

Council Regulation (EC) No 1100/2007 of 18 September 2007  
establishing measures for the recovery of the stock of European eel

*Article 8*

**Measures concerning Community waters**

1 Where a Member State operates a fishery in Community waters that catches eel, the Member State shall either reduce fishing effort by at least 50 % relative to the average effort deployed from 2004 to 2006 or reduce fishing effort to ensure a reduction of eel catches by at least 50 % relative to the average catch from 2004 to 2006. This reduction is to be achieved gradually, initially by steps of 15 % per year in the first two years over a 5-year period, from 1 July 2009.

2 For the purposes of paragraph 1, Community waters are those waters seaward of the boundary of those eel river basins which constitute natural eel habitats as defined by Member States according to Article 2(1).

**Changes to legislation:**

There are outstanding changes not yet made to Council Regulation (EC) No 1100/2007. Any changes that have already been made to the legislation appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- Regulation applied (with modifications) by [S.I. 2023/959 reg. 4\(a\)Sch. 1](#)
- Art. 8 heading words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 14\(8\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 8(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 14\(8\)\(b\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 8(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 14\(8\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 8(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 14\(8\)\(c\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 8(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 14\(8\)\(c\)\(ii\)](#)

**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole legislation item and associated provisions**

- Art. 1A inserted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 14\(3\)](#)
- Art. 9(1)(a) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 14\(9\)\(a\)\(ii\)\(aa\)](#)
- Art. 9(1)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 14\(9\)\(a\)\(ii\)\(bb\)](#)
- Art. 9(1)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 14\(9\)\(a\)\(ii\)\(cc\)](#)
- Art. 9(1)(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 14\(9\)\(a\)\(iii\)](#)
- Art. 9(1)(c) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 14\(9\)\(a\)\(iv\)](#)