

FISHING PORT OF GRANVILLE

GENERAL INFORMATION

DATE OF VISIT: 03/07/2024

PORT MANAGEMENT

Port Authority : Departmental Council of La Manche

Administrator: Local Public Company for the Ports of La Manche

PORT DESCRIPTION

Fishing port, commercial port and marina. Presence of a fish market

Flotilla of 55 fishing vessels :
mainly dredgers & caseyeur (pot vessels)

MANAGEMENT OF USED FISHING GEAR

EQUIPMENT

3 Big Bags of 1m³ & **1 crate** behind the fish auction hall for : trawl and dredge netting / nets / ropes / used traps & pots.

MANAGEMENT

- One sorting area and **one dedicated staff member**
- EOLFG placed in Big Bags by category for transport to the dedicated reuse channels

Management costs: no data

Quantity: 1,964 T in 2022 (*FINEOR project*)

REUSE

- **VALNET project** (2023-2024): reuse of used fishing gear by incorporating their fibres to create eco-responsible fibre-reinforced concrete.
- **Experiment conducted by Fil&Fab and WWF:** trawl nets recycling (shredding tests planned for 2024).
- **Local reuse initiatives:**
 - Reuse of trawls by recreational fishermen to make pots for their fishing activities.
 - Recycled by second-hand shops to create new objects.
 - Pochons' project: recycling oyster bags to design bags.

BEST PRACTICES & OBJECTIVES

- EOLFG collection well established among fishermen and sorting in place within the port
- Objectives:
 - **Sustainable recycling channels** and development on a larger scale
 - Solutions to identify reuse possibilities depending on the degree of contamination of fishing gear
 - Improve **monitoring** of various indicators (tonnage, hours of work required for sorting, etc.) for better management

CONSTRAINTS

- Recycling of certain EOLFGs is complicated, especially when material are mixed (e.g. rock hopper, dredge netting...).
- No sorting equipment, which is currently done on the ground.
- Sorting station is far away, which makes sorting less efficient.
- Recycling channels still almost non-existent.
- Net cuttings that may fall into sewers or the harbour water.



FISHING FOR LITTER

CURRENT PRACTICES

Fishermen bring the litter they collect while fishing back to the port. Disposal in waste bins without quantification or qualification.

PORT WISHES

Installation of Big Bags to collect only passively fished litter in order to quantify and qualify the streams of waste brought back to the port.