

## **FISHERIES ACT 1996**

### **PART II - APPOINTMENT AND POWERS OF FISHERY OFFICERS**

#### **Powers of entry, search, and questioning**

##### **201. Power to question persons and require production of documents—**

For the purpose of the enforcement of this Act, if a fishery officer believes on reasonable grounds that—

(a) A person is or has been engaged in the taking or selling of fish, aquatic life, or seaweed; or

(b) A person has purchased or is or has been in possession of fish, aquatic life, or seaweed; or

(c) A person is committing or has committed an offence against this Act,—  
the fishery officer may, at any reasonable time,—

(d) Question that person or any other person; and

(e) Require the person being questioned to provide an answer, including any explanation or information concerning any vessel, or any place or thing, or any fish, aquatic life, or seaweed, or fishing method, gear, apparatus, record, document, article, device, or thing relating to the taking, sale, purchase, or possession of any fish, aquatic life, or seaweed; and

(f) Require that person or any other person to produce any permit, authority, approval, permission, licence, or certificate issued in respect of any vessel or person.