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COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 273/81

of 30 January 1981

adjusting the common marketing standards for certain fresh or chilled fish

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 100/76 on the common organization of the markets in fishery products (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3443/80 (2), and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Whereas common marketing standards for certain fresh or chilled fish were laid down in Council Regulation (EEC) No 103/76 (3), as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3049/79 (4);

Whereas application of these standards should have the effect of keeping products of unsatisfactory quality off the market and facilitating trade relations based on fair competition, thus helping to improve the profitability of production;

Whereas, under Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 100/76, these standards may be adjusted to take account of the requirements of production techniques; whereas changes have been noted especially in respect of redfish and sardines; whereas, therefore, the sizing of these products should be adjusted;

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

Annex B to Regulation (EEC) No 103/76 is hereby amended as follows in respect of redfish and sardines:

(1) OJ No L 20, 28. 1. 1976, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 359, 31. 12. 1980, p. 13.
(3) OJ No L 20, 28. 1. 1976, p. 29.
(4) OJ No L 343, 31. 12. 1979, p. 22.

	Redfish	
	kg/fish	
Size 1	2 and over	
Size 2	From 0·6 up to but excluding 2	
Size 3	From 0·4 up to but excluding 0·6	
Size 4	Less than 0·4	
	Sardines	
	kg/fish	Number of fish to kg
Size 1	0·100 and over	10 or less
Size 2	From 0·055 up to but excluding 0·100	11 to 18
Size 3	From 0·031 up to but excluding 0·055	19 to 32
Size 4	Less than 0·031	33 and over

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 2 February 1981.

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

Done at Brussels, 30 January 1981.

For the Commission

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