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**POTRZEBY MONITORINGU ICHTIOFAUNY
W ŚWIETLE DYREKTYWY WODNEJ UNII EUROPEJSKIEJ**

**DEMANDS OF FISH FAUNA MONITORING IN THE LIGHT
OF WATER DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION**

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ABSTRACT

Selected parts of the draft outline of Water Directive of the European Union is described. The directive assumes biological component as basic for assessment of water environment while chemical, physico-chemical and hydromorphological estimates are considered as auxiliary. The most serious limitation of applying the new classification of water quality is the small number of research teams that could perform biological monitoring, especially concerning fish. The number of sites in the country's monitoring web of surface waters reaches over 300 cross-sections.