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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 43(3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) Council Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 of 20 December 2002 on the conservation and sustainable exploitation of fisheries resources under the Common Fisheries Policy<sup>(1)</sup> requires that measures governing access to waters and resources and the sustainable pursuit of fishing activities be established taking into account available scientific, technical and economic advice and, in particular, reports drawn up by the Scientific, Technical and Economic Committee for Fisheries (STECF), as well as in the light of any advice received from Regional Advisory Councils.
- (2) It is incumbent upon the Council to adopt measures on the fixing and allocation of fishing opportunities, including certain conditions functionally linked thereto, as appropriate. Fishing opportunities should be distributed among Member States in such a way as to assure each Member State relative stability of fishing activities for each stock or fishery and having due regard to the objectives of the Common Fisheries Policy established in Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002.
- (3) The total allowable catch (TACs) should be established on the basis of available scientific advice, taking into account biological and socio-economic aspects whilst ensuring fair treatment between fishing sectors, as well as in the light of the opinions expressed during the consultation of stakeholders, in particular at the meetings of the Regional Advisory Councils concerned.
- (4) For stocks subject to specific multiannual plans, the TACs should be established in accordance with the rules laid down in those plans. Consequently, the TACs for stocks of Southern hake, of Norway lobster, of sole in the Western Channel, of herring to the west of Scotland and of cod in the Kattegat, to the west of Scotland and in the Irish Sea should be established in accordance with the rules laid down in: Council Regulation (EC) No 2166/2005 of 20 December 2005 establishing measures for the recovery of the Southern hake and Norway lobster stocks in the Cantabrian Sea and

Western Iberian peninsula<sup>(2)</sup>; Council Regulation (EC) No 509/2007 of 7 May 2007 establishing a multi-annual plan for the sustainable exploitation of the stock of sole in the Western Channel<sup>(3)</sup>; Council Regulation (EC) No 1300/2008 of 18 December 2008 establishing a multi-annual plan for the stock of herring distributed to the west of Scotland and the fisheries exploiting that stock<sup>(4)</sup>; and Council Regulation (EC) No 1342/2008 of 18 December 2008 establishing a long-term plan for cod stocks and the fisheries exploiting those stocks<sup>(5)</sup> (the "Cod Plan"). With regard, however, to the stocks of northern hake (Regulation (EC) No 811/2004<sup>(6)</sup> and sole in the Bay of Biscay (Regulation (EC) No 388/2006<sup>(7)</sup>, the minimum targets of the relevant recovery and management plans have been reached and, therefore, it is appropriate to follow scientific advice provided in order to achieve or maintain the TACs at maximum sustainable yield levels, as the case may be.

- (5) For stocks for which there is no sufficient or reliable data in order to provide size estimates, management measures and TAC levels should follow the precautionary approach to fisheries management as defined in point (i) of Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002, while taking into account stock-specific factors, including, in particular, available information on stock trends and mixed fisheries considerations.
- (6) In accordance with Article 2 of Council Regulation (EC) No 847/96 of 6 May 1996 introducing additional conditions for year-to-year management of TACs and quotas<sup>(8)</sup>, the stocks that are subject to the various measures referred to therein should be identified.
- (7) Where a TAC relating to a stock is allocated to one Member State only, it is appropriate to empower that Member State in accordance with Article 2(1) of the Treaty to determine the level of such TAC. Provisions should be made to ensure that, when fixing that TAC level, the Member State concerned acts in a manner fully consistent with the principles and rules of the Common Fisheries Policy.
- (8)For certain TACs Member States should be allowed to grant additional allocations for vessels participating in trials on fully documented fisheries. The aim of those trials is to test a catch-quota system, i.e. a system where all catches should be landed and counted against quotas in order to avoid discards and the waste of otherwise usable fish resources they entail. Uncontrolled discards of fish are a threat to the long term sustainability of fish as a public good and thus to the Common Fisheries Policy objectives. By contrast, catch-quota systems inherently present the fishers with an incentive to optimise the catch selectivity of their operations. In order to achieve a rational management of discards, a fully documented fishery should cover every operation at sea, rather than what is landed at port. The conditions for Member States to grant such additional allocations should therefore include an obligation to ensure the use of close circuit television cameras (CCTV) associated to a system of sensors (jointly referred to as "CCTV system"). This should enable the recording, in detail, of all retained and discarded parts of catches. A system based on human observers operating in real time on board would be less efficient, more costly, and less reliable. Consequently, the use of CCTV systems is, at this time, a prerequisite for the achievement of discard reduction schemes such as fully documented fisheries. In the use of such system, the requirements

of Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 1995 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data<sup>(9)</sup> should be complied with.

- (9) In order to ensure that trials of fully documented fisheries can effectively evaluate the potential of catch-quota systems to control the absolute fishing mortality of the stocks concerned, it is necessary for all fish caught in those trials, including those under minimum landing size, to be counted against the total allocation assigned to the participating vessel, and for fishing operations to cease when that total allocation has been fully utilised by that vessel. It is also appropriate to allow transfers of allocations between vessels participating in the fully documented fisheries trials and non-participating vessels provided that it can be demonstrated that discards by nonparticipating vessels do not increase.
- (10) It is necessary to establish the fishing effort ceilings for 2013 in accordance with Article 8 of Regulation (EC) No 2166/2005, Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 509/2007, Articles 11 and 12 of Regulation (EC) No 1342/2008, while taking into account Council Regulation (EC) No 754/2009 of 27 July 2009 excluding certain groups of vessels from the fishing effort regime laid down in Chapter III of Regulation (EC) No 1342/2008<sup>(10)</sup>.
- (11) For certain species, such as certain species of sharks, even a limited fishing activity could result in a serious risk to their conservation. Fishing opportunities for such species should therefore be fully restricted through a general prohibition on fishing those species.
- (12) Since the four TAC areas for the northern stock of hake correspond to the same biological stock, it is appropriate, in order to guarantee full use of the fishing opportunities, to allow the implementation of a flexible arrangement for Member States involved in this fishery between the TAC for IIIa, EU waters of Subdivisions 22-32 and the TAC for EU waters of IIa and IV.
- (13) Fishing opportunities should be used in full compliance with the applicable law of the Union.
- (14) The use of fishing opportunities available to EU vessels set out in this Regulation is subject to Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 of 20 November 2009 establishing a Community control system for ensuring compliance with the rules of the common fisheries policy<sup>(11)</sup>, and in particular to Articles 33 and 34 of that Regulation, concerning the recording of catches and fishing effort and the notification of data on the exhaustion of fishing opportunities. It is therefore necessary to specify the codes to be used by Member States when sending data to the Commission relating to landings of stocks subject to this Regulation.
- (15) In order to ensure uniform conditions for the implementation concerning the granting to an individual Member State an authorisation to benefit from the system of managing its fishing effort allocations in accordance with a kilowatt days system, implementing powers should be conferred on the Commission.
- (16) In order to ensure uniform conditions for the implementation of this Regulation, implementing powers should be conferred on the Commission relating to granting of

additional days at sea for permanent cessation of fishing activities and for enhanced scientific observer coverage as well as to establishing the formats of spreadsheet for the collection and transmission of information concerning transfer of days at sea between fishing vessels flying the flag of a Member State. Those powers should be exercised in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 February 2011 laying down the rules and general principles concerning mechanisms for control by Member States of the Commission's exercise of implementing powers<sup>(12)</sup>.

(17) In order to avoid the interruption of fishing activities and to ensure the livelihood of the fishermen of the Union, this Regulation should apply from 1 January 2013, except for the provisions concerning fishing effort limits, which should apply from 1 February 2013. For reasons of urgency, this Regulation should enter into force immediately after its publication,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

## TITLE I

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### Article 1

#### Subject matter

1 This Regulation fixes the fishing opportunities available to EU vessels for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks which are not subject to international negotiations or agreements.

- 2 The fishing opportunities referred to in paragraph 1 shall include:
  - a catch limits for the year 2013;
  - b fishing effort limits for the period from 1 February 2013 to 31 January 2014.

#### Article 2

#### Scope

This Regulation shall apply to EU vessels.

#### Article 3

#### Definitions

For the purposes of this Regulation the following definitions shall apply:

(a) 'EU vessel' means a fishing vessel flying the flag of a Member State and registered in the Union;

- (b) 'EU waters' means waters under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of the Member States with the exception of waters adjacent to the overseas countries and territories listed in Annex II to the Treaty;
- (c) 'total allowable catch' (TAC) means the quantity that can be taken and landed from each fish stock each year;
- (d) 'quota' means a proportion of the TAC allocated to the Union or a Member State;
- (e) 'international waters' means waters falling outside the sovereignty or jurisdiction of any State;
- (f) 'mesh size' means the mesh size of fishing nets as determined in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 517/2008<sup>(13)</sup>;
- (g) 'EU fishing fleet register' means the register set up by the Commission in accordance with Article 15(3) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002;
- (h) 'fishing logbook' means the logbook referred to in Article 14 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009;
- (i) 'analytical assessments' means a quantitative evaluation of trends in a given stock, based on data about the stock's biology and exploitation, which scientific review has indicated to be of sufficient quality to provide scientific advice on options for future catches.

