visit detail reason below:

Additional Case Information:

Site was inspected due to elevated mortalities reported to the FHI.

Mortalities for the last four weeks, wk 32 17429 (0.74%), wk 33 170856 (5.87%), wk 34 135262 (4.36%) wk 35 41254 (1.39%).

Fish (2026 s1) were moved on from Inverpolly Hatchery (FS0264) from the 1/8/2025 to the 15/8/2025 it was this stock that had the increased mortalities. Email communication with the company confirmed that furunculosis had been confirmed in the stock in July 2025 at Inverpolly prior to the transfers to Inverkerry. Antibiotics had been administered and the stock was considered post clinical as mortalities has settled down. Post transfer elevated mortalities occurred and furunculosis was identified by PCR and antibiotics (Oxytet) prescribed and administered.

No issues with the other stock on site.

On inspection of the site (all stocked tanks inspected) no clinical signs of disease were observed therefore no diagnostic samples were taken.

Water levels were low on the site due to hydro scheme.

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Registration/Authorisation Details

1. Business/site details summary checked by site representative?

Y

2. Changes made to details?

N

Site Details (include cleaner fish for all sections)

Total No facilities	65	Facilities stocked	56	No facilities inspected	65
Species	Atlantic salmon	Atlantic salmon			
Age group	2025 s0	2026 s1			
No Fish	626,320	2,341,196			
Mean Fish Wt	79g	13.7g			
Next Fallow Date (Site)	ongoing cycle		Next Input Date (Site)	TBC	
Recent (last 4 wks) disease problems?			Y	Any escapes (since last visit)?	N
If yes, detail:	Furunculosis				

Movement Records1. Movement records for **all species** held available for inspection?

Y

2. Date of last inspection:

30/04/2025

3. Are records complete and correctly entered?

Y

4. Are movement records available for dead fish and waste?

Y

5. Are records complete and correctly entered?

Y

6. Have all introductions and imports (since last inspection) from outwith the GB health zone been recorded in the movement records?

N/A

Transport Records

1. Are any movements carried out not using a STB (by (or on behalf of) the business)?

Y

If yes, is there a system in place for maintenance of transportation records?

Y

Mortality Records1. Mortality records for **all species** held available for inspection?

Y

2. How are mortalities disposed of?

Biogas - Barkip

If other detail:

3. Mortality records complete and correctly entered?

Y

4. Recent mortality (last 4 wks):

see additional information

5. Evidence of recent increased/atypical mortalities?

Y

If yes, facility nos/no mortality per facility/no stock per facility/reason:

see additional information

6. Any other peaks in mortality during period checked?

N

If yes, detail:

7. Have increased (unexplained) mortalities been reported to vet or FHI?

N/A

If yes, detail action:

8. Have 'mortality events' been reported to FHI? If no, enter details on mortality events sheet.

Y

Treatments and Medicines Records

1. Recent treatments (see comment)?

If yes, detail:

If other, detail:

2. Medicines records available for inspection?

3. Are records complete and correctly entered?

4. Are fish in a withdrawal period?

5. If yes, what treatment(s)?

If other, detail:

6. Are medicines stored appropriately?

Biosecurity Records

1. Biosecurity records available for inspection?

2. Has the manner and frequency of mortality removal, recording and safe disposal been considered?

3. Has the manner and period in which the APB will notify Scottish Ministers or veterinary professional of any *increased (unexplained)* mortality at the site been included?4. Has the action that will be taken in the event that the presence or suspicion of the presence of a listed disease is detected been included and *how* and *when* that will be notified to Scottish Ministers?

5. Has the health status of aquaculture animals being stocked on the farm site been covered (equal or higher health status, certification if required)?

6. Have the husbandry and biosecurity measures implemented between each epidemiological unit to minimise transmission of disease been covered (movement of staff, visitors, equipment, live or dead fish etc.)?

7. Is documentation available regarding the measures in place to maintain the physical containment of aquaculture animals held on site?

