Case No: 2026-0271 Date of visit: 17/08/2026

Additional inspector(s): Main Inspector: [redacted]

Site No: FS0292 Site Name: Bight of Foraness
Business No: FB0125 Business Name: Scottish Sea Farms Ltd

Case Types: 1 VMD 2 REP 3 4 5 6

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

Observations: Region: SH Water type: S CoGP MA: S-4

Dead/weak/abnormally behaving fish present?	Y	If yes, see additional information/clinical score sheet.
Clinical signs of disease observed?	Y	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:

Increased mortalities occurred in late June, affecting pens 5 and 6 only, due to low dissolved oxygen (DO) levels. These events were reported to FHI.

The mortality spike observed in August affected the whole site and was mainly attributed to environmental gill insults, proliferative gill disease (PGD), and HSMI. Mortality has since fallen back below 1%.

The site is currently being harvested out, with a third pen scheduled to be empty on the day of inspection. The site is expected to be fallow by October 2026.

Fish on site were observed to be in good condition and shoaling well. Only three lethargic fish were noted across the entire site; however, these fish remained in the middle of the pens and could not be collected for further examination.

One fish was removed for VMD sampling and was in good condition, with no clinical signs of disease observed.

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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	10	Facilities stocked	8	No facilities inspected	10		
Species	Atlantic salmon	Wrasse					
Age group	2025 Q1	Wild					
No Fish	147,060	25,974					
Mean Fish Wt	5.68kg	~200g					
Next Fallow Date (Site)	October 2026	Next Input Date (Site)	March 2027				
Recent (last 4 wks) disease problems?	Y	Any escapes (since last visit)?	N				

If yes, detail: Wk 32 - 1689 (1.12%) across site. No specific pen(s) showing higher rates. Due mainly to environmental gill insults, Proliferative gill disease and HSMI but below 1% wk 33.

Movement Records

1. Movement records for **all species** held available for inspection?	Y
2. Date of last inspection:	08/07/2025
3. Are records complete and correctly entered?	N
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)?	
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?	Y
2. How are mortalities disposed of?	Other (detail)
If other detail:	Skips collected and taken to Pelagia (Bressay)
3. Mortality records complete and correctly entered?	Y
4. Recent mortality (last 4 wks):	SAL wk 30-33: 826 (0.54%), 931 (0.62%), 1689 (1.12%), 1387 (0.93%); WRS wk 30-33: 2016 (0.78%), 153 (0.59%), 103 (0.40%), 53 (0.20%)
5. Evidence of recent increased/atypical mortalities?	N

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

6. Any other peaks in mortality during period checked?	Y
If yes, detail:	Mortality events weeks beginning 11/05, 18/05, 22/06 & 29/06/2026. All events except wk 21 (18/05) reported to FHI
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.	N

Treatments and Medicines Records

1. Recent treatments (see comment)?	Y
If yes, detail:	H2O2
If other, detail:	Optomease
2. Medicines records available for inspection?	Y
3. Are records complete and correctly entered?	Y
4. Are fish in a withdrawal period?	N
5. If yes, what treatment(s)?	
If other, detail:	
6. Are medicines stored appropriately?	Y

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: 08/07/2025 - 17/08/2026

Case no:	2026-0271	Site No:	FS0292	Date of visit/ Sampling:	17/08/2026	17/(							
Priority samples:	VI		BA		PA		MG		HI				
Time sampling starts/ends:	15:30:00	15:50:00	Main Insp:		VMD No.	6							
Environmental conditions:	1	Indoors	2		3		4		5				
Summary samples	HIST		BA		MG		VI		PA		Total Samples		

Add Fish/Pools - click button

	Pool/Fish No												
	Fish nos	1											
	Pool Group												
Stock Details	Species	SAL											
	Average weight	5.6800											
	Sex	N/A											
	Water Type	SW											
	Stock Origin	Girlsta Hatchery (FS0504)											
	Facility No	9											

08/2026 Additional Sample Information:

0 Total Tests assigned 0

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Start date:	End date: (if applicable)	Size of fish:	Average weight of affected population:	Species:	Yearclass (SW SAL only):	Timescale	Mortality rate recorded(%):	Explained/ unexplained:	If explained, enter reason(s):
18/05/26	24/05/2026	≥750g	4.2kg	SAL	S1	Weekly	1.04	Explained	Environmental. Low DO

If unexplained, enter observations:	Total mortality during event (if available):	Additional information (e.g. action taken by company):	Action taken by FHI (include case no where applicable):	Yearclass Year
	3763	Aeration set up, increased rate of net cleaning.	Historic data, collected during site inspection. Levels dropped below 1% the following week. Report for 2026-0271 to remind business of agreement in relation to mortality reporting as detailed in A Code of Good Practice for Scottish Finfish Aquaculture.	2025

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Results Summary	Freq.	Date of Notification						
		Database	Insp	Phone	Insp	Writing	Insp	2nd Insp

Report Summary			
Case Type	Date	Insp	2nd Insp
REP, VMD	24/08/2026		

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Fish Health Inspectorate visit report

Summary for information of site operator

Business no:	FB0125	Date of visit:	17/08/2026
Site no:	FS0292	Site name:	Bight of Foraness
Case no:	20260271	Inspector:	[redacted]

Inspection under the Animals and Animal Products (Examination for Residues and Maximum Residue Limits) (England and Scotland) Regulations 2015

The above site was visited in accordance with the Animals and Animal Products (Examination for Residues and Maximum Residue Limits) (England and Scotland) Regulations 2015.

Samples were taken to be analysed for veterinary residues.

The above site was inspected following reports of elevated mortality levels. During the inspection, no clinical signs consistent with the listed diseases under the Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009 were observed. Mortality levels had subsequently reduced and were no longer considered elevated at the time of inspection.

Records

The information required for the public record of aquaculture production businesses regarding this site was verified and where necessary updated.

Medicine records were inspected and found to be adequately maintained.

Aquaculture animal and aquaculture animal product movement records were inspected and found to be inadequately maintained.

Mortality records were inspected and found to be inadequately maintained.

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

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Email – ms.fishhealth@gov.scot
Fish Health Inspectorate Website

- FS number from source site was missing from the movement records. This was corrected on site. No further action required.

- A mortality event exceeded the reporting threshold and was not reported. Site was advised in the future to ensure all mortality events that exceed the reporting threshold are reported. No further action required.

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

Signed: [redacted] Date: 24/08/2026

Fish Health Inspector

The Fish Health Inspectorate Service Charter detailing standards of service is available on the Scottish Government website at Fish Health Inspectorate Service Charter - gov.scot (www.gov.scot)

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