STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1973 No. 1999

SEA FISHERIES

BOATS AND METHODS OF FISHING

The Sea Fishing (Specified Northern Waters) Prohibition Order 1973

Made - - -	*27th November* 1973
Laid before Parliament	*30th November* 1973
Coming into Operation	*1st December* 1973

Whereas it appears to the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretaries of State respectively concerned with the sea fishing industry in Scotland and Northern Ireland necessary or expedient to make this order for the purpose of giving effect to an Interim Agreement made on 13th November 1973 and now in force between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the government of Iceland(**a**);

NOW, therefore, the Ministers in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 5(1) and 15 of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967(**b**) (as the last mentioned section is amended by section 22(1) of, and paragraph 38 of Schedule 1 to, the Sea Fisheries Act 1968(**c**)), as together read with section 22(2) thereof, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby order as follows:—

Citation and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the Sea Fishing (Specified Northern Waters) Prohibition Order 1973 and shall come into operation on 1st December 1973.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this order—

"the baselines" means the lines drawn round the coast of Iceland so as to join successively, in the order in which they are there set out, the points identified by the co-ordinates of latitude and longitude in Schedule 1 to this order;

"mile" means nautical mile;

"the 12 mile line" means a line drawn round the coast of Iceland 12 miles from the baselines and extended seawards by lines drawn 12 miles from and around the Island of Grimsey (from its outermost headlands and skerries) and around Hvalbakur (64° 35.8′ north latitude 13° 16.7′ west longitude);

(a) Cmnd 5484. (b) 1967 c.84. (c) 1968 c.77.

"the 50 mile line" means a line drawn round the coast of Iceland 50 miles from the baselines and extended seawards by lines drawn 50 miles around Hvalbakur (64° 35.8′ north latitude 13° 16.7′ west longitude) and Kolbeinsey (67° 07.5′ north latitude 18° 36′ west longitude).

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

Prohibition

3.—(1) There is hereby prohibited, in relation to any area defined in column 1 of Part I of Schedule 2 to this order, for the period specified in column 2 of that Part opposite the area so defined, all fishing for sea fish within that area.

(2) Without prejudice to paragraph (1) of this Article, there is hereby also prohibited in relation to any area defined in column 1 of Part II of Schedule 2 (being an area included in, or partly included in, an area as defined in column 1 of Part I of Schedule 2) for the period specified in column 2 of the said Part II opposite the area so defined, all fishing for sea fish within that area.

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) and (3) of the Sea Fisheries Act 1968.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 27th November 1973.

(L.S.)

Joseph Godber,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

26th November 1973.

Gordon Campbell,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

26th November 1973.

W. S. I. Whitelaw,
Secretary of State for Northern Ireland.

(**a**) 1889 c. 63.

SCHEDULE 1

The Baselines

The baselines defined in Article 2(1) of this order are drawn by joining together successively, in the order in which they are set out below, the points identified by the following co-ordinates of latitude and longitude: –

1.	Horn	66° 27.4′ north	22° 24.5′ west
2.	Asbudarrif	66° 08.1′ north	20° 11.2′ west
3.	Siglunes	66° 11.9′ north	18° 50.1′ west
4.	Flatey	66° 10.3′ north	17° 50.5′ west
5.	Lagey	66° 17.8′ north	17° 07.0′ west
6.	Raudinupur	66° 30.7′ north	16° 32.5′ west
7.	Rifstangi	66° 32.3′ north	16° 11.9′ west
8.	Hraunhafnartangi	66° 32.3′ north	16° 01.6′ west
9.	Langanes	66° 22.6′ north	14° 32.0′ west
10.	Glettinganes	65° 30.6′ north	13° 36.4′ west
11.	Nordfjardarhorn	65° 10.0′ north	13° 31.0′ west
12.	Gerpir	65° 04.7′ north	13° 29.8′ west
13.	Holmur	64° 58.9′ north	13° 30.7′ west
14.	Setusker	64° 57.7′ north	13° 31.6′ west
15.	Thursasker	64° 54.1′ north	13° 36.9′ west
16.	Yztibodi	64° 35.2′ north	14° 01.6′ west
17.	Selsker	64° 32.8′ north	14° 07.1′ west
18.	Hvitingar	64° 23.8′ north	14° 28.1′ west
19.	Stokksnes	64° 14.1′ north	14° 58.5′ west
20.	Hrollaugseyjar	64° 01.7′ north	15° 58.8′ west
21.	Tvisker	63° 55.6′ north	16° 11.4′ west
22.	Ingolfshofdi	63° 47.8′ north	16° 38.6′ west
23.	Hvalsiki	63° 44.1′ north	17° 33.7′ west
24.	Medallandssandur I	63° 32.4′ north	17° 56.0′ west
25.	Medallandssandur II	63° 30.6′ north	18° 00.0′ west
26.	Myrnatangi	63° 27.4′ north	18° 12.0′ west
27.	Kotlutangi	63° 23.4′ north	18° 43.0′ west
28.	Lundadrangur	63° 23.5′ north	19° 07.6′ west
29.	Geirfuglasker	63° 19.0′ north	20° 30.1′ west
30.	Eldeyjardrangur	63° 43.8′ north	22° 59.6′ west
31.	Geirfugladrangur	63° 40.6′ north	23° 17.3′ west
32.	Skalasnagi	64° 51.3′ north	24° 02.6′ west
33.	Bjargtangar	65° 32.2′ north	24° 32.3′ west
34.	Kopanes	65° 48.3′ north	24° 06.3′ west
35.	Bardi	66° 03.7′ north	23° 47.6′ west
36.	Straumnes	66° 25.7′ north	23° 08.5′ west
37.	Kogur	66° 28.3′ north	22° 55.8′ west
38.	Horn	66° 27.9′ north	22° 28.5′ west

