



Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority  
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## **REQUEST UNDER FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002**

We refer to your request for information, received by email on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2022. The information you have requested is environmental information, as defined in Regulation 2 of the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (EIRs). We have therefore applied the exemption in section 39(2) of FOISA and dealt with your request under the EIRs alone.

Your specific requests and the Park Authority's response are provided below.

**I am an employee at FEV Consulting Group based in Aachen, Germany. The subject of a recent study is the ban on internal combustion engines in small ships (engine power of around 100 kW and less) in Scotland.**

**“Are there currently areas or specific circumstances where internal combustion engines are prohibited?”**

The only area within the National Park in Scotland, where use of combustion engines is restricted is on Loch Katrine. No petrol or diesel engines are permitted on this Loch as it is a pollution risk for the fresh water reservoir, which provides the water supply for the city of Glasgow. The National Park Authority does not hold any information for other areas of Scotland where internal combustion engines may be prohibited.

**“Do you know of any draft legislation that will further restrict or prohibit the use of internal combustion engines?”**

We do not know of any draft legislation in Scotland that will further restrict or prohibit the use of internal combustion engines. Accordingly, we have to advise under Regulation 10(4)(a) of the EIRs that this information is not held.

We can confirm that the National Park Authority has just launched a public consultation on a review of the byelaws on Loch Lomond, which is the largest body of freshwater in mainland

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Britain. The proposed changes to the Loch Lomond Byelaws currently include a provision which will exclude motorised vessels with an engine power greater than 15 horsepower from certain areas of Loch Lomond.

Full details of the Loch Lomond Byelaw Review, including the proposed changes and the online consultation survey, can be found at [www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/byelawreview](http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/byelawreview)

**“Further, we are looking for regulations and laws that restrict the emissions emitted from small boats. Please tell me in which laws the maximum emissions for different types of boats are specified.”**

We are unable to advise on regulations and laws that restrict the emissions emitted from small boats. In accordance with our duty to provide advice and assistance we can however recommend that you may wish to undertake searches on the website <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/>, This website publishes details of UK legislation in force, including Scottish legislation.

Yours sincerely

**Information Management  
Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park Authority**

Review Procedure

If you are dissatisfied with this decision, or the way in which the Authority has dealt with your request, you are entitled to require the Authority to review its decision. Please note that in order for a review to take place you are required to:

- Send your request for review in writing, setting out in full the reasons why you are requesting a review.
- Submit your review request within 40 working days of either the date on which you received a response from the Authority or the date by which you should have received a response under the terms of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, whichever is the later.
- address your review request to:

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The review will be handled by staff who were not involved in the original decision. You will receive notice of the result of your review within 20 working days.

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