STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1977 No. 1388

SEA FISHERIES

BOATS AND METHODS OF FISHING

The Herring (Irish Sea) Licensing Order 1977

Made - - - -	8*th August* 1977
Laid before Parliament	12*th August* 1977
Coming into Operation	15*th August* 1977

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 section 15 is amended by section 22(1) of, and paragraph 38 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 of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following order:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Herring (Irish Sea) Licensing Order 1977 and shall come into operation on 15th August 1977.

(2) In this order "mile" means a nautical mile of 1,852 metres.

(3) The Interpretation Act 1889(**d**) shall apply to the interpretation of this order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament and as if this order and the order hereby revoked were Acts of Parliament.

Revocation

2. The Herring (North Irish Sea) Licensing Order 1976(**e**) is hereby revoked.

Prohibition of fishing without a licence

3. Fishing for herring *(Clupea harengus)* by British fishing boats in the area specified in the Schedule to this order is hereby prohibited unless such fishing is authorised by a licence granted by one of the Ministers.

Enforcement

4. For the purpose of the enforcement of 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 as subsection (4) is amended by section 9(1) of, and paragraph 17(1) of Schedule 2 to, the Fishery Limits Act 1976.

(**a**) 1967 c. 84. (**b**) 1968 c. 77. (**c**) 1976 c. 86. (**d**) 1889 c. 63.
(**e**) S.I. 1976/1322 (1976 II, p. 3715).

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 8th August 1977.

(L.S.)

John Silkin,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

2nd August 1977.

Bruce Millan,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

4th August 1977.

Roy Mason,
Secretary of State for Northern Ireland.

Article 3

SCHEDULE

The area bounded in the north by the parallel of 55° north latitude and the south west coast of Scotland; in the east by the coasts of England and Wales; in the south by the parallel of 52° 30′ north latitude; and in the west by the coasts of the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland; but excluding those parts of the area which lie within twelve miles of the baselines from which are measured the breadth of the territorial seas adjacent respectively to the Isle of Man, Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order prohibits fishing for herring in the specified area of the Irish Sea by British fishing boats unless authorised by a licence granted by one of the Fisheries Ministers.

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