

Corporate report: Government Office for Science annual report: 2016 to 2017

Information on the performance of the Government Office for Science for 2016 to 2017.

Government response: Bluefin tuna in UK waters

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Bluefin tuna is a prohibited species for UK registered commercial fishing vessels and if caught as a by-catch must be returned to the sea, alive and unharmed to the greatest extent possible.

Bluefin tuna caught as a by-catch which are dead must be reported to the Marine Management Organisation (MMO) by contacting the local MMO office, landed whole and unprocessed. Bluefin tuna landed as a result of this requirement must not be sold or given away unless it is for scientific research following approval from the MMO.

More information on bluefin tuna on the [MMO blog](#).

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[Guidance: Contracts for Difference, renewables obligation and small scale feed-in tariffs: companies awarded exemption or compensation](#)

Updated: We have added details of companies awarded compensation for RO / FIT in 2017 and those awarded an exemption from CFD for 2018.

The government has committed to publishing a list of those companies

receiving compensation or relief for the indirect costs of CFD, R0 and FIT.

The CFD document lists companies awarded an exemption from indirect costs up until the end of August 2018. The R0 / FIT document lists companies awarded compensation up to 2017.

Guidance: EU Emissions Trading System and Carbon Price Support: companies awarded compensation

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