

# Rope **Mussel** Farming.

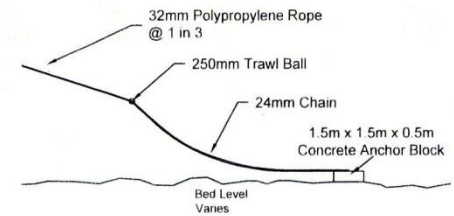
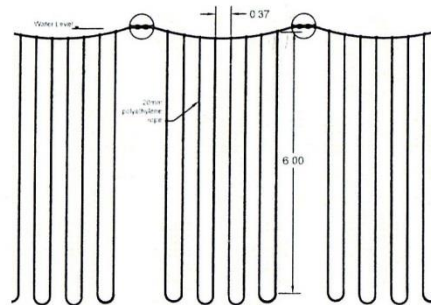
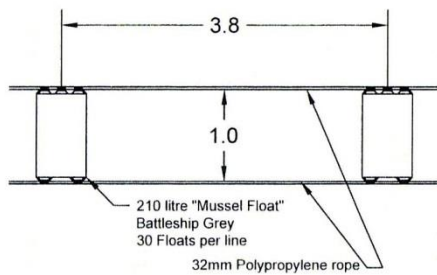
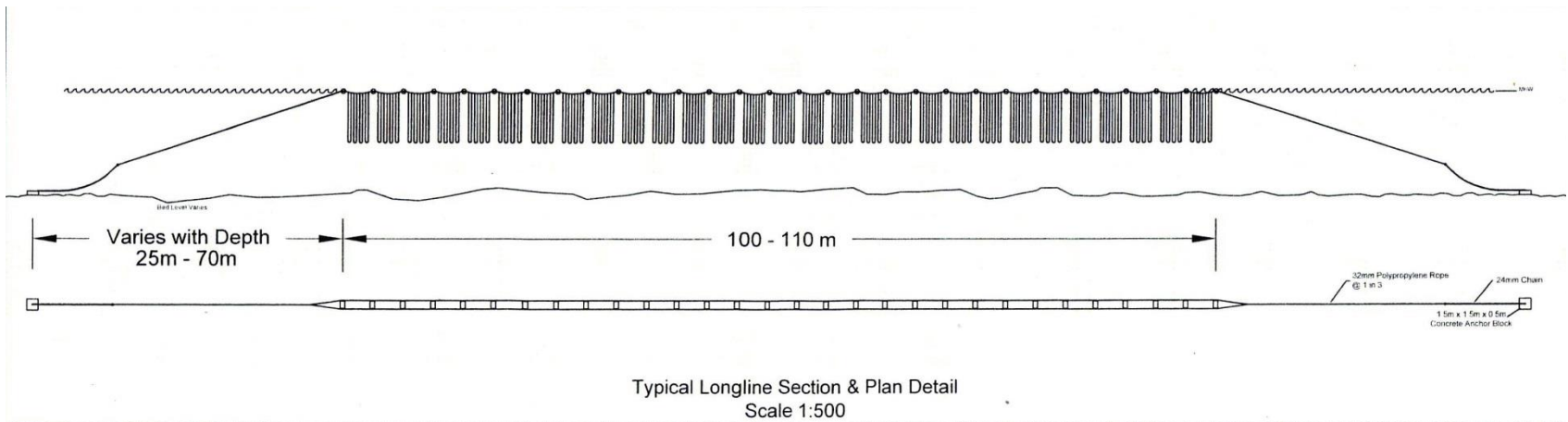


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# Typical Longline.



# Floatation Types.

**WHEN WE STARTED MUSSEL FARMING  
BLUE DRUMS  
WERE MOST COMMON.**



**NOWDAYS PURPOSE DESIGNED  
GREY FLOATS  
ARE WHAT WE USE .**



## GREY MUSSEL LONGLINE FLOATS.

### **Advantages:**

STRONG and DURABLE .

CAN BE PRESSURISED.

COLOUR BLENDS IN WELL TO SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT.

TYING HANDLES FOR EASY FASTENING TO ANOTHER OBJECT.

### **Disadvantages.**

Prone to leaking.



# REPLACEMENT HAIRY ROPE SYSTEM.



# PACK OUT USING COTTON.



# COUNTER WHEEL.



# FINAL STAGE OF GROW OUT.





# A WIN FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

**“HAIRY ROPE” SYSTEM**

**REDUCED OUR USE OF PLASTICS IN THE  
FARMING OF ROPE MUSSELS**

**BY 95%.**

# HARVESTING CROP FROM HAIRY ROPE.



**“Bay USER FORUM”  
ORGANISED  
ANNUAL SHORE CLEANUP.**

- SHORELINE RESIDENTS.
- MUSSEL FARMERS .
- TOURISM GROUPS.
- TRANSITION YEAR STUDENTS.
- VOLUNTEERS.
- PORT COMPANY .
- BIM.
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT –Litter Warden.

# ANNUAL SHORE CLEANUP.

- Transition Year Students.



# MY WALK ON THE SHORELINE OF BANTRY BAY.

**VOLUME OF PLASTICS IN 1 KM OF SHORELINE  
INCLUDING 1 PIECE OF OLD MUSSEL MESH.**

**PROBABLY 10 SMALL ITEMS .**



# MY DOG CHARLIE WHO TAKES ME WALKING.