#### Article 4

# **Fishing zones**

For the purposes of this Regulation the following zone definitions shall apply:

- (a) ICES (International Council for the Exploration of the Sea) zones are the geographical areas specified in Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 218/2009<sup>(14)</sup>;
- (b) 'Skagerrak' means the geographical area bounded on the west by a line drawn from the Hanstholm lighthouse to the Lindesnes lighthouse and on the south by a line drawn from the Skagen lighthouse to the Tistlarna lighthouse and from this point to the nearest point on the Swedish coast;
- (c) 'Kattegat' means the geographical area bounded on the north by a line drawn from the Skagen lighthouse to the Tistlarna lighthouse and from this point to the nearest point on the Swedish coast and on the south by a line drawn from Hasenøre to Gnibens Spids, from Korshage to Spodsbjerg and from Gilbjerg Hoved to Kullen;
- (d) 'Functional Unit 16 of ICES Subarea VII' means the geographical area bounded by rhumb lines sequentially joining the following positions:

53° 30' N 15° 00' W, 53° 30' N 11° 00' W, 51° 30' N 11° 00' W, 51° 30' N 13° 00' W, 51° 00' N 13° 00' W, 51° 00' N 15° 00' W, 53° 30' N 15° 00' W;

- (e) 'Gulf of Cádiz' means the geographical area of ICES division IXa east of longitude 7° 23' 48" W;
- (f) CECAF (Committee for Eastern Central Atlantic Fisheries) areas are the geographical areas specified in Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 216/2009<sup>(15)</sup>.

# TITLE II

#### FISHING OPPORTUNITIES

#### Article 5

#### **TACs and allocations**

The TACs for EU vessels in EU waters or in certain non-EU waters and the allocation of such TACs among Member States, and the conditions functionally linked thereto, where appropriate, are set out in Annex I.

#### Article 6

## TACs to be determined by Member States

1 The TACs for certain fish stocks shall be determined by the Member State concerned. Those stocks are identified in Annex I.

- 2 The TACs to be determined by a Member State shall:
  - a be consistent with the principles and rules of the Common Fisheries Policy, in particular the principle of sustainable exploitation of the stock; and
  - b result:
    - (i) if analytical assessments are available, in the exploitation of the stock consistent with maximum sustainable yield from 2015 onwards, with as high a probability as possible;
    - (ii) if analytical assessments are unavailable or incomplete, in the exploitation of the stock consistent with the precautionary approach to fisheries management.

3 By 15 March 2013, each Member State concerned shall submit to the Commission the following information:

- a the TACs adopted;
- b the data collected and assessed by the Member State concerned on which the TACs adopted are based;
- c details on how the TACs adopted comply with paragraph 2.

#### Article 7

#### Additional allocations for vessels participating in trials on fully documented fisheries

1 For certain stocks, a Member State may grant an additional allocation to vessels flying its flag and participating in trials on fully documented fisheries. Those stocks are identified in Annex I.

2 The additional allocation referred to in paragraph 1 shall not exceed the overall limit set out in Annex I as a percentage of the quota allocated to that Member State.

3 The additional allocation referred to in paragraph 1 shall comply with the following conditions:

- a the vessel makes use of close circuit television cameras (CCTV) associated to a system of sensors (jointly referred to as "the CCTV system") to record all on board fishing and processing activities;
- b the additional allocation granted to an individual vessel that participates in trials on fully documented fisheries shall not exceed any of the following limits:
  - (i) 75 % of the discards of the stock, as estimated by the relevant Member State, produced by the type of vessel to which the individual vessel that has been granted the additional allocation belongs.
  - (ii) 30 % of the vessel's individual allocation prior to participating in the trials.
- c all catches by the vessel from the stock subject to the additional allocation, including fish that are under minimum landing size as defined in Annex XII of Regulation (EC) No 850/98, shall be counted against the individual allocation of the vessel, as resulting from any additional allocation granted under this Article.
- d once the individual allocation for any stock subject to the additional allocation has been fully utilised by a vessel, the vessel in question must cease all fishing activity in the relevant TAC area.
- e in respect of the stocks for which this Article may be used, the Member States may allow transfers of the individual allocation or any part thereof from vessels not participating in the fully documented fisheries trials to vessels participating in those trials provided that it can be demonstrated that discards by the non-participating vessels do not increase.

4 Notwithstanding point (i) of point (b) of paragraph 3, a Member State may exceptionally grant to a vessel flying its flag an additional allocation exceeding 75 % of the estimated discards of the stock produced by the type of vessel to which the individual vessel that has been granted the additional allocation belongs, provided that:

- a the rate of stock discards, as estimated for the relevant type of vessel, is less than 10 %;
- b the inclusion of that type of vessel is important to evaluate the potential of the CCTV system for control purposes;
- c an overall limit of 75 % of the estimated stock discards produced by all vessels participating in the trials is not exceeded.

5 To the extent that the recordings obtained in accordance with point (a) of paragraph 3 involve the processing of personal data within the meaning of Directive 95/46/EC, that Directive shall apply to the processing of such data.

6 Where a Member State detects that a vessel participating in trials on fully documented fisheries fails to comply with the conditions set out in paragraph 3, it shall immediately withdraw the additional allocation granted to that vessel and exclude it from participation in those trials for the remainder of the year 2013.

7 Prior to granting the additional allocation referred to in paragraphs 1 to 6, a Member State shall submit to the Commission the following information:

- a the list of vessels flying its flag and participating in trials on fully documented fisheries;
- b the specifications of the remote electronic monitoring equipment installed on board those vessels;
- c the capacity, type and specification of gears used by those vessels;

- d the estimated discards for each type of vessel participating in the trials;
- e the amount of catches of the stock subject to the relevant TAC made in 2012 by the vessels participating in the trials.

8 The Commission may request any Member State that avails itself of this Article to submit its assessment of the discards produced per type of vessel to a scientific advisory body for review, in order to monitor the implementation of the requirement set out in point (i) of point (b) of paragraph 3. In the absence of an assessment confirming such discards, the Member State concerned shall take any appropriate measure to ensure compliance with that requirement and inform the Commission thereof.

#### Article 8

#### Conditions for landing catches and by-catches

Fish from stocks for which TACs are established shall be retained on board or landed only if:

- (a) the catches have been taken by vessels flying the flag of a Member State having a quota and that quota is not exhausted; or
- (b) the catches consist of a share in a EU quota which has not been allocated by quota among Member States, and that EU quota has not been exhausted.

#### Article 9

#### **Fishing effort limits**

From 1 February 2013 to 31 January 2014, the fishing effort measures laid down in:

- (a) Annex IIA, shall apply for the management of cod stocks in the Kattegat, ICES divisions VIIa and VIa, and EU waters of ICES division Vb;
- (b) Annex IIB, shall apply for the recovery of hake and Norway lobster in ICES divisions VIIIc and IXa, with the exception of the Gulf of Cádiz;
- (c) Annex IIC, shall apply for the management of the sole stock in ICES division VIIe.

#### Article 10

#### Special provisions on allocations of fishing opportunities

1 The allocation of fishing opportunities among Member States as set out in this Regulation shall be without prejudice to:

- a exchanges made pursuant to Article 20(5) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002;
- reallocations made pursuant to Article 37 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 or pursuant to Article 10(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1006/2008<sup>(16)</sup>;
- c additional landings allowed under Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96;
- d quantities withheld in accordance with Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96;
- e deductions made pursuant to Articles 37, 105, 106 and 107 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009.

2 Except where otherwise specified in Annex I to this Regulation, Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall apply to stocks subject to precautionary TAC and Article 3(2) and (3) and Article 4 of that Regulation shall apply to stocks subject to analytical TAC.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally adopted).

#### Article 11

#### **Closed fishing season**

1 It shall be prohibited to fish or retain on board any of the following species in the Porcupine Bank during the period from 1 May to 31 May 2013: cod, megrims, anglerfish, haddock, whiting, hake, Norway lobster, plaice, pollack, saithe, skates and rays, common sole and spurdog.

2 For the purposes of this Article, the Porcupine Bank shall comprise the geographical area bounded by rhumb lines sequentially joining the following positions:

Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	52° 27′ N	12° 19′ W
2	52° 40′ N	12° 30′ W
3	52° 47′ N	12° 39,600′ W
4	52° 47′ N	12° 56′ W
5	52° 13,5′ N	13° 53,830′ W
6	51° 22′ N	14° 24′ W
7	51° 22′ N	14° 03′ W
8	52° 10′ N	13° 25′ W
9	52° 32′ N	13° 07,500′ W
10	52° 43′ N	12° 55′ W
11	52° 43′ N	12° 43′ W
12	52° 38,800′ N	12° 37′ W
13	52° 27′ N	12° 23′ W
14	52° 27′ N	12° 19′ W

3 By way of derogation from paragraph 1, transit through the Porcupine Bank while carrying on board the species referred to in that paragraph, shall be permitted in accordance with Article 50(3), (4) and (5) of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009.

