STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1974 No. 881

SEA FISHERIES

LANDING AND SALE OF SEA-FISH

The North Sea Herring (Restrictions on Landing) Order 1974

Made - - - -	20*th May* 1974
Laid before Parliament	30*th May* 1974
Coming into Operation	16*th June* 1974

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 6 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 Part II of Schedule 1 to, the Sea Fisheries Act 1968**(b)** and all other powers enabling them in that behalf, after consultation with the Secretary of State for Trade **(c)**, hereby make the following order:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the North Sea Herring (Restrictions on Landing) Order 1974 and shall come into operation on 16th June 1974.

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

Prohibition of Landings

2. As from 16th June 1974 the landing in the United Kingdom of any herring (clupea harengus) caught in the waters comprised in the North Sea being the area described in the Schedule to this order, is prohibited, but this prohibition shall not apply to the landing of herring so caught, which are landed within 24 hours of being so caught, and herring which, though not so landed, were, immediately on being so caught, packed in ice in boxes, stored in a refrigerated sea water tank or otherwise processed in such a way as to secure preservation for human consumption.

(a) 1967 c. 84. **(b)** 1968 c. 77.

(c) For transfer of functions from the Board of Trade to the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, and subsequently to the Secretary of State for Trade, *see* the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry Order 1970 (S.I.1970/1537 (1970 III, p. 5293)) and the Secretary of State (New Departments) Order 1974 (S.I.1974/692)(1974 I, p. 2711).

(d) 1889 c. 63.

Powers of British Sea-Fishery Officers

3. 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 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 20th May 1974.

(L.S.)

Frederick Peart,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

William Ross,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

15th May 1974.

Merlyn Rees,
Secretary of State for Northern Ireland.

17th May 1974.

Article 2.

SCHEDULE

THE NORTH SEA

The area of sea contained within a line drawn from a position having the co-ordinates of 62° north latitude and 4° west longitude, due south to the north coast of Scotland, thence generally south-eastwards along the north and east coasts of Scotland and the east coast of England, thence westwards along the south coast of England to the meridian of 1° west longitude, thence due south to the coast of France, thence generally in a north-easterly direction along the coasts of France, Belgium, the Netherlands, the Federal Republic of Germany and Denmark to Skagen Point, thence along a rhumb line to the Pater Noster Lighthouse on the coast of Sweden, thence generally in a north-westerly, south-westerly and northerly direction along the coasts of Sweden and Norway to the parallel of 62° north latitude, thence due west to the meridian of 4° west longitude.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order bans the landing in the United Kingdom of North Sea herring as from 16th June 1974 unless such herring are landed within 24 hours of being caught or if landed later were, on being caught, immediately packed in ice in boxes, stored in refrigerated sea water tanks or otherwise processed in such a way as to secure preservation for human consumption.

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