8. Have the biosecurity procedures been adequately implemented on site?

If no, detail:

Results of Surveillance

1. Has any animal health surveillance been carried out by, or on behalf of, the business?

2. If yes, are results available for inspection?

3. Any significant results?

If yes, detail (if not detailed under recent disease problems).

Records checked between:

30/4/2025 to 27/8/2025

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Date of Visit	27/08/2025	No of movements/supp./dest.			Score	
Live fish movements		0	1-5	6-10	>10	
Movements on (from out with GB) of susceptible species	Frequency of movements on from British Islands (non-GB).	0	5	10	14	0
	Frequency of movements on from a third country	0	9	18	26	0
	Number of suppliers	0	5	10	14	0
Movements off	Frequency of movements off	0	3	6	10	6
	Number of destinations	0	3	6	10	6
Exposure via water	Site contacts	0	1-5	6-10		
Water contacts with other farms (holding species susceptible to same diseases)	Farm is protected (secure water supply through disinfection or borehole)	0				
	Farm is on-line or in a coastal zone with category I farms upstream or within 1 tidal excursion	1	2	4		1
	Farm is on-line or in a coastal zone with category III farms upstream or within 1 tidal excursion	1	3	6		
	Farm is on-line or in a coastal zone with category V farms upstream or within 1 tidal excursion	1	4	8		
Management practices		None	Secure	Unsecure		
Water contacts with processors	Any processing plant discharging into adjacent waters	0	1	2		0
On farm processing within the rules of the directive	No on farm processing	0				0
	Processing own fish (re-cycling risk)	1				
	Processing fish from MS of equivalent status	2				
	Processing fish from zone or compartment of equivalent status	4				
	Processing fish from Category III farm	8				
	Processing fish from Category V farm	10				
Disposal of fish and fish by-products	Site's own waste only processed.	0				
	Common processes with other farms	3				3
	Collection point for waste from other farms	5				
Use of unpasteurised feeds	No feeding of unpasteurised feed	0				0
	Feeding unpasteurised feed	5				
Biosecurity	Number of sites	1	2 or 3	≥ 4		
Contacts with other sites	Sites operating from single shorebase	0	1	2		1
	Sites sharing staff and equipment	0	1	2		1
Disinfection of equipment between sites, use of footbaths etc	Yes	0				0
	No	1				
CoGP/Regulator						
Practices in accordance with regulator or industry code of practice	Yes	0				0
	No	3				
Platform access to cages	Yes	0				0
	No	2				
Total Rank					18	MEDIUM

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FISH HEALTH INSPECTORATE VISIT REPORT

SUMMARY FOR INFORMATION OF SITE OPERATOR

BUSINESS NO	FB0061	DATE OF VISIT	27/08/2025
SITE NO	FS0265	SITE NAME	Inverkerry Smolt Unit
CASE NO	20250336	INSPECTOR	[REDACTED]

Inspection under the Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009

The above site was inspected, in accordance with the Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009, following reports of increased mortality.

All epidemiological units were inspected. On this occasion no samples were taken for disease analysis. The Inspector did not observe any clinical signs associated with the listed diseases as described in the Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009.

Records

The surveillance frequency category of the site was assessed as medium. An inspection under the Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009 will be conducted every second year. The category of the site will be reassessed on a routine basis and updated as required.

The information required for the public record of aquaculture production businesses regarding this site was verified and where necessary updated. The following records were also inspected to ensure that the conditions of authorisation for your Aquaculture Production Business (APB) are being met:

Aquaculture animal and aquaculture animal product movement records were inspected and appeared to be adequately maintained.

Records in relation to aquaculture animals transported by the business were inspected and found to be adequately maintained.

Mortality records were inspected and found to be adequately maintained.

Mortality levels had exceeded the reporting criteria since the last inspection and had been reported to the Fish Health Inspectorate as required.

Reports detailing the results of animal health surveillance carried out by or on behalf of the business and/or Marine Directorate were available for inspection.

Please contact myself or the duty inspector should you require any further information or have any queries regarding this report.

Signed:

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Date: 04/09/2025

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