STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1978 No. 1285

SEA FISHERIES

BOATS AND METHODS OF FISHING

The Haddock (North Sea) Licensing Order 1978

Made - - - -	30*th August* 1978
Laid before Parliament	5*th September* 1978
Coming into Operation	18*th September* 1978

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, and the Secretaries of State respectively concerned with the sea fishing industry in Scotland and Northern Ireland, and the Secretary of State for Wales, jointly in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 4 and 15 of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967(**a**), (as section 15 is amended by section 22(1) of, and paragraph 38 of Pt II of Schedule 1 to the Sea Fisheries Act 1968(**b**) and as sections 4 and 15 are amended by sections 3 and 9(1) of and paragraph 16(1) of Schedule 2 to the Fishery Limits Act 1976(**c**)) and now vested in them by virtue of article 2(3) of the Transfer of Functions (Wales) (No1) Order 1978(**d**), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf hereby make the following order:—

Citation and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the Haddock (North Sea) Licensing Order 1978 and shall come into operation on 18th September 1978.

Interpretation

2. The Interpretation Act 1889(**e**) shall apply for the interpretation of this order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Prohibition of fishing without a licence

3. Subject to the provisions of article 4 below during the period from and after the date of coming into effect of this order, fishing by British boats registered in the United Kingdom for haddock (melanogrammus aeglefinus) in the area of the North Sea specified in the Schedule to this order is prohibited unless such fishing is authorised by a licence granted by one of the Ministers.

Exception from prohibition

4. The prohibition imposed in article 3 shall not apply to fishing by British fishing boats of registered length less than forty feet.

Enforcement

5. For the purposes of the enforcement of this order, there are hereby conferred on every British sea fishery officer all the powers of a British

(**a**) 1967 c. 84. (**b**) 1968 c. 77. (**c**) 1976 c. 86. (**d**) S.I. 1978/272.
(**e**) 1889 c. 63.

sea fishery officer under section 8(2) to (4) of the Sea Fisheries Act 1968, as subsection (4) is amended by section 9(1) of and paragraph 17(1) of Schedule 2 to the Fishery Limits Act 1976.

In Witness Whereof

The Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 24th August 1978.

John Silkin,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

22nd August 1978.

Bruce Millan,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

23rd August 1978.

Roy Mason,
Secretary of State for Northern Ireland.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Wales

Alec Jones,
30th August 1978. Parliamentary Under Secretary of State Welsh Office.

Article 3.

SCHEDULE

The waters bounded by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the coast of Norway and the parallel of 62° 00′ north latitude; thence due west to the meridian of 4° 00′ west longitude; thence due south to the coast of Scotland; thence in an easterly and southerly direction along the coasts of Scotland and England to the point of intersection of the south east coast of England and the parallel of 51° 00′ north latitude; thence due east to the coast of France; thence in a north-easterly direction along the coasts of France, Belgium, and the Netherlands and the Federal Republic of Germany to the western terminus of its boundary with Denmark; thence along the west coast of Jutland to Thyboren; thence in a southerly and easterly direction along the south coast of the Limfjord to Egensekloster Point; thence across the eastern entrance of the Limfjord to Hals; thence in a westerly direction along the north coast of the Limfjord to the southernmost point of Agger Tange; thence in a northerly direction along the west coast of Jutland to the point where the west coast of Jutland intersects the parallel of 57° 00′ north latitude; thence due west to the meridian of 8° 00′ east longitude; thence due north to the parallel of 57° 30′ north latitude; thence due west to the meridian of 7° 00′ east longitude; thence due north to the coast of Norway; thence in a north-westerly direction along the coast of Norway to the point of commencement.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Order.*)

This Order prohibits fishing by British fishing boats registered in the UK for haddock in the North Sea except under licence but exempts from this prohibition fishing by British fishing boats of registered length less than forty feet. The Order also confers powers on British sea fishery officers for the purposes of enforcement of the Order.

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