REGULATION (EEC) No 645/73 OF THE COMMISSION

of 2 March 1973

determining landing areas for fishery products which are very distant from the main centres of consumption in the Community and fixing the withdrawal prices, referred to in Article 10 (4) of Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70, which are to be applied in those areas

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community ;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70 (1) of 20 October 1970 on the common organization of the market in fishery products as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 220/73 (2), and in particular Article 10 (5) thereof ;

Whereas, in order to ensure that producers in landing areas which are very distant from the main centres of consumption in the Community have access to markets under satisfactory conditions, the withdrawal price referred to in the first subparagraph of Article 10 (4) of Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70 may be multiplied by quality conversion factors for these areas ; whereas, the information available to the Commission on the outlets for fishery products leads to the conclusion that this system of adjusted withdrawal prices should be adopted for some products and for some areas in the Community ; whereas having regard to the lack of experience in these matters it is appropriate to limit the duration of validity of the present Regulation to the year 1973 ;

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 135/73 (3) of 15 January 1973 laying down general rules for determining landing areas for fishery products which are very distant from the main centres of consumption in the Community provides that these landing areas shall be determined taking account of distances between landing areas and the main centres of consumption in the Community, specific conditions affecting transport which may hinder access to markets under satisfactory conditions, the special structural situation of certain areas which may affect adversely the normal market for production, the structure of supply and demand and, in particular, the conditions in which a balanced supply to Community markets may be ensured ;

Whereas the quality conversion factors abovementioned should be determined in such a manner that differences between the prices converted correspond with price variations estimated, under normal conditions of production, on the basis of the natural development of market prices ; whereas to this end the following quality conversion factors should be used, their numerical order corresponding to that of the areas listed in the Annex to this Regulation :

1. 0·41
2. 0·63
3. 0·63
4. 0·68
5. 0·45

Whereas the quality conversion factors should be applied without prejudice to factors differentiating withdrawal prices according to commercial specifications ;

Whereas the landing areas which are very distant from the main centres of consumption in the Community should be determined and the withdrawal prices to be applied in each area should be fixed ;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the Opinion of the Management Committee for Fishery Products ;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

The landing areas which are very distant from the main centres of consumption within the meaning

(1) OJ No L 236, 27. 10. 1970, p. 5.
(2) OJ No L 27, 1. 2. 1973, p. 1.
(3) OJ No L 18, 23. 1. 1973, p. 1.

of the second subparagraph of Article 10 (4) of Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70, the withdrawal prices to be applied in these areas, and the products to which they refer are listed in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

This Regulation shall apply from 1 February 1973 until 31 December 1973.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 2 March 1973.

For the Commission

The President

François-Xavier ORTOLI

ANNEX

Species	Commercial characteristics (1)			Landing areas	Withdrawal Price u.a./t
	Freshness category	Size	Presentation		
Herring	All categories	1	Whole	(1) All coastal areas of and islands off Ireland, Northern Ireland and Great Britain north of a line from Loophead (west coast of Ireland) through Wicklow Head (east coast of Ireland) and Fleetwood (west coast of England) to Berwick-on-Tweed (east coast of England); with the exception of the Isle of Man.	58
	All categories	2	Whole		55
	All categories	3	Whole		48
	All categories	All sizes	Other		
	All categories	1	Whole		89
	All categories	2	Whole		84
	All categories	3	Whole		
	All categories	All sizes	Other	(2) Coastal areas and islands south of a line from Loophead to Wicklow Head in Ireland and the coastal areas of Wales.	74
Mackerel	Extra	1, 2, 3	Whole	(3) Coastal areas of and islands off Ireland, Northern Ireland and the counties of Devon and Cornwall in Great Britain.	
	A	1, 2, 3	Whole in original boxes		91
	A	1, 2	Whole		
	B	1	Whole		
	B	2	Whole		81
	A	3	Whole		
	B	3	Whole		
	Extra	4	Whole		75
	A	4	Whole in original boxes		
	A, B	4	Whole		59
	All categories	All sizes	Other		

Species	Commercial characteristics (1)			Landing areas	Withdrawal Price u.a./t
	Freshness category	Size	Presentation		
Whiting	Extra, A, B	1, 2	Gutted with head	(4) Coastal areas of Ireland, Northern Ireland, the coastal area from Whitehaven to Wick in North Eastern Scotland and the islands to the north and west of these areas; with the exception of the Isle of Man.	112
	Extra, A	3	Gutted with head		
	Extra, A	1, 2	Whole		
	B	3	Gutted with head		101
	Extra, A	3	Whole		
	Extra, A	4	Gutted with head		86
	B	1, 2, 3	Whole		
	Extra, A	4	Whole		
	B	4	Gutted with head		63
	B	4	Whole		
	All categories	All sizes	Other		
Sardines (Atlantic)	Extra, A	2	Whole	(5) Coastal areas of and islands off the counties of Devon and Cornwall in Great Britain.	128
	Extra	3	Whole		98
	Extra	1, 4	Whole		83
	A	3	Whole		
	A	1, 4	Whole		52
	B	All sizes	Whole		
	All categories	All sizes	Other		

(1) The freshness categories, sizes and presentation are those defined pursuant to Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70.