

Council Regulation(EC) No 41/2007 of 21 December 2006 fixing for 2007 the fishing opportunities and associated conditions for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, applicable in Community waters and, for Community vessels, in waters where catch limitations are required

CHAPTER VI

SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR COMMUNITY VESSELS FISHING IN THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA

Article 26

Establishment of a closed season for the dolphinfish fisheries using fish aggregating devices

1 In order to protect dolphinfish (*Coryphaena hippurus*), in particular small fish, [^{X1}dolphinfish fisheries] using fish aggregating devices (FADs) shall be prohibited from 1 January 2007 to 14 August 2007, in all geographical sub-areas of the GFCM Agreement zone.

2 By way of derogation from paragraph 1, if a Member State can demonstrate that, due to bad weather, the fishing vessels flying its flag were unable to utilise their normal fishing days, that Member State may carry over days lost by its vessels in FAD fisheries until 31 January of the following year. Member States wishing to benefit from this carry-over shall submit to the Commission before 1 January 2008 an application for the additional number of days on which a vessel will be authorised to fish dolphinfish by using FADs during the prohibition period from 1 January 2008 until 31 January 2008. Such an application shall be accompanied by the following information:

- a a report containing the details of the cessation of the fishing activities in question, including appropriate supporting meteorological information;
- b name of the vessel;
- c registration number;
- d external identification letters and numbers as defined in Annex I to Commission Regulation (EC) No 26/2004 of 30 December 2003 on the Community fishing fleet register⁽¹⁾.

The Commission shall forward the information obtained from the Member States to the GFCM Executive Secretariat.

3 Before 1 November 2007 Member States shall send the Commission a report on the implementation of the measures referred to in paragraph 1.

Editorial Information

- X1** Substituted by [Corrigendum to the Council Regulation \(EC\) No 41/2007 of 21 December 2006 fixing for 2007 the fishing opportunities and associated conditions for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, applicable in Community waters and, for Community vessels, in waters where catch limitations are required \(Official Journal of the European Union L 15 of 20 January 2007\)](#).

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Article 27

Establishment of fisheries restrictive areas in order to protect deep sea sensitive habitats.

1 Fishing with towed dredges and bottom trawl nets shall be prohibited in the areas bounded by lines joining the following coordinates:

- a Deep Sea fisheries restricted area 'Lophelia reef off Capo Santa Maria di Leuca'
 - 39° 27.72' N, 18° 10.74' E
 - 39° 27.80' N, 18° 26.68' E
 - 39° 11.16' N, 18° 04.28' E
 - 39° 11.16' N, 18° 35.58' E
- b Deep Sea fisheries restricted area 'The Nile delta area cold hydrocarbon seeps'
 - 31° 30.00' N, 33° 10.00' E
 - 31° 30.00' N, 34° 00.00' E
 - 32° 00.00' N, 34° 00.00' E
 - 32° 00.00' N, 33° 10.00' E
- c Deep Sea fisheries restricted area 'The Eratosthemes Seamount'
 - 33° 00.00' N, 32° 00.00' E
 - 33° 00.00' N, 33° 00.00' E
 - 34° 00.00' N, 33° 00.00' E
 - 34° 00.00' N, 32° 00.00' E

2 Member States shall take the measures necessary for the protection of deep sea sensitive habitats in the areas referred to in paragraph 1 and in particular shall ensure that they protect these areas from the impacts of any other than fishing activity jeopardizing the conservation of the features that characterize these particular habitats.

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- (1) [OJ L 5, 9.1.2004, p. 25](#). Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1799/2006 ([OJ L 341, 7.12.2006, p. 26](#)).

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