

Case No: 2025-0374 Date of visit: 23/10/2025

Additional inspector(s): Main Inspector:

Site No: FS1320 Site Name: Glenforsa Hatchery

Business No: FB0571 Business Name: Benmore Estate Ltd

Case Types: 1 ECI 2 CNI 3 4 5 6

Water Temp (°C): fallow Thermometer No: FHI 045 completed N/A

Observations: Region: ST Water type: F CoGP MA:

Dead/weak/abnormally behaving fish present? N/A If yes, see additional information/clinical score sheet.

Clinical signs of disease observed? N/A If yes, see additional information/clinical score sheet.

Post mortem signs observed? N/A If yes, see additional information/clinical score sheet.

Diagnostic samples taken? N/A

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

Additional Case Information:

Site fallow during visit and has been fallow since January 2025. Hatchery manager and business contacts have changed since last visit.

Site takes brood salmon from River Forsa holding in tanks and stripping to stock hatchery. Broodfish are held on site for minimal periods and returned to the river. Hatchery units and small tanks for SAL fry indoors, fry are returned to the River Forsa in late Spring/early Summer.

Site also holds brown trout for on-growing and stocking of Benmore Estates fishery sites - Loch Bearnach FIS0260 and Guailne Duibhe. Guailne Dhuibe fishery site not registered with FHI. Other errors in movement records amended whilst on site in conversation with hatchery manager.

Site hold rainbow trout for short periods (day or two) prior to transfer to fishery loch sites. Site not currently authorised to hold rainbow trout. Guailne Dhuibe fishery site not registered with FHI. Other errors in movement records amended whilst on site in conversation with hatchery manager.

Mortality generally very low across site. Not all mortality records were available - for last batch of trout October 2024 to Jan 2025 were missing.

No treatments have been administered. A secure cabinet to store medicines would be required should they be proposed for use.

Amendment to authorisation forms will be completed to update species on site and register the fishery site.

Initial submission of authorisation and registration forms received within deadline set. During the amendment to authorisation process the APB stated that brown trout will no longer be held on site, so only RTR added to authorised species. Case closure was delayed to allow the amendment to authorisation and registration details processes to be completed prior to case closure.

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Registration/Authorisation Details

- 1. Business/site details summary checked by site representative?
- 2. Changes made to details?

Site Details (include cleaner fish for all sections)

Total No facilities	<input type="text" value="16+hat"/>	Facilities stocked	<input type="text" value="0"/>	No facilities inspected	<input type="text" value="all"/>
Species	<input type="text" value="fallow"/>				
Age group	<input type="text"/>				
No Fish	<input type="text"/>				
Mean Fish Wt	<input type="text"/>				
Next Fallow Date (Site)	<input type="text" value="current"/>		Next Input Date (Site)	<input type="text" value="December 2025"/>	
Recent (last 4 wks) disease problems?	<input type="text" value="N"/>		Any escapes (since last visit)?	<input type="text" value="N"/>	
If yes, detail:	<input type="text"/>				

Movement Records

- 1. Movement records for **all species** held available for inspection?
- 2. Date of last inspection:
- 3. Are records complete and correctly entered?
- 4. Are movement records available for dead fish and waste?
- 5. Are records complete and correctly entered?
- 6. Have all introductions and imports (since last inspection) from outwith the GB health zone been recorded in the movement records?

Transport Records

- 1. Are any movements carried out not using a STB (by (or on behalf of) the business)?
- If yes, is there a system in place for maintenance of transportation records?

Mortality Records

- 1. Mortality records for **all species** held available for inspection?
- 2. How are mortalities disposed of?
- If other detail:
- 3. Mortality records complete and correctly entered?
- 4. Recent mortality (last 4 wks):
- 5. Evidence of recent increased/atypical mortalities?
- If yes, facility nos/no mortality per facility/no stock per facility/reason:
- 6. Any other peaks in mortality during period checked?
- If yes, detail:
- 7. Have increased (unexplained) mortalities been reported to vet or FHI?
- If yes, detail action:
- 8. Have 'mortality events' been reported to FHI? If no, enter details on mortality events sheet.

Treatments and Medicines Records

1. Recent treatments (see comment)?		N
If yes, detail:		
If other, detail:		
2. Medicines records available for inspection?		N/A
3. Are records complete and correctly entered?		
4. Are fish in a withdrawal period?		N
5. If yes, what treatment(s)?		
If other, detail:		
6. Are medicines stored appropriately?		N/A

Biosecurity Records

1. Biosecurity records available for inspection?		Y
2. Has the manner and frequency of mortality removal, recording and safe disposal been considered?		Y
3. Has the manner and period in which the APB will notify Scottish Ministers or veterinary professional of any <i>increased (unexplained)</i> mortality at the site been included?		Y
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 <i>how</i> and <i>when</i> that will be notified to Scottish Ministers?		Y
5. Has the health status of aquaculture animals being stocked on the farm site been covered (equal or higher health status, certification if required)?		Y
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.)?		N
7. Is documentation available regarding the measures in place to maintain the physical containment of aquaculture animals held on site?		Y
8. Have the biosecurity procedures been adequately implemented on site?		Y
If no, detail:		

Results of Surveillance

1. Has any animal health surveillance been carried out by, or on behalf of, the business?		N/A
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:	22/3/22 - 23/10/25
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Date of Visit	23/10/2025	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	3
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				0
	Common processes with other farms	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		0
	Sites sharing staff and equipment	0	1	2		
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					10	
Rank					LOW	

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Sea Lice Inspection (Seawater Sites Only)