#### Article 12

#### Prohibitions

1 It shall be prohibited for EU vessels to fish for, to retain on board, to tranship or to land the following species:

a basking shark (*Cetorhinus maximus*) and white shark (*Carcharodon carcharias*) in all waters;

- b porbeagle (*Lamna nasus*) in all waters, except where it is provided otherwise in Annex I Part B;
- c angel shark (Squatina squatina) in EU waters;
- d common skate (*Dipturus batis*) in EU waters of ICES division IIa and ICES subareas III, IV, VI, VII, VIII, IX and X;
- e undulate ray (*Raja undulata*) and white skate (*Raja alba*) in EU waters of ICES subareas VI, VII, VIII, IX and X;
- f guitarfishes (*Rhinobatidae*) in EU waters of ICES subareas I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X and XII;
- g giant manta ray (Manta birostris) in all waters.

2 When accidentally caught, species referred to in paragraph 1 shall not be harmed. Specimens shall be promptly released.

#### Article 13

#### **Data transmission**

When, pursuant to Articles 33 and 34 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009, Member States submit to the Commission data relating to landings of quantities of stocks caught, they shall use the stock codes set out in Annex I to this Regulation.

#### TITLE III

#### FINAL PROVISIONS

#### Article 14

#### **Committee procedure**

1 The Commission shall be assisted by the Committee for Fisheries and Aquaculture established by Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002. That committee shall be a committee within the meaning of Regulation (EU) No 182/2011.

2 Where reference is made to this paragraph, Article 5 of Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 shall apply.

#### Article 15

#### Entry into force and application

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

It shall apply from 1 January 2013.

However, Article 9 shall apply from 1 February 2013.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 21 January 2013.

For the Council The President E. GILMORE

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#### ANNEX I

#### TACS APPLICABLE TO EU VESSELS IN AREAS WHERE TACS EXIST BY SPECIES AND BY AREA

#### PART A

#### **General provisions**

The tables in Part B of this Annex set out the TACs and quotas (in tonnes live weight, except where otherwise specified) by stock, and conditions functionally linked thereto, where appropriate.

All fishing opportunities set out in this Annex shall be subject to the rules set out in Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009, and in particular Articles 33 and 34 of that Regulation.

The references to fishing zones are references to ICES zones, unless otherwise specified. Within each area, fish stocks are referred to following the alphabetical order of the Latin names of the species. For the purposes of this Regulation, the following comparative table of Latin names and common names is provided:

Scientific name	Alpha-3 code	Common name
Amblyraja radiata	RJR	Starry ray
Ammodytes spp.	SAN	Sandeels
Argentina silus	ARU	Greater silver smelt
Beryx spp.	ALF	Alfonsinos
Brosme brosme	USK	Tusk
Caproidae	BOR	Boarfish
Centrophorus squamosus	GUQ	Leafscale gulper shark

Centroscymnus coelolepis	СҮО	Portuguese dogfish
Chaceon spp.	GER	Deep sea red crab
Champsocephalus gunnari	ANI	Mackerel icefish
Chionoecetes spp.	PCR	Snow crab
Clupea harengus	HER	Herring
Coryphaenoides rupestris	RNG	Roundnose grenadier
Dalatias licha	SCK	Kitefin shark
Deania calcea	DCA	Birdbeak dogfish
Dipturus batis	RJB	Common skate
Dissostichus eleginoides	ТОР	Patagonian toothfish
Dissostichus mawsoni	ТОА	Antarctic toothfish
Engraulis encrasicolus	ANE	Anchovy
Etmopterus princeps	ETR	Great lanternshark
Etmopterus pusillus	ETP	Smooth lanternshark
Euphausia superba	KRI	Krill
Gadus morhua	COD	Cod
Galeorhinus galeus	GAG	Tope shark
Glyptocephalus cynoglossus	WIT	Witch flounder
Hippoglossoides platessoides	PLA	American plaice
Hippoglossus hippoglossus	HAL	Atlantic halibut
Hoplostethus atlanticus	ORY	Orange roughy
Illex illecebrosus	SQI	Shortfin squid
Lamna nasus	POR	Porbeagle
Lepidonotothen squamifrons	NOS	Grey rockcod
Lepidorhombus spp.	LEZ	Megrims
Leucoraja naevus	RJN	Cuckoo ray
Limanda ferruginea	YEL	Yellowtail flounder
Limanda limanda	DAB	Common dab
Lophiidae	ANF	Anglerfish
Macrourus spp.	GRV	Grenadiers
Makaira nigricans	BUM	Blue marlin
Mallotus villosus	САР	Capelin
Manta birostris	RMB	Giant manta ray
Martialia hyadesi	SQS	Squid

Melanogrammus aeglefinus	HAD	Haddock
Merlangius merlangus	WHG	Whiting
Merluccius merluccius	НКЕ	Hake
Micromesistius poutassou	WHB	Blue whiting
Microstomus kitt	LEM	Lemon sole
Molva dypterygia	BLI	Blue ling
Molva molva	LIN	Ling
Nephrops norvegicus	NEP	Norway lobster
Pandalus borealis	PRA	Northern prawn
Paralomis spp.	PAI	Crabs
Penaeus spp.	PEN	"Penaeus" shrimps
Platichthys flesus	FLE	European flounder
Pleuronectes platessa	PLE	Plaice
Pleuronectiformes	FLX	Flatfish
Pollachius pollachius	POL	Pollack
Pollachius virens	РОК	Saithe
Psetta maxima	TUR	Turbot
Raja alba	RJA	White skate
Raja brachyura	RJH	Blonde ray
Raja circularis	RJI	Sandy ray
Raja clavata	RJC	Thornback ray
Raja fullonica	RJF	Shagreen ray
Raja (Dipturus) nidarosiensis	JAD	Norwegian skate
Raja microocellata	RJE	Small-eyed ray
Raja montagui	RJM	Spotted ray
Raja undulata	RJU	Undulate ray
Rajiformes	SRX	Skates and rays
Reinhardtius hippoglossoides	GHL	Greenland halibut
Scomber scombrus	MAC	Mackerel
Scophthalmus rhombus	BLL	Brill
Sebastes spp.	RED	Redfish
Solea solea	SOL	Common sole
Solea spp.	SOO	Sole
Sprattus sprattus	SPR	Sprat

Squalus acanthias	DGS	Spurdog/dogfish
Tetrapturus albidus	WHM	White marlin
Thunnus maccoyii	SBF	Southern bluefin tuna
Thunnus obesus	BET	Bigeye tuna
Thunnus thynnus	BFT	Bluefin tuna
Trachurus murphyi	СЈМ	Jack mackerel
Trachurus spp.	JAX	Horse mackerel
Trisopterus esmarkii	NOP	Norway pout
Urophycis tenuis	HKW	White hake
Xiphias gladius	SWO	Swordfish

The following comparative table of common names and Latin names is provided exclusively for explanatory purposes:

Alfonsinos	ALF	<i>Beryx</i> spp.
American plaice	PLA	Hippoglossoides platessoides
Anchovy	ANE	Engraulis encrasicolus
Anglerfish	ANF	Lophiidae
Antarctic toothfish	ТОА	Dissostichus mawsoni
Atlantic halibut	HAL	Hippoglossus hippoglossus
Bigeye tuna	BET	Thunnus obesus
Birdbeak dogfish	DCA	Deania calcea
Blonde ray	RJH	Raja brachyura
Blue ling	BLI	Molva dypterygia
Blue marlin	BUM	Makaira nigricans
Blue whiting	WHB	Micromesistius poutassou
Bluefin tuna	BFT	Thunnus thynnus
Boarfish	BOR	Caproidae
Brill	BLL	Scophthalmus rhombus
Capelin	САР	Mallotus villosus
Cod	COD	Gadus morhua
Common dab	DAB	Limanda limanda
Common skate	RJB	Dipturus batis
Common sole	SOL	Solea solea
Crabs	PAI	Paralomis spp.

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	Portuguese dogfish	СҮО	Centroscymnus coelolepis

Redfish	RED	Sebastes spp.
Roundnose grenadier	RNG	Coryphaenoides rupestris
Saithe	РОК	Pollachius virens
Sandeels	SAN	Ammodytes spp.
Sandy ray	RJI	Raja circularis
Shagreen ray	RJF	Raja fullonica
Shortfin squid	SQI	Illex illecebrosus
Skates and rays	SRX	Rajiformes
Small-eyed ray	RJE	Raja microocellata
Smooth lanternshark	ETP	Etmopterus pusillus
Snow crab	PCR	Chionoecetes spp.
Sole	SOO	Solea spp.
Southern bluefin tuna	SBF	Thunnus maccoyii
Spotted ray	RJM	Raja montagui
Sprat	SPR	Sprattus sprattus
Spurdog/dogfish	DGS	Squalus acanthias
Squid	SQS	Martialia hyadesi
Starry ray	RJR	Amblyraja radiata
Swordfish	SWO	Xiphias gladius
Thornback ray	RJC	Raja clavata
Tope shark	GAG	Galeorhinus galeus
Turbot	TUR	Psetta maxima
Tusk	USK	Brosme brosme
Undulate ray	RJU	Raja undulata
White hake	HKW	Urophycis tenuis
White marlin	WHM	Tetrapturus albidus
White skate	RJA	Raja alba
Whiting	WHG	Merlangius merlangus
Witch flounder	WIT	Glyptocephalus cynoglossus
Yellowtail flounder	YEL	Limanda ferruginea

