



Scottish Fisheries Co-ordination Centre - Institute of Fisheries Management

**Smolt trapping, tracking and monitoring techniques**  
**Workshop Programme**

14<sup>th</sup> May 2014

Cost: £33.00 pp.

**Objectives:**

- 1. To outline current theory and best practice in salmonid smolt trapping**
- 2. To outline research design and recording protocols**
- 3. To observe and undertake training in current best practice field techniques**

**Venue**

The Tweed Foundation, Dry grange Steading, Melrose TD6 9DJ 01896 848271

**Programme**

- 09:45        **Coffee on arrival**
- 10:00        Welcome and introductions
- 10:05        ***Introduction to smolt monitoring***
- 10:20        Current theory, best practice and trap strategies
- 10:35        Experience from The Spey Foundation & The FNLFT  
Rotary screw trapping: A short film
- 11:00        A discussion on trap strategies  
Acoustic tracking of smolts in the Tweed Catchment (Methods)  
Predation and fish damage  
**Discussion on the morning session**
- 12:30        Depart Tweed Foundation
- 13:00        **Lunch at The Riverside Café**
- 13:45        ***Practical approaches***  
Field visit to the river Yarrow smolt trap  
Opportunity for practical experience in fish processing  
**Discussion on practical approaches**
- 14:45        Return to the Tweed Foundation  
**Coffee**
- 15:30        ***Case studies***  
Acoustic tracking of smolts in the Tweed Catchment (Results)  
Smolt tracking in the rivers of Southern England  
Case study: Smolt monitoring in the River Lossie  
A national assessment of smolt monitoring efforts in Scotland (SFCC)
- 16:45        **Discussion on the afternoon session**

17:00            **Summary & Close**  
**Delivery**

The delivery will incorporate short lectures with Q&A discussion sessions.

**Assessment & Accreditation**

Candidates will be issued with a certificate of attendance accredited by the SFCC and the I.F.M

**Candidate Requirements**

Attendees must be members of either the SFCC or the I.F.M