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COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 3860/88

of 9 December 1988

fixing the guide prices for the fishery products listed in Annex I (A), (D) and (E) of Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81 for the 1989 fishing year

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81 of 29 December 1981 on the common organization of the market in fishery products (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3468/88 (2), and in particular Article 10 (3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas Article 10 (1) and (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81 provides that a guide price shall be fixed for each of the products listed in Annex I (A), (D) and (E) of the Regulation at a level which will help to stabilize market prices and avoid the formation of surpluses in the Community; whereas that level must also help support producers' income and at the same time take account of consumers' interest;

Whereas the guide price shall be based on the average of prices as defined in Article 10 (2) of that Regulation and on an assessment of production and demand prospects;

Whereas the application of the criteria laid down in Article 10 of Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81 and referred to above involves for the 1989 fishing year an increase for certain products and the stabilization or decrease of prices for others compared with prices applicable during the current fishing year; whereas, in the absence of certain information concerning price trends for each fishery product with given commercial characteristics, consideration should be given to the relationship between the average weighted market prices recorded when the guide prices were fixed for the previous fishing year for these products, and the average weighted market prices recorded currently;

Whereas in accordance with Articles 169 and 356 of the Act of Accesion, a fourth approximation of guide prices must take place on 1 January 1989 for Atlantic sardines of the species *Sardina pilchardus* and anchovies (*Engraulis* spp.),

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The guide prices for the fishing year from 1 January to 31 December 1989 for the products listed in Annex I (A), (D) and (E) to Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81 and the categories to which they relate are fixed in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1989.

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

Done at Brussels, 9 December 1988.

For the Council

The President

Y. POTTAKIS

(1) OJ No L 379, 31. 12. 1981, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 305, 10. 11. 1988, p. 1.

ANNEX

Species	Commercial specifications (1)			Guide price (Ecu/tonne)
	Freshness category	Size	Presentation	
1. Herrings of the species *Clupea harengus*	Extra, A	1	Whole fish	From 1 January to 31 July 1989 and from 1 October to 31 December 1989: 270 From 1 August to 30 September 1989: 246
2. Sardines of the species *Sardina pilchardus*				
(a) Atlantic				
— Member States other than Spain and Portugal	Extra	3	Whole fish	492
— Spain, Portugal	Extra	3	Whole fish	367
(b) Mediterranean	Extra	3	Whole fish	459
3. Picked dogfish *(Squalus acanthias)*	Extra, A	2	Whole fish Gutted fish with head	852
4. Catshanks *(Scyliorhinus* spp.)	Extra, A	1	Whole fish Gutted fish with head	774
5. Redfish *(Sebastes* spp.)	A	2	Whole fish	889
6. Cod of the species *Gadus morhua*	A	2	Gutted fish with head	1 230
	or			
	A	3	Gutted fish with head	
7. Coalfish *(Pollachius virens)*	A	2	Gutted fish with head	648
	or			
	A	3	Gutted fish with head	
8. Haddock *(Melanogrammus aeglefinus)*	A	2	Gutted fish with head	886
	or			
	A	3	Gutted fish with head	
9. Whiting *(Merlangus merlangus)*	A	2	Gutted fish with head	799
	or			
	A	3	Gutted fish with head	
10. Ling *(Molva* spp.)	Extra, A	1, 2	Gutted fish with head	920
11. Mackerel of the species *Scomber scombrus*	Extra	1	Whole fish	269
	or			
	A	2	Whole fish	
12. Mackerel of the species *Scomber japonicus*	Extra	1	Whole fish	323
	or			
	A	2	Whole fish	
13. Anchovies *(Engraulis* spp.)				
— Member States other than Spain	Extra	2	Whole fish	833
— Spain	Extra	2	Whole fish	961

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14. Plaice *(Pleuronectes platessa)*	A	2	Gutted fish with head	From 1 January to 30 April 1989: 774
	or A	3	Gutted fish with head	From 1 May to 31 December 1989: 1 055
15. Hake of the species *Merluccius merluccius*	A	1	Gutted fish with head	2 958
16. Megrim *(Lepidorhombus* spp.)	Extra, A	1, 2	Whole fish, gutted fish with head	1 869
17. Ray's bream *(Brama* spp.)	Extra, A	1	Whole fish	1 500
18. Monkfish *(Lophius* spp.)	Extra, A	2, 3	Whole, gutted, with head	2 121
	Extra, A	2, 3	Without head	5 040
19. Shrimps of the species *Crangon crangon*	A	1	Simply boiled in water	1 545
20. Edible crab *(Cancer pagurus)*	—	1	Whole	1 500
21. Norway lobster *(Nephrops norvegicus)*	E, A	1, 2	Whole	4 400
	E, A	2	Tails	10 070

(1) The freshness categories, sizes and presentation are defined pursuant to Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81.