1. Has the site experienced sea lice problems in the previous 4 years?
 2. Is the CoGP Farm Management Area (or equivalent) followed synchronously on a single year class basis?
 3. Does the site have access to a range of licenced in-feed and bath sea lice medications (including deltamethrin, azamethiphos and emamectin benzoate) as well as access to suitable biological and/or mechanical control measures, and can these be deployed in a reasonable period of time?
 4. Is there a signed documented farm management agreement or statement relevant to the site and CoGP Farm Management Area (or equivalent)?
 5. Are sea lice count records available for inspection? (Legal SSI, CoGP Annex 6)
 6. Do records adequately reflect the required standard specified in the SSI and the CoGP? (Legal SSI, CoGP Annex 6)
 7. Are sea lice (*L. salmonis*) record levels below the suggested criteria for treatment in the CoGP during the period that records are inspected? (CoGP Annex 6)
 8. Have weekly average adult female sea lice counts at or above the intervention level been reported accurately?
- If no, please detail in additional information.
9. Is *C. elongatus* infestation at a level which is considered to cause significant welfare problems? (CoGP 4.3.81, 5.3.50)
 10. Have therapeutic treatments been administered or other actions taken when *L. salmonis* levels have exceeded the suggested criteria for treatment or where *C. elongatus* is considered to have welfare implications? (CoGP 4.3.82, 5.3.51)
 11. Has any other action been taken (where applicable)?
 12. Have therapeutic treatments or the actions taken had a significant impact upon the lice levels recorded?
 13. Are treatments, where conducted, carried out in cooperation between participating farms?
 14. Is there a harvesting strategy for the site, where fewer populations or part populations are held without treatment for sea lice?
 15. Is there a site specific written lice management procedure with waypoints describing set actions to deal with recognised scenarios during the escalation of a sea lice infestation?
 16. Do the sea lice levels observed on stocks reflect sea lice count data? If no please detail reasons.

Containment Inspection

1. Has the site experienced equipment damage due to predators in the current or previous production cycles?
2. Are measures in place to mitigate against the predation experienced on site? (Detail below)

Tank lids/covers

If other, detail below:

Hatchery and smaller tanks in a secure building.

3. Have escape incidents or events been experienced on or in the vicinity of the site since the last FHI inspection?

If Yes proceed with questions 4 – 9. If No skip to question 10

4. Have these been reported to Scottish Ministers?
5. Have these been reported to local DSFB forthwith (where they exist)? (CoGP – 4.4.37, 5.4.17)
6. Have these been reported to the SSPO and local fisheries trusts forthwith (where they exist)? (CoGP – 4.4.37, 5.4.17)

7. Were methods (if any) used to recover escapees? If yes give detail

8. If gill nets were deployed was this action agreed with local wild fish interests and was permission given by Scottish Ministers? (Legal, CoGP – 4.4.38, 5.4.18)

9. What action was taken to prevent and minimise the risk of further escapes? (Not covered in code but could be considered under satisfactory measures of the Act)

10. Is the site inspected as satisfactory with regards to containment? If no, please detail reason(s)

Fish Health Inspectorate visit report

Summary for information of site operator

Business no:	FB0571	Date of visit:	23/10/2025
Site no:	FS1320	Site name:	Glenforsa Hatchery
Case no:	20250374	Inspector:	██████████

Inspection under the Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009

The above site was inspected, in accordance with the Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009.

On this occasion, the site was found to be fallow.

Records

The surveillance frequency category of the site was assessed as low. An inspection under the Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009 will be conducted every third 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 found to be inadequately 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 inadequately maintained.

No mortality levels exceeding the reporting criteria have been recorded since the last inspection.

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No animal health surveillance had been carried out on behalf of the business and/or Marine Directorate since the last Marine Directorate inspection.

The biosecurity measures plan for the site was inspected and found to be inadequately maintained.

The following points were raised with the site representative during the inspection:

- The site had held rainbow trout which are not listed on the Aquaculture Production Business's authorisation for this site. **An amendment to the APB authorisation should be completed considering any increased risks fish health and spread of disease from stocking rainbow trout on site.**
- Movements had been undertaken to an unregistered fishery site – Guailne Duibhe, operated by the APB. **A fishery registration form should be completed for this location.**
- The Biosecurity Measures Plan did not reference rainbow trout; **the BMP should be updated to include rainbow trout and submitted.**
- Other minor inaccuracies in movement records (stage of fish, site names and numbers) were identified and amended during the inspection. Amendments were made during the inspection. **Please update your copy of movement records relating to Loch Bearnach to site FIS0260**, the copies collected from the site for our records have been updated.
- Mortality records were not available for all stocking periods. The current manager was not responsible for keeping these records at the time. The manager was reminded of the conditions of authorisation and is aware of this requirement going forward. No further action required.

These points and the actions in bold above must be addressed to ensure the conditions of authorisation for your Aquaculture Production Business (APB) are being met. Records or documentation demonstrating that these points have been addressed should be sent to the Fish Health Inspectorate (contact details below) within 30 days of the date this report was issued.

Inspection under the Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2007

The site was also inspected in accordance with the Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2007 with respect to section 5 regarding containment and escapes.

On this occasion the site was found to be fallow therefore the measures in place for the containment of stock could not be fully assessed, but appear to be satisfactory.

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

Signed:



Date: 05/11/2025

Senior Fish Health Inspector

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Case completion report

Issues were raised in relation to the above case, with a requirement for an amendment to the APB authorisation to be completed with regard to species held on site, registration of an unregistered fishery operated by the business and amendment of movement records to be actioned by 5th December 2025. The required information has now been provided to the Fish Health Inspectorate and the process of amending authorisation and registration details is complete.

This case will now be closed. This site may be subject to further audit and recommendations in the future.

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

Signed: ██████████

Date: 13/02/2026

Fish Health Inspector

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