



# Fisheries Act 2020

## 2020 CHAPTER 22

### *Licensing of fishing boats*

#### **16 Foreign fishing boats required to be licensed if within British fishery limits**

- (1) Fishing within British fishery limits by a foreign fishing boat is prohibited unless authorised by a licence.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply to fishing in waters lying within 12 miles of the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea adjacent to the Isle of Man is measured.
- (3) The Secretary of State may by regulations amend this section so as to add, remove or vary exceptions to the prohibition in subsection (1).
- (4) Regulations under subsection (3) may not be made without the consent of—
  - (a) the Scottish Ministers,
  - (b) the Welsh Ministers, and
  - (c) the Northern Ireland department.
- (5) Regulations under subsection (3) are subject to the affirmative resolution procedure.
- (6) Where a boat is used in contravention of subsection (1), the master, the owner and the charterer (if any) are each guilty of an offence.
- (7) For further provision about an offence under subsection (6) (including provision as to penalties), see sections 19 to 21.
- (8) In this section “licence” means a licence granted under section 17.