PART B

# Kattegat, ICES subareas I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XII and XIV, EU waters of CECAF, French Guiana waters

SpeciesGreater silver smelt <i>Argentina silus</i>		ZoneEU and international waters of I and II(ARU/1/2.)
Germany	24	Analytical TAC
France	8	
The Netherlands	19	
United Kingdom	39	
Union	90	
TAC	90	

SpeciesGreater silver smeltArgentina silus		ZoneEU waters of III and IV(ARU/34-C)
Denmark	911	Analytical TAC
Germany	9	
France	7	
Ireland	7	
The Netherlands	43	
Sweden	35	
United Kingdom	16	
Union	1 028	
TAC	1 028	

SpeciesGreater silver	smelt <i>Argentina silus</i>	ZoneEU and international waters of V, VI and VII(ARU/567.)
Germany	329	Analytical TAC
France	7	
Ireland	305	
The Netherlands	3 434	
United Kingdom	241	
Union	4 316	
TAC	4 316	

SpeciesTusk <i>Brosme brosme</i>		ZoneIIIa; EU waters of Subdivisions 22-32(USK/3A/BCD)
Denmark	15	Analytical TAC
Sweden	7	
Germany	7	
Union	29	
TAC	29	

SpeciesBoarfish <i>Caproidae</i>		ZoneEU and international waters of VI, VII and VIII(BOR/678-)
Denmark	20 123	Precautionary TAC
Ireland	56 666	
United Kingdom	5 211	
Union	82 000	
TAC	82 000	

SpeciesHerringClupea harengus		ZoneVIaS <sup>a</sup> , VIIb, VIIc(HER/6AS7BC)
Ireland	1 364	Analytical TAC
The Netherlands	136	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply.
Union	1 500	Article 4 of Regulation (EC)
TAC	1 500	No 847/96 shall not apply.

Reference is to the herring stock in VIa south of 56° 00' N and west of 07° 00' W. a

SpeciesHerring <i>Clupea haren</i>	ngus	ZoneVI Clydeª(HER/06ACL.)
United Kingdom	To be established <sup>b</sup>	Precautionary TAC
Union	To be established <sup>e</sup>	
TAC	To be established <sup>e</sup>	

a Clyde stock: reference is to the herring stock in the maritime area situated to the north-east of a line drawn between: the Mull of Kintyre and Corsewall Point.

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- the Mull of Kintyre (55°19'N, 05°48'W); a point at position (55°04'N, 05°23'W) and; \_
- Corsewall Point (55°01'N, 05°10'W). \_

b Article 6 of this Regulation applies.

с Fixed at the same quantity as determined in accordance with footnote 2.

SpeciesHerringClupea harengus		ZoneVIIa*(HER/07A/ MM)
Ireland	1 300	Analytical TAC
United Kingdom	3 693	
Union	4 993	
ТАС	4 993	

This zone is reduced by the area bounded: a

to the north by latitude 52° 30' N,
 to the south by latitude 52° 00' N,
 to the west by the coast of Ireland,
 to the west by the coast of Ireland,

to the east by the coast of the United Kingdom. \_

SpeciesHerring <i>Clupea harengus</i>		ZoneVIIe and VIIf(HER/7EF.)
France	465	Precautionary TAC
United Kingdom	465	
Union	931	
TAC	931	

SpeciesHerring <i>Clupea harengus</i>		ZoneVIIg <sup>a</sup> , VIIh <sup>a</sup> , VIIj <sup>a</sup> and VIIk <sup>a</sup> (HER/7G-K.)
Germany	191	Analytical TAC
France	1 062	
Ireland	14 864	
The Netherlands	1 062	
United Kingdom	21	
Union	17 200	
TAC	17 200	

This zone is increased by the area bounded: a

to the north by latitude  $52^{\circ} 30' \text{ N}$ , to the south by latitude  $52^{\circ} 00' \text{ N}$ , \_

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to the west by the coast of Ireland, to the east by the coast of the United Kingdom. \_\_\_\_

SpeciesAnchovyEngraulis encrasicolus		ZoneIX and X; EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1(ANE/9/3411)
Spain	4 198	Precautionary TAC
Portugal	4 580	
Union	8 778	
TAC	8 778	

SpeciesCodGadus mor	hua	ZoneKattegat(COD/03AS.)
Denmark	62ª	Analytical TAC
Germany	1ª	
Sweden	37ª	
Union	100ª	
TAC	100ª	

**a** Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.

SpeciesCod <i>Gadus morhua</i>		ZoneVIb; EU and international waters of Vb west of 12° 00' W and of XII and XIV(COD/5W6-14)
Belgium	0	Precautionary TAC
Germany	1	
France	12	
Ireland	16	
United Kingdom	45	
Union	74	
TAC	74	

SpeciesCod <i>Gadus morhua</i>		ZoneVIa; EU and international waters of Vb east of 12° 00' W(COD/5BE6A)
Belgium	0	Analytical TAC
Germany	0	
France	0	
Ireland	0	
United Kingdom	0	
Union	0	
TAC	0ª	

**a** By-catch of cod in the area covered by this TAC may be landed provided that it does not comprise more than 1,5 % of the live weight of the total catch retained on board per fishing trip.

SpeciesCodGadus morhua		ZoneVIIa(COD/07A.)
Belgium	4	Analytical TAC
France	10	
Ireland	188	

The Netherlands	1
United Kingdom	82
Union	285
TAC	285

SpeciesCod <i>Gadus morhua</i>		ZoneVIIb, VIIc, VIIe- k, VIII, IX and X; EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1(COD/7XAD34)
Belgium	456	Analytical TAC
France	7 459	Article 11 of this Regulation applies.
Ireland	1 479	
The Netherlands	2	
United Kingdom	804	
Union	10 200	
TAC	10 200	

a nasus	ZoneFrench Guiana waters, Kattegat; EU waters of Skagerrak, I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XII and XIV; EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1, 34.1.2 and 34.2(POR/3-1234)
$O^{\mathbf{a}}$	Analytical TAC
0ª	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply.
0ª	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply.
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	O <sup>a</sup>

**a** When accidentally caught, this species shall not be harmed. Specimens shall be promptly released.

SpeciesMegrims <i>Lepidorhombus</i> spp.		ZoneEU waters of IIa and IV(LEZ/2AC4-C)
Belgium	6	Analytical TAC
Denmark	5	

Germany	5	
France	32	
The Netherlands	25	
United Kingdom	1 864	
Union	1 937	
TAC	1 937	

SpeciesMegrims <i>Lepidorhombus</i> spp.		ZoneEU and international waters of Vb; VI; international waters of XII and XIV(LEZ/56-14)
Spain	385	Analytical TAC
France	1 501	
Ireland	439	
United Kingdom	1 062	
Union	3 387	
TAC	3 387	

SpeciesMegrimsLepidorhombus spp.		ZoneVII(LEZ/07.)
Belgium	470 <sup>a</sup>	Analytical TAC
Spain	5 216ª	Article 11 of this Regulation applies.
France	6 329ª	
Ireland	2 878ª	
United Kingdom	2 492ª	
Union	17 385	_
TAC	17 385	

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SpeciesMegrimsLepidorhombus spp.		ZoneVIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe(LEZ/8ABDE.)
Spain	950	Analytical TAC
France	766	
Union	1 716	
TAC	1 716	

SpeciesMegrims <i>Lepidorhombus</i> spp.	ZoneVIIIc, IX and X; EU waters of CECAF
	34.1.1(LEZ/8C3411)

Spain	1 121	Analytical TAC
France	56	
Portugal	37	-
Union	1 214	-
TAC	1 214	

SpeciesAnglerfish <i>Lophiidae</i>		ZoneVI; EU and international waters of Vb; international waters of XII and XIV(ANF/56-14)
Belgium	177	Precautionary TAC
Germany	202	
Spain	189	
France	2 179	
Ireland	492	
The Netherlands	170	
United Kingdom	1 515	
Union	4 924	
TAC	4 924	

SpeciesAnglerfish <i>Lophiidae</i>		ZoneVII(ANF/07.)
Belgium	2 693 <sup>ab</sup>	Analytical TAC
Germany	300 <sup>ab</sup>	Article 11 of this Regulation applies.
Spain	1 070 <sup>ab</sup>	
France	17 282 <sup>ab</sup>	
Ireland	2 209 <sup>ab</sup>	
The Netherlands	349 <sup>ab</sup>	
United Kingdom	5 241 <sup>ab</sup>	
Union	29 144ª	
TAC	29 144ª	
a Special condition: of which	up to 5 % may be fished in VIIIa VIIIb	VIIId and VIIIe (ANE/*8ABDE)

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**b** In addition to this quota, a Member State may grant to vessels flying its flag and participating in trials on fully documented fisheries an additional allocation within an overall limit of 1 % of the quota allocated to that Member State, pursuant to Article 7 of this Regulation.

SpeciesAnglerfishLophiidae	ZoneVIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId
	and VIIIe(ANF/8ABDE.)

