

*Ordinances of the Lieutenant Governor and Council of His Majesty's Province of Cape Breton passed in the year 1801.* National Archives of the United Kingdom CO 219/2.

41 George III – Chapter 2

**An Ordinance in addition to and amendment of an ordinance made and passed the 10th day of May in the 33d Year of His present Majesty's Reign and in the year of our Lord 1793. Entitled an ordinance to prevent Nuisances by Hedges Wears and other Incumbrances obstructing the Passage of Fish in the Rivers of this Government.**

Whereas it has been found by Experience that the before in part recited Ordinance is defective and incomplete, and has not answered the good purpose intended thereby,

Be it therefore ordained and ordered by His Honor the President by and with the advice and consent of His Majesty's Council. And it is hereby ordained and ordered by the authority of the same, That if any Person or Persons shall presume to set up in any River Bays or Creeks within this Government any Hedge Wear Fish garth or other Incumbrances or place any Sein or Seins Net or Nets across any river or Brook so as to reach or extend more than one third of the Breadth of such River or Brook or draw or hawl any Sein or Seins Net or Nets across any River or Brook or place set any Sein or Seins Net or Nets in any of the Bays nearer than Fifty fathoms to the outer edge of the Bar or Bars at the entrance or mouth of any River or Brook in this Government every such Person or Persons shall upon conviction thereof by the oath of one credible witness forfeit and pay the sum of Twenty pounds one half to the Person who shall inform and prosecute and the other half to the Public uses of this Government to be recovered by Action of Bill Plaint or Information in any of His majesty's Courts of Record in this Island and its Dependencies.

And it is further ordained and ordered by the authority aforesaid that if any Person or Persons shall set or keep up any Hedge, Wear, Fishgarth, Net or Sein or shall drag or hawl any Net or Sein in any River or Brook within this Government between the setting of the Sun on Saturday and Sun setting on Sunday shall forfeit and Pay the Sum of Ten pounds to be recovered and applied as mentioned in the foregoing Clause of this Ordinance.

And Be it further Ordained and Ordered by the authority of the same that if any Person or Persons shall take or kill in the Rivers Bays Creeks or Lakes within this Government any Salmon by any device or means whatsoever or is any Person or Persons within the same shall purchase receive or have in his her or their possession any Salmon brought after the Tenth day in September in each and every year they and every of them offending shall forfeit and pay for each and every Salmon so killed purchased or found in their Possession the sum of Five Shillings to be recovered and applied in the way and manner aforementioned

Ordained ordered and Passed  
in Council this Sixth day of  
March in the 41st Year of the  
Reign

By His Honors Command

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