STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1975 No. 1646

SEA FISHERIES

BOATS AND METHODS OF FISHING

The Herring (Celtic Sea) Licensing Order 1975

Made - - - -	13*th October* 1975
Laid before Parliament	21*st October* 1975
Coming into Operation	12*th November* 1975

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretaries of State respectively concerned with the sea fishing industry in Scotland and Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 4 and 15 of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967**(a)** as the latter section is amended by section 22(1) of, and paragraph 38 of Schedule 1 to, the Sea Fisheries Act 1968**(b)** and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, being satisfied that substantially equivalent measures are being taken by governments of other countries concerned, hereby make the following Order:—

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Herring (Celtic Sea) Licensing Order 1975 and shall come into operation on 12th November 1975.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order "the Act" means the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889**(c)** shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Appointed day

3. The appointed day for the purposes of section 4 of the Act (which provides for the licensing of British fishing boats in relation to fishing by way of trade or business in specified areas) in conjunction with this Order, is 12th November 1975.

Area and fish

4. This Order applies to fishing in the area specified in the Schedule to this Order for herring (*Clupea harengus*).

(a) 1967 c. 84.
(b) 1968 c. 77.
(c) 1889 c. 63.

Enforcement

5. For the purpose of the enforcement of section 4 of the Act in conjunction with this Order, there are hereby conferred on every British sea-fishery officer the powers of a British sea-fishery officer under section 8(2) to (4) of the Sea Fisheries Act 1968.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 3rd October 1975.

(L.S.)

Frederick Peart,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

6th October 1975.

William Ross,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

13th October 1975.

Merlyn Rees,
Secretary of State for Northern Ireland.

Article 4

SCHEDULE

Specified area to which the Order applies:—

The area of sea lying to the south-east of the Republic of Ireland bounded by a line beginning at a point on the coast of the Republic of Ireland in 52° 30′ N latitude, thence due east to the coast of Wales, thence in a south-westerly and southerly direction along the coast of Wales to a point in 5° W longitude; thence due south to 51° N latitude; thence due west to 6° W longitude; thence due south to 50° 30′ N latitude; thence due west to 7° W longitude; thence due south to 49° 30′ N latitude; thence due east to 5° W longitude; thence due south to 48° N latitude; thence due west to 9° W longitude; thence due north to the coast of the Republic of Ireland; thence in a north-easterly direction along the coast of the Republic of Ireland to the point of beginning.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

Section 4 of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967 provides that from a day appointed by an order, no fishing boat registered in the United Kingdom shall be used by way of trade or business for fishing in any area specified in the order except under the authority of a licence granted by one of the fisheries Ministers.

This Order, which implements a recommendation of the North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission, appoints 12th November 1975 as the date from which no such fishing boat shall so fish for herring in the specified area of the Celtic Sea comprising the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea statistical divisions VII g and VII h and part of division VII a except under the authority of such a licence.

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