
December 2023

Integrated pest management (IPM)

Arnarlax ehf tries in all way to search for non-medicinal ways to reduce sea lice load and risk for resistance built-up with use of preventive measures such as lumpfish and sea lice skirts.

Lice levels are constantly monitored by counting lice at least every 14 days and weekly during the sensitive period. All data is publicly available at Arnarlax website. The sea lice contingency plan is activated when average numbers for gravid sea lice exceed 0.5 per fish and the Icelandic Food and Veterinary Authority (MAST) is notified. According to ASC standard Arnarlax is allowed to use 6 medicinal lice treatments per production cycle but tries in any way to avoid that. Non-medicamental treatment capacity against sea-lice will be available in summer and autumn and has been used for sea-lice control in 2023. Sea-lice control and measures will be coordinated with other salmon producers in the Westfjords.

After a farm site has been harvested out and finished following, benthic sampling is carried out by 3rd party. Parasiticide residue levels are analysed on the farm site amongst other things regarding the seabed.

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