STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1977 No. 624

SEA FISHERIES

BOATS AND METHODS OF FISHING

The Sea Fishing (Specified Foreign Boats) Licensing (No. 2) Order 1977

Made - - - -	31*st March* 1977
Laid before Parliament	31*st March* 1977
Coming into Operation	1*st April* 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 and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the Sea Fishing (Specified Foreign Boats) Licensing (No. 2) Order 1977 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1977.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this order—

"British fishery limits" means the fishery limits set by or under the Fishery Limits Act 1976;

"mile" means a nautical mile of 1,852 metres;

"ICES areas" means those statistical areas of the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea(**d**) which are referred to by their short names in column 1 of Schedule 1 to this order and are described in column 2 of Schedule 1 opposite the reference to their short names, but excluding any part of those areas which is within 12 miles from the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea adjacent to the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man is measured or which is outside British fishery limits.

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

(**a**) 1967 c. 84. (**b**) 1968 c. 77. (**c**) 1976 c. 86.
(**d**) Cmnd 2586. (**e**) 1889 c. 63.

Prohibition of fishing without a licence

3. During the period 1st April 1977 to 31st May 1977, both dates inclusive, fishing by fishing boats registered in any of the countries specified in column 1 of Schedule 2 to this order in any of the ICES areas specified in column 2 of Schedule 2 opposite the reference to that country for sea fish of a description specified in column 3 of Schedule 2 opposite the reference to that area 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.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 30th March 1977.

(L.S.)

John Silkin,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Bruce Millan,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

31st March 1977.

Roy Mason,
Secretary of State for Northern Ireland.

30th March 1977.

SCHEDULE 1

Article 2

Column 1 ICES areas	Column 2 Description
IV	The waters bounded by a line beginning at a point on the coast of Norway in 62° 00′ north latitude; thence due west to 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 a point in 51° 00′ north latitude; thence due east to the coast of France; thence in a north-easterly direction along the coasts of France, Belgium, 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 a point in 57° 00′ north latitude; thence due west to 8° 00′ east longitude; thence due north to 57° 30′ north latitude; thence due west to 7° 00′ east longitude; thence due north to the coast of Norway; thence in a northwesterly direction along the coast of Norway to the point of beginning.
Part of VIA	That part of ICES area VIA which is bounded by a line beginning at a point in 6° 00′ west longitude, 60° 00′ north latitude; thence due south to 58° 30′ north latitude; thence due west to 10° 00′ west longitude; thence due south to 56° 30′ north latitude; thence due west to 12° 00′ west longitude; thence due north to 60° 00′ north latitude; thence due east to the point of beginning.
VIB	The waters bounded by a line beginning at a point in 60° 00′ north latitude, 12° 00′ west longitude; thence due west to 18° 00′ west longitude; thence due south to 54° 30′ north latitude; thence due east to 12° 00′ west longitude; thence due north to the point of beginning.
Part of VIIJ	That part of ICES area VIIJ which is bounded by a line beginning at a point in 50° 30′ north latitude, 9° 00′ west longitude; thence due west to 12° 00′ west longitude; thence due south to 48° 00′ north latitude; thence due east to 9° 00′ west longitude; thence due north to the point of beginning.
VIIH	The waters bounded by a line beginning at a point in 49° 30′ north latitude, 5° 00′ west longitude; thence due west to 7° 00′ west longitude; thence due north to 50° 00′ north latitude; thence due west to 9° 00′ west longitude; thence due south to 48° 00′ north latitude; thence due east to 5° 00′ west longitude; thence due north to the point of beginning.
VIII	The waters bounded by a line beginning at a point on the coast of France in 48° 00′ north latitude; thence due west to 18° 00′ west longitude; thence due south to 43° 00′ north latitude; thence due east to the coast of Spain; thence in a northerly direction along the coasts of Spain and France to the point of beginning.

SCHEDULE 2

Article 3

Column 1 Countries	Column 2 ICES areas (as defined in article 2(1))	Column 3 Descriptions of fish
German Democratic Republic	IV	Saithe
	Part of VIA, VIB, part of VIIJ, VIIH, VIII	Mackerel, Horse mackerel
Poland	IV	Haddock, Mackerel, Saithe
	Part of VIA, VIB, part of VIIJ, VIIH, VIII	Mackerel, Horse mackerel
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	IV	Haddock, Mackerel, Saithe, Sprat, Whiting
	Part of VIA, VIB, part of VIIJ, VIIH, VIII	Mackerel, Horse mackerel

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order prohibits fishing by fishing boats registered in any of the countries mentioned in column 1 of Schedule 2 to this order in the areas specified in the order in relation to those countries for sea fish specified in relation to those areas during 1st April to 31st May 1977, both dates inclusive, unless authorised by a licence granted by one of the fisheries Ministers. The areas to which the order applies are those statistical areas of the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea which are referred to in column 1 of Schedule 1 to the order except that in the case of areas VIA and VIIJ the order applies only to that part of areas VIA and VIIJ which is described in column 2 of Schedule 1 opposite the reference to areas VIA and VIIJ and except that the order has no application to any part of those ICES areas which is within 12 miles from the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea adjacent to the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man is measured or which is outside British fishery limits. (Fishing by fishing boats of the above countries in the remaining areas within British fishery limits—or in the areas specified by this order for other descriptions of sea fish—is prohibited under section 2(2) of the Fishery Limits Act 1976 as the remaining areas and other sea fish are not designated under section 2(1) of that Act in relation to those countries).

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