SCHEDULE 2

PART I

Column 1	Column 2
Area	Period
An area off the north-west coast of Iceland between the 12 mile line and the 50 mile line, and between the meridian of 22° 24′ west longitude anti-clockwise to the parallel of 65° 30′ north latitude.	The months of September and October in the years 1974 and 1975.
An area off the south-west coast of Iceland between the 12 mile line and the 50 mile line, and between the parallel of 65° 30′ north latitude anti-clockwise to the meridian of 20° 30′ west longitude.	From the date of the coming into operation of this order until 31st December 1973 (both dates inclusive); the months of November and December in the year 1974; 1st November 1975 to 13th November 1975 (both dates inclusive)
An area off the south coast of Iceland between the 12 mile line and the 50 mile line, and between the meridian of 20° 30′ west longitude anti-clockwise to the meridian of 14° 30′ west longitude.	The months of May and June in the years of 1974 and 1975.
An area off the south-east coast of Iceland between the 12 mile line and the 50 mile line, and between the meridian of 14° 30′ west longitude anti-clockwise to a line drawn 045 from Bjarnarey (65° 47.1′ north latitude 14° 18.2′ west longitude).	The months of January and February in the years 1974 and 1975.
An area off the north-east coast of Iceland between the 12 mile line and the 50 mile line, and between a line drawn 045° from Bjarnarey anti-clockwise to the meridian of 16° 11.8′ west longitude.	The months of July and August in the years 1974 and 1975.
An area off the north coast of Iceland between the 12 mile line and the 50 mile line, and between the meridian of 16° 11.8′ west longitude anti-clockwise to the meridian of 22° 24′ west longitude, but excluding therefrom the area within a radius of 12 miles from Kolbeinsey (67° 07.5′ north latitude 18° 36′ west longitude).	The months of March and April in the years 1974 and 1975.

PART II

Column 1	Column 2
Area	Period
An area off the north-west coast of Iceland demarcated by a line drawn between the positions 66° 57′ north latitude 23 36′ west longitude and 67° 01′ north latitude 22 24′ west longitude; a line drawn 340° from the position 66° 57′ north latitude 23 36′ west longitude; the meridian of 22° 24′ west longitude; the 50 mile line.	From the date of the coming into operation of this order until 13th November 1975 (both dates inclusive).
An area off the south coast of Iceland demarcated by the meridian of 22° 00′ west longitude; the parallel of 63 00′ north latitude; the meridian of 21° 25′ west longitude; the 12 mile line.	20th March to 20th April (both dates inclusive) in the years 1974 and 1975.
An area off the north-east coast of Iceland demarcated by the meridian of 16° 11.8′ west longitude; the 12 mile line; a line drawn 045° from Langanes (66 22.7′ north latitude 14° 31.9′ west longitude); the 50 mile line.	1st April to 1st June (both dates inclusive) in the years 1974 and 1975.
An area off the north-west coast of Iceland between the 12 mile line and a line drawn 20 miles from the baselines, and between the meridian of 22 24′ west longitude anti-clockwise to the parallel of 65° 30′ north latitude.	From the date of the coming into operation of this order until 13th November 1975 (both dates inclusive).
An area off the east coast of Iceland between the 12 mile line and a line drawn 20 miles from the baselines, and demarcated in the south by the 12 mile line around Hvalbakur (64° 35.8′ north latitude 13 16.7′ west longitude) and in the north by a line drawn 045° from Bjarnarey (65 47.1′ north latitude 14 18.2′ west longitude).	From the date of the coming into operation of this order until 13th November 1975 (both dates inclusive).
An area off the north coast of Iceland demarcated by a line drawn between the positions 66° 39.7′ north latitude 22 24′ west longitude and 66 23.8′ north latitude 18° 50′ west longitude; the 12 mile line.	From the date of the coming into operation of this order until 13th November 1975 (both dates inclusive).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order, made in implementation of an Agreement between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the government of Iceland, prohibits all fishing for sea fish in specified areas in the vicinity of Iceland during the periods mentioned in the Order.

By virtue of section 5(8) of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967 the prohibition applies to all British fishing boats registered in the United Kingdom and to fishing boats which are British owned but not registered under the Merchant Shipping Act 1894 (c.60).

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