Spain	1 190	Analytical TAC
France	6 619	
Union	7 809	
TAC	7 809	1

SpeciesAnglerfish <i>Lophiidae</i>		ZoneVIIIc, IX and X; EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1(ANF/8C3411)
Spain	2 063	Analytical TAC
France	2	
Portugal	410	
Union	2 475	
TAC	2 475	

SpeciesHaddock <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>		ZoneEU and international waters of Vb and Via(HAD/5BC6A.)
Belgium	5	Analytical TAC
Germany	6	
France	232	
Ireland	690	
United Kingdom	3 278	
Union	4 211	
TAC	4 211	

SpeciesHaddock <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>		ZoneVIIb-k, VIII, IX and X; EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1(HAD/7X7A34)
Belgium	157 <sup>a</sup>	Analytical TAC
France	9 432ª	Article 11 of this Regulation applies.
Ireland	3 144 <sup>a</sup>	
United Kingdom	1 415ª	
Union	14 148ª	
TAC	14 148	

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SpeciesHaddock <i>Melanogram</i>	nmus aeglefinus	ZoneVIIa(HAD/07A.)
Belgium	19	Analytical TAC

France	86
Ireland	515
United Kingdom	569
Union	1 189
TAC	1 189

SpeciesWhitingMerlangius merlangus		ZoneVI; EU and international waters of Vb; international waters of XII and XIV(WHG/56-14)
Germany	2	Analytical TAC
France	36	
Ireland	87	
United Kingdom	167	
Union	292	
TAC	292	

SpeciesWhitingMerlangius merlangus		ZoneVIIa(WHG/07A.)
Belgium	0	Analytical TAC
France	3	
Ireland	49	
The Netherlands	0	
United Kingdom	32	
Union	84	
TAC	84	

SpeciesWhiting <i>Merlangius merlangus</i>		ZoneVIIb, VIIc, VIId, VIIe, VIIf, VIIg, VIIh, VIIj and VIIk(WHG/7X7A-C)
Belgium	239	Analytical TAC
France	14 700	Article 11 of this Regulation applies.
Ireland	6 812	
The Netherlands	120	
United Kingdom	2 629	
Union	24 500	
TAC	24 500	

ZoneVIII(WHG/08.) SpeciesWhitingMerlangius merlangus 1 270 Precautionary TAC Spain France 1 905 Union 3 175 TAC 3 175

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally adopted).

SpeciesWhitingMerlangius merlangus		ZoneIX and X; EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1(WHG/9/3411)
Portugal	To be established <sup>a</sup>	Precautionary TAC
Union	To be established <sup>b</sup>	
TAC	To be established <sup>b</sup>	
a Article 6 of this Pegulatic	an applies	J.

Article 6 of this Regulation applies. a

b Fixed at the same quantity as determined in accordance with footnote 1.

cius merluccius	ZoneIIIa; EU waters of Subdivisions 22-32(HKE/3A/BCD)
1 531 <sup>b</sup>	Analytical TAC
130 <sup>b</sup>	
1 661	
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	130 <sup>b</sup> 1 661

Within an overall TAC of 55 105 tonnes for the northern stock of hake. a

b Transfers of this quota may be effected to EU waters of IIa and IV. However, such transfers shall be notified in advance to the Commission.

SpeciesHakeMerluccius merluccius		ZoneEU waters of IIa and IV(HKE/2AC4-C)
Belgium	28	Analytical TAC
Denmark	1 119	
Germany	128	
France	248	
The Netherlands	64	
United Kingdom	348	
Union	1 935	
TAC	1 935ª	
<b>a</b> Within an overall TAC of 5:	5 105 tonnes for the northern stock of	of hake

Within an overall TAC of 55 105 tonnes for the northern stock of hake.

SpeciesHakeMerluccius merluccius		ZoneVI and VII; EU and international waters of Vb; international waters of XII and XIV(HKE/571214)
Belgium	284 <sup>ac</sup>	Analytical TAC
Spain	9 109°	Article 11 of this Regulation applies.
France	14 067 <sup>ac</sup>	
Ireland	1 704°	
The Netherlands	183 <sup>ac</sup>	
United Kingdom	5 553 <sup>ac</sup>	
Union	30 900	
TAC	30 900 <sup>b</sup>	

**a** Transfers of this quota may be effected to EU waters of IIa and IV. However, such transfers shall be notified in advance to the Commission.

**b** Within an overall TAC of 55 105 tonnes for the northern stock of hake.

c In addition to this quota, a Member State may grant to vessels flying its flag and participating in trials on fully documented fisheries an additional allocation within an overall limit of 1 % of the quota allocated to that Member State, pursuant to Article 7 of this Regulation.

#### Special condition:

Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zones:

	VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe(HKE/*8ABDE)
Belgium	37
Spain	1 469
France	1 469
Ireland	184
The Netherlands	18
United Kingdom	827
Union	4 004

SpeciesHake <i>Merlucciu</i>	s merluccius	ZoneVIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe(HKE/8ABDE.)
Belgium	9 <sup>a</sup>	Analytical TAC
Spain	6 341	
France	14 241	
The Netherlands	18ª	
Union	20 609	
TAC	20 609 <sup>b</sup>	

a Transfers of this quota may be effected to IV and EU waters of IIa. However, such transfers shall be notified in advance to the Commission.

Within an overall TAC of 55 105 tonnes for the northern stock of hake. b

**Special condition:** Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zones:

	VI and VII; EU and international waters of Vb; international waters of XII and XIV(HKE/*57-14)
Belgium	2
Spain	1 837
France	3 305
The Netherlands	6
Union	5 150

SpeciesHakeMerluccius merluccius		ZoneVIIIc, IX and X; EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1(HKE/8C3411)
Spain	9 051	Analytical TAC
France	869	
Portugal	4 224	
Union	14 144	
TAC	14 144	

SpeciesBlue ling <i>Molva dypte</i>	erygia	ZoneInternational waters of XII(BLI/12INT-)
Estonia	2ª	Precautionary TAC
Spain	739 <sup>a</sup>	
France	18ª	
Lithuania	7ª	
United Kingdom	7ª	
Others	2ª	
a Exclusively for by-catches. No dire	cted fisheries are permitted under this quota.	

Union	774 <sup>a</sup>
TAC	774 <sup>a</sup>

**a** Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.

SpeciesBlue lingMolva dypterygia		ZoneEU and international waters of II and IV(BLI/24-)
Denmark	4	Precautionary TAC
Germany	4	
Ireland	4	
France	23	
United Kingdom	14	
Others <sup>a</sup>	4	
Union	53	
TAC	53	

**a** Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.

SpeciesBlue ling <i>Mol</i>	va dypterygia	ZoneEU and international waters of III(BLI/03-)
Denmark	3	Precautionary TAC
Germany	2	
Sweden	3	
Union	8	
TAC	8	

SpeciesLingMolva molva		ZoneIIIa; EU waters of IIIbcd(LIN/3A/BCD)
Belgium	6ª	Analytical TAC
Denmark	50	
Germany	6ª	
Sweden	19	
United Kingdom	6ª	
Union	87	
TAC	87	
<b>a</b> Quota may be fished in EU v	vaters of IIIa and EU waters of I	Ilbcd only.

SpeciesNorway lobsterNephrops norvegicus	ZoneEU waters of lia and
	IV(NEP/2AC4-C)

Analytical TAC 908 Belgium 908 Denmark Germany 13 27 France The Netherlands 467 United Kingdom 15 027 17 350 Union TAC 17 350

SpeciesNorway lobsterNephrops norvegicus		ZoneVI; EU and international waters of Vb(NEP/5BC6.)
Spain	34	Analytical TAC
France	135	
Ireland	226	
United Kingdom	16 295	
Union	16 690	
TAC	16 690	

SpeciesNorway lobsterNephrops norvegicus		ZoneVII(NEP/07.)
Spain	1 384 <sup>a</sup>	Analytical TAC
France	5 609ª	Article 11 of this Regulation applies.
Ireland	8 506ª	
United Kingdom	7 566ª	
Union	23 065ª	
TAC	23 065ª	

a Special condition: of which no more than the following quotas may be taken in Functional Unit 16 of ICES Subarea VII (NEP/\*07U16):

Spain	543
France	340
Ireland	653
United Kingdom	264
Union	1 800

SpeciesNorway lobsterNephrops norvegicus		ZoneVIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe(NEP/8ABDE.)
Spain	234	Analytical TAC

France	3 665
Union	3 899
TAC	3 899

SpeciesNorway lobsterNephrops norvegicus		ZoneVIIIc(NEP/08C.)
Spain	71	Analytical TAC
France	3	
Union	74	
TAC	74	

SpeciesNorway lobster <i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>		ZoneIX and X; EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1(NEP/9/3411)
Spain	62	Analytical TAC
Portugal	184	
Union	246	
TAC	246	

Species"Penaeus" shrimpsPenaeus spp.		ZoneFrench Guiana waters(PEN/FGU.)
France	To be established <sup>ab</sup>	Precautionary TAC
Union	To be established <sup>be</sup>	
TAC	To be established <sup>be</sup>	
a Article 6 of this Regula	ation applies.	

**b** Fishing for shrimps *Penaeus subtilis* and *Penaeus brasiliensis* is prohibited in waters less than 30 metres deep.

**c** Fixed at the same quantity as determined in accordance with footnote 1.

SpeciesPlaice <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>		ZoneVI; EU and international waters of Vb; international waters of XII and XIV(PLE/56-14)
France	9	Precautionary TAC
Ireland	261	
United Kingdom	388	
Union	658	
TAC	658	

SpeciesPlaicePleuronectes pl	atessa	ZoneVIIa(PLE/07A.)
Belgium	42	Analytical TAC

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SpeciesPlaicePleuronectes platessa		ZoneVIIb and VIIc(PLE/7BC.)
France	11	Precautionary TAC
Ireland	63	Article 11 of this Regulation applies.
Union	74	
TAC	74	

SpeciesPlaicePleuronectes platessa		ZoneVIId and VIIe(PLE/7DE.)
Belgium	1 047ª	Analytical TAC
France	3 491ª	
United Kingdom	1 862ª	
Union	6 400	
TAC	6 400	

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SpeciesPlaicePleuronectes platessa		ZoneVIIf and VIIg(PLE/7FG.)
Belgium	46	Analytical TAC
France	83	
Ireland	197	
United Kingdom	43	
Union	369	
TAC	369	

SpeciesPlaicePleuronectes platessa		ZoneVIIh, VIIj and VIIk(PLE/7HJK.)
Belgium	9	Analytical TAC
France	18	Article 11 of this Regulation applies.
Ireland	61	

The Netherlands	35
United Kingdom	18
Union	141
TAC	141

SpeciesPlaicePleuronectes platessa		ZoneVIII, IX and X; EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1(PLE/8/3411)
Spain	66	Precautionary TAC
France	263	
Portugal	66	
Union	395	
TAC	395	

SpeciesPollack <i>Pollachius pollachius</i>		ZoneVI; EU and international waters of Vb; international waters of XII and XIV(POL/56-14)
Spain	6	Precautionary TAC
France	190	
Ireland	56	
United Kingdom	145	
Union	397	
TAC	397	

SpeciesPollackPollachius po	ollachius	ZoneVII(POL/07.)
Belgium	420	Precautionary TAC
Spain	25	Article 11 of this Regulation applies.
France	9 667	
Ireland	1 030	
United Kingdom	2 353	
Union	13 495	
TAC	13 495	

SpeciesPollack <i>Pollachius pollachius</i>		ZoneVIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe(POL/8ABDE.)
Spain	252	Precautionary TAC
France	1 230	

Union	1 482
TAC	1 482

SpeciesPollackPollachius pollachius		ZoneVIIIc(POL/08C.)
Spain	208	Precautionary TAC
France	23	
Union	231	
TAC	231	1

ius pollachius	ZoneIX and X; EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1(POL/9/3411)
273ª	Precautionary TAC
9 <sup>a</sup>	
282ª	
282	
	9 <sup>a</sup> 282 <sup>a</sup>

**a** Special condition: of which up to 5 % may be fished in EU waters of VIIIc (POL/\*08C.).

SpeciesSaithePollachius virens		ZoneVII, VIII, IX and X; EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1(POK/7/3411)
Belgium	6	Precautionary TAC
France	1 245	Article 11 of this Regulation applies.
Ireland	1 491	
United Kingdom	434	
Union	3 176	
TAC	3 176	

SpeciesSkates and rays <i>Rajiformes</i>		ZoneEU waters of IIa and IV(SRX/2AC4-C)
Belgium	211 <sup>abc</sup>	Precautionary TAC
Denmark	8 <sup>abc</sup>	
Germany	10 <sup>abc</sup>	

a Catches of cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/2AC4-C), thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/2AC4-C), blonde ray (*Raja adiate an*) (RJH/2AC4-C), spotted ray (*Raja montagui*) (RJM/2AC4-C) and starry ray (*Amblyraja adiate*) (RJR/2AC4-C) shall be reported separately.

**b** By-catch quota. These species shall not comprise more than 25 % by live weight of the catch retained on board per fishing trip. This condition applies only to vessels over 15 metres' length overall.

**c** Shall not apply to common skate (*Dipturus batis*). When accidentally caught, that species shall not be harmed. Specimens shall be promptly released. Fishermen shall be encouraged to develop and use techniques and equipment to facilitate the rapid and safe release of the species.

France	33 <sup>abc</sup>
The Netherlands	180 <sup>abc</sup>
United Kingdom	814 <sup>abc</sup>
Union	1 256 <sup>ac</sup>
TAC	1 256°

**a** Catches of cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/2AC4-C), thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/2AC4-C), blonde ray (*Raja adiate an*) (RJH/2AC4-C), spotted ray (*Raja montagui*) (RJM/2AC4-C) and starry ray (*Amblyraja adiate*) (RJR/2AC4-C) shall be reported separately.

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SpeciesSkates and rays <i>Rajiformes</i>		ZoneEU waters of IIIa(SRX/03A-C.)
Denmark	41 <sup>ab</sup>	Precautionary TAC
Sweden	11 <sup>ab</sup>	
Union	52 <sup>ab</sup>	
TAC	52 <sup>b</sup>	

**a** Catches of cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/03A-C.), blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) (RJH/03A-C.), spotted ray (*Raja montagui*) (RJM/03A-C.) and starry ray (*Amblyraja radiata*) (RJR/03A-C.) shall be reported separately.

**b** Shall not apply to common skate (*Dipturus batis*) and thornback ray (*Raja clavata*). When accidentally caught, these species shall not be harmed. Specimens shall be promptly released. Fishermen shall be encouraged to develop and use techniques and equipment to facilitate the rapid and safe release of the species.

SpeciesSkates and rays <i>Rajiformes</i>		ZoneEU waters of VIa, VIb, VIIa-c and VIIe- k(SRX/67AKXD)
Belgium	806 <sup>abc</sup>	Precautionary TAC
Estonia	5 <sup>abc</sup>	Article 11 of this Regulation applies.
France	3 615 <sup>abc</sup>	
Germany	11 <sup>abc</sup>	
Ireland	1 165 <sup>abc</sup>	
Lithuania	19 <sup>abc</sup>	
The Netherlands	3 <sup>abc</sup>	
Portugal	20 <sup>abc</sup>	
Spain	974 <sup>abc</sup>	
United Kingdom	2 306 <sup>abc</sup>	
Union	8 924 <sup>abc</sup>	

ТАС	8 924 <sup>b</sup>	

- a Catches of cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/67AKXD), thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/67AKXD), blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) (RJH/67AKXD), spotted ray (*Raja montagui*) (RJM/67AKXD), small-eyed ray (*Raja microocellata*) (RJE/67AKXD), sandy ray (*Raja circularis*) (RJI/67AKXD) and shagreen ray (*Raja fullonica*) (RJF/67AKXD) shall be reported separately.
- **b** Shall not apply to undulate ray (*Raja undulata*), common skate (*Dipturus batis*), Norwegian skate (*Raja (Dipturus) nidarosiensis*) and white skate (*Raja alba*). When accidentally caught, these species shall not be harmed. Specimens shall be promptly released. Fishermen shall be encouraged to develop and use techniques and equipment to facilitate the rapid and safe release of the species.

c Special condition: of which up to 5 % may be fished in EU waters of VIId (SRX/\*07D.). Catches of cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/\*07D.), thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/\*07D.), blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) (RJH/\*07D.), spotted ray (*Raja montagui*) (RJM/\*07D.), small-eyed ray (*Raja microocellata*) (RJE/\*07D.), sandy ray (*Raja circularis*) (RJI/\*07D.) and shagreen ray (*Raja fullonica*) (RJF/\*07D.) shall be reported separately.

SpeciesSkates and rays <i>Rajiformes</i>		ZoneEU waters of VIId(SRX/07D.)
Belgium	72 <sup>abc</sup>	Precautionary TAC
France	602 <sup>abc</sup>	
The Netherlands	4 <sup>abc</sup>	
United Kingdom	120 <sup>abc</sup>	
Union	798 <sup>abc</sup>	
TAC	798 <sup>b</sup>	

**a** Catches of cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/07D.), thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/07D.), blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) (RJH/07D.), spotted ray (*Raja montagui*) (RJM/07D.), small-eyed ray (*Raja microocellata*) (RJE/07D.) and starry ray (*Amblyraja radiata*) (RJR/07D.) shall be reported separately.

**b** Shall not apply to common skate (*Dipturus batis*) and undulate ray (*Raja undulata*). When accidentally caught, these species shall not be harmed. Specimens shall be promptly released. Fishermen shall be encouraged to develop and use techniques and equipment to facilitate the rapid and safe release of the species.

c Special condition: of which up to 5 % may be fished in EU waters of VIa, VIb, VIIa-c and VIIe-k (SRX/\*67AKD). Catches of Cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/\*67AKD), thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/\*67AKD), blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) (RJH/\*67AKD), spotted ray (*Raja montagui*) (RJM/\*67AKD), small-eyed ray (*Raja microocellata*) (RJE/\*67AKD) and starry ray (*Amblyraja radiata*) (RJR/\*67AKD) shall be reported separately.

SpeciesSkates and rays <i>Rajiformes</i>		ZoneEU waters of VIII and IX(SRX/89-C.)
Belgium	8 <sup>ab</sup>	Precautionary TAC
France	1 441 <sup>ab</sup>	
Portugal	1 168 <sup>ab</sup>	
Spain	1 175 <sup>ab</sup>	
United Kingdom	8 <sup>ab</sup>	
Union	3 800 <sup>ab</sup>	1
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**a** Catches of cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/89-C.), blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) (RJH/89-C.) and thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/89-C.) shall be reported separately.

**b** Shall not apply to undulate ray (*Raja undulata*), common skate (*Dipturus batis*) and white skate (*Raja alba*). When accidentally caught, these species shall not be harmed. Specimens shall be promptly released. Fishermen shall be encouraged to develop and use techniques and equipment to facilitate the rapid and safe release of the species.

TAC	3 800 <sup>b</sup>	

**a** Catches of cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/89-C.), blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) (RJH/89-C.) and thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/89-C.) shall be reported separately.

**b** Shall not apply to undulate ray (*Raja undulata*), common skate (*Dipturus batis*) and white skate (*Raja alba*). When accidentally caught, these species shall not be harmed. Specimens shall be promptly released. Fishermen shall be encouraged to develop and use techniques and equipment to facilitate the rapid and safe release of the species.

SpeciesCommon soleSolea solea	
470	Analytical TAC
27ª	
45 <sup>a</sup>	
18	
560	
560	
	470 27 <sup>a</sup> 45 <sup>a</sup> 18 560

**a** Quota may be fished in EU waters of IIIa, Subdivisions 22-32 only.

SpeciesCommon soleSolea solea		ZoneVI; EU and international waters of Vb; international waters of XII and XIV(SOL/56-14)
Ireland	46	Precautionary TAC
United Kingdom	11	
Union	57	
ТАС	57	

SpeciesCommon soleSolea solea		ZoneVIIa(SOL/07A.)
Belgium	36	Analytical TAC
France	0	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply.
Ireland	58	Article 4 of Regulation (EC)
The Netherlands	11	No 847/96 shall not apply.
United Kingdom	35	
Union	140	
TAC	140	

SpeciesCommon soleSolea solea		ZoneVIIb and VIIc(SOL/7BC.)
France	6	Precautionary TAC
Ireland	36	Article 11 of this Regulation applies.

Union	42
TAC	42

SpeciesCommon soleSolea solea		ZoneVIId(SOL/07D.)
Belgium	1 588	Analytical TAC
France	3 177	
United Kingdom	1 135	
Union	5 900	
TAC	5 900	

SpeciesCommon soleSolea solea		ZoneVIIe(SOL/07E.
Belgium	32 <sup>a</sup>	Analytical TAC
France	337ª	
United Kingdom	525ª	
Union	894	
TAC	894	

**a** In addition to this quota, a Member State may grant to vessels flying its flag and participating in trials on fully documented fisheries an additional allocation within an overall limit of 5 % of the quota allocated to that Member State, pursuant to Article 7 of this Regulation.

SpeciesCommon soleSolea solea		ZoneVIIf and VIIg(SOL/7FG.)
Belgium	688	Analytical TAC
France	69	
Ireland	34	
United Kingdom	309	
Union	1 100	
TAC	1 100	

SpeciesCommon soleSolea solea		ZoneVIIh, VIIj and VIIk(SOL/7HJK.)
Belgium	33	Analytical TAC
France	67	Article 11 of this Regulation applies.
Ireland	181	**
The Netherlands	54	
United Kingdom	67	
Union	402	
TAC	402	

SpeciesCommon soleSolea solea		ZoneVIIIa and VIIIb(SOL/8AB.)
Belgium	51	Analytical TAC
Spain	9	
France	3 758	
The Netherlands	282	
Union	4 100	
TAC	4 100	

SpeciesSole <i>Solea</i> spp.		ZoneVIIIc, VIIId, VIIIe, IX and X; EU waters of CECAF 34.1.1(SOO/8CDE34)
Spain	403	Precautionary TAC
Portugal	669	
Union	1 072	
TAC	1 072	

SpeciesSpratSprattus sprattus		ZoneVIId and VIIe(SPR/7DE.)
Belgium	26	Precautionary TAC
Denmark	1 674	
Germany	26	
France	361	
The Netherlands	361	
United Kingdom	2 702	
Union	5 150	
TAC	5 150	

SpeciesSpurdog/dogfishSqualus acanthias		ZoneEU waters of IIIa(DGS/03A-C.)
Denmark	0	Analytical TAC
Sweden	0	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply.
Union	0	Article 4 of Regulation (EC)
TAC	0	No 847/96 shall not apply.

SpeciesSpurdog/dogfishSqualus acanthias		ZoneEU waters of IIa and IV(DGS/2AC4-C)
Belgium	O <sup>a</sup>	Analytical TAC
Denmark	0ª	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply.
Germany	0 <sup>a</sup>	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply.
France	O <sup>a</sup>	
The Netherlands	0ª	
Sweden	O <sup>a</sup>	
United Kingdom	O <sup>a</sup>	
Union	0ª	
TAC	0 <sup>a</sup>	

a Catches taken with longlines of tope shark (*Galeorhinus galeus*), kitefin shark (*Dalatias licha*), bird beak dogfish (*Deania calcea*), leafscale gulper shark (*Centrophorus squamosus*), greater lanternshark (*Etmopterus princeps*), smooth lanternshark (*Etmopterus pusillus*), Portuguese dogfish (*Centroscymnus coelolepis*) and spurdog (*Squalus acanthias*) are included. When accidentally caught, these species shall not be harmed. Specimens shall be promptly released.

SpeciesSpurdog/dogfish <i>Squalus acanthias</i>		ZoneEU and international waters of I, V, VI, VII, VIII, XII and XIV(DGS/15X14)
Belgium	0 <sup>a</sup>	Analytical TAC
Germany	0 <sup>a</sup>	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply.
Spain	O <sup>a</sup>	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply.
France	0 <sup>a</sup>	Article 11 of this Regulation
Ireland	0 <sup>a</sup>	applies.
The Netherlands	0 <sup>a</sup>	
Portugal	0 <sup>a</sup>	
United Kingdom	0 <sup>a</sup>	
Union	0 <sup>a</sup>	
TAC	0 <sup>a</sup>	

**a** Catches taken with longlines of tope shark (*Galeorhinus galeus*), kitefin shark (*Dalatias licha*), bird beak dogfish (*Deania calcea*), leafscale gulper shark (*Centrophorus squamosus*), greater lanternshark (*Etmopterus princeps*), smooth lanternshark (*Etmopterus pusillus*), Portuguese dogfish (*Centroscymnus coelolepis*) and spurdog (*Squalus acanthias*) are included. When accidentally caught, these species shall not be harmed. Specimens shall be promptly released.

SpeciesHorse mackerelTrachurus spp.		ZoneVIIIc(JAX/08C.)
Spain	22 409 <sup>ac</sup>	Analytical TAC
France	388ª	
Portugal	2 214 <sup>ac</sup>	
Union	25 011	
TAC	25 011	

**a** Of which, notwithstanding Article 19 (2)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 850/98, no more than 5 % by live weight of the total catches retained on board may consist of horse mackerel between 12 and 14 cm. For the purposes of the control of that quantity, the conversion factor to be applied to the weight of the landings shall be 1,20.

**b** Council Regulation (EC) No 850/98 of 30 March 1998 for the conservation of fishery resources through technical measures for the protection of juveniles of marine organisms (OJ L 125, 27.4.1998, p. 1).

c Special condition: up to 5 % of this quota may be fished in IX (JAX/\*09.).

SpeciesHorse mackerelTrachurus spp.		ZoneIX(JAX/09.)
Spain	7 762 <sup>ab</sup>	Analytical TAC
Portugal	22 238 <sup>ab</sup>	
Union	30 000	
TAC	30 000	

**a** Of which, notwithstanding Article 19 (2)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 850/98, no more than 5 % by live weight of the total catches retained on board may consist of horse mackerel between 12 and 14 cm. For the purposes of the control of that quantity, the conversion factor to be applied to the weight of the landings shall be 1,20.

**b** Special condition: up to 5 % of this quota may be fished in VIIIc (JAX/\*08C).

SpeciesHorse mackerel <i>Trachurus</i> spp.		ZoneX; EU waters of CECAF <sup>a</sup> (JAX/X34PRT)
Portugal	To be established <sup>bc</sup>	Precautionary TAC
Union	To be established <sup>d</sup>	
TAC	To be established <sup>d</sup>	

**a** Waters adjacent to the Azores.

**b** Of which, notwithstanding Article 19 (2)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 850/98, no more than 5 % by live weight of the total catches retained on board may consist of horse mackerel between 12 and 14 cm. For the purposes of the control of that quantity, the conversion factor to be applied to the weight of the landings shall be 1,20.

c Article 6 of this Regulation applies.

d Fixed at the same quantity as determined in accordance with footnote 3.

#### SpeciesHorse mackerelTrachurus spp.

ZoneEU waters of
CECAF <sup>a</sup> (JAX/341PRT)

a Waters adjacent to Madeira.

**b** Of which, notwithstanding Article 19 (2)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 850/98, no more than 5 % by live weight of the total catches retained on board may consist of horse mackerel between 12 and 14 cm. For the purposes of the control of that quantity, the conversion factor to be applied to the weight of the landings shall be 1,20.

c Article 6 of this Regulation applies.

**d** Fixed at the same quantity as determined in accordance with footnote 3.

Portugal	To be established <sup>bc</sup>	Precautionary TAC
Union	To be established <sup>d</sup>	
TAC	To be established <sup>d</sup>	-

a Waters adjacent to Madeira.

**b** Of which, notwithstanding Article 19 (2)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 850/98, no more than 5 % by live weight of the total catches retained on board may consist of horse mackerel between 12 and 14 cm. For the purposes of the control of that quantity, the conversion factor to be applied to the weight of the landings shall be 1,20.

c Article 6 of this Regulation applies.

**d** Fixed at the same quantity as determined in accordance with footnote 3.

S	peciesHorse mackerel <i>Trac</i>	ZoneEU waters of CECAF <sup>a</sup> (JAX/341SPN)					
Spain		To be established <sup>b</sup>	Precautionary TAC				
Union		To be established <sup>e</sup>					
TA	.C	To be established <sup>e</sup>					
a	Waters adjacent to the Canary Islan	ıds.					
b	Article 6 of this Regulation applies.						
c	Fixed at the same quantity as determined in accordance with footnote 2.						

## ANNEX IIA

## FISHING EFFORT FOR VESSELS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE MANAGEMENT OF COD STOCKS IN THE KATTEGAT, ICES DIVISIONS VIa AND VIIa AND EU WATERS OF ICES DIVISION Vb

## 1. Scope

- 1.1. This Annex shall apply to EU vessels carrying on board or deploying any of the gears referred to in point 1 of Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1342/2008 and present in any of the geographical areas specified in point 2 of this Annex.
- 1.2. This Annex shall not apply to vessels of less than 10 metres' length overall. Those vessels shall not be required to carry fishing authorisations issued in accordance with Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009. Member States concerned shall assess the fishing effort of those vessels by effort groups to which they belong, using appropriate sampling methods. During 2013, the Commission shall seek scientific advice for evaluating the effort deployment of those vessels, with a view to their future inclusion into the effort regime.

## 2. **Regulated gears and geographical areas**

For the purposes of this Annex, the gear groupings referred to in point 1 of Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1342/2008 ("regulated gear") and the groupings of geographical areas referred to in points 2(a), 2(c) and 2(d) of that Annex shall apply.

## 3. Authorisations

If a Member State deems so appropriate in order to reinforce the sustainable implementation of this effort regime, it shall not issue an authorisation for fishing with a regulated gear in any of the geographical areas to which this Annex applies by any of vessels flying its flag which has no record of such fishing activity, unless it ensures that equivalent capacity, measured in kilowatts, is prevented from fishing in that area.

## 4. **Maximum allowable fishing effort**

- 4.1. The maximum allowable effort referred to in Article 12(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1342/2008 for the 2013 management period, i.e. from 1 February 2013 to 31 January 2014, for each of the effort groups of each Member State is set out in Appendix 1 to this Annex.
- 4.2. The maximum levels of annual fishing effort set in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1954/2003<sup>(17)</sup> shall not affect the maximum allowable fishing effort set in this Annex.

## 5. Management

- 5.1. Member States shall manage the maximum allowable effort in accordance with the conditions laid down in Article 4 and Articles 13 to 17 of Regulation (EC) No 1342/2008 and Articles 26 to 35 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009.
- 5.2. A Member State may establish management periods for allocating all or parts of the maximum allowable effort to individual vessels or groups of vessels. In such case, the number of days or hours for which a vessel may be present within the area during a management period shall be fixed at the discretion of the Member State concerned. During any such management periods, the Member State concerned may reallocate effort between individual vessels or groups of vessels.
- 5.3. If a Member State authorises vessels flying its flag to be present within an area by hours, it shall continue measuring the consumption of days in accordance with the conditions referred to in point 5.1. Upon request by the Commission, the Member State concerned shall demonstrate its precautionary measures taken to avoid an excessive consumption of effort within the area due to a vessel terminating presences in the area before the end of a 24-hour period.

## 6. **Fishing effort report**

Article 28 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 shall apply to vessels falling under the scope of this Annex. The geographical area referred to in that Article shall be understood, for the purpose of cod management, as each of the groupings of geographical areas referred to in point 2 of this Annex.

## 7. **Communication of relevant data**

Member States shall transmit to the Commission the data on fishing effort deployed by their fishing vessels in accordance with Articles 33 and 34 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009. These data shall be transmitted via the Fisheries Data Exchange System or any future data collection system implemented by the Commission.

## Appendix 1 to Annex IIA

## MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE FISHING EFFORT IN KILOWATT DAYS

Geogra area	phical	Regul gear	ated	I	)K			DE		SE		
(a)	Kattega	TR1	TR1		197 929		4 21		4 212		10	
(a)	Kattega	TR2		83	830 041			5 240		327 506		
		TR3		44	41 872	1 872		0		490		
		BT1		0				0		0		
		BT2		0				0		0		
		GN		11	15 456			26 534		13 1	02	
		GT		22	2 645			0		22 0	60	
		LL		1	100			0		25 3	39	
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(c)	ICES TR1		0		48 19	3	33	539	0		339 592	
(0)	divisiBn	, ,	10 166		744		47	5 649	0		1 088 238	
	VII <sup>a</sup> TR3		0	0		0		1 422	22	0		0
	BT1		0	0		0		0			0	
	BT2		843 782	843 782			514	4 584	200 0	00	111 693	
	GN		0		471		18	255	0		5 970	
	GT		0		0		0		0		158	
	LL		0		0		0		0		70 614	
Geogra area	ıphidalegı gear	lated B	E	DE		ES		FR	I	E	UK	
(d)	TR1 ICES	0		9 32	0	0		1 057 8	28 42	8 820	1 033 273	
(u)	divißiðn	0		0		0		34 926	14	371	2 972 845	
	VI <sub>a</sub> R3 and	0		0		0		0	27	'3	16 027	
	EUBT1	0		0		0		0	0		117 544	
	waters of Of	0		0		0		0	3	801	4 626	
	ICESI	0		35 4	42	13 83	6	302 917	7 5	697	213 454	
	division Vb	0		0		0		0	1 9	953	145	
	LL	0		0		1 402	142	2 184 354	4	250	630 040	

## ANNEX IIB

## FISHING EFFORT FOR VESSELS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE RECOVERY OF CERTAIN SOUTHERN HAKE AND NORWAY LOBSTER STOCKS IN ICES DIVISIONS VIIIC AND IXa EXCLUDING THE GULF OF CÁDIZ

## CHAPTER I

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### 1. Scope

This Annex shall apply to EU vessels of 10 metres' length overall or more carrying on board or deploying trawls, Danish seines or similar gears of mesh size equal to or larger than 32 mm and gill-nets of mesh size equal to or larger than 60 mm or bottom longlines in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 2166/2005, and present in ICES divisions VIIIc and IXa excluding the Gulf of Cádiz.

#### 2. **Definitions**

For the purposes of this Annex:

- (a) 'gear grouping' means the grouping consisting of the following two gear categories:
  - (i) trawls, Danish seines or similar gears of mesh size equal to or larger than 32 mm and
  - (ii) gill-nets of mesh size equal to or larger than 60 mm and bottom longlines;
- (b) 'regulated gear' means any of the two gear categories belonging to the gear grouping;
- (c) 'area' means ICES divisions VIIIc and IXa excluding the Gulf of Cádiz;
- (d) '2013 management period' means the period from 1 February 2013 to 31 January 2014;
- (e) 'special conditions' means the special conditions set out in point 6.1.

## 3. Limitation in activity

Without prejudice to Article 29 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009, each Member State shall ensure that, when carrying on board any regulated gear, EU vessels flying its flag shall be present within the area for no more than the number of days specified in Chapter III of this Annex.

## CHAPTER II

#### **AUTHORISATIONS**

#### 4. **Authorised vessels**

4.1. A Member State shall not authorise fishing with a regulated gear in the area by any of vessels flying its flag which have no record of such fishing activity in the years 2002 to 2012 in the area, excluding the record of fishing activities as a result of transfer of days between fishing vessels, unless it ensures that equivalent capacity, measured in kilowatts, is prevented from fishing in the area.

4.2. A vessel flying the flag of a Member State having no quotas in the area shall not be authorised to fish in the area with a regulated gear, unless the vessel is allocated a quota after a transfer as permitted in accordance with Article 20(5) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 and is allocated days at sea in accordance with point 11 or 12 of this Annex.

## CHAPTER III

## NUMBER OF DAYS PRESENT WITHIN THE AREA ALLOCATED TO EU VESSELS

#### 5. Maximum number of days

- 5.1. During the 2013 management period, the maximum number of days at sea for which a Member State may authorise a vessel flying its flag to be present within the area having carried on board any regulated gear is shown in Table I.
- 5.2. If a vessel is able to demonstrate that its hake catches represent less than 4 % of the total live weight of fish caught in a given fishing trip, the flag Member State of the vessel shall be allowed not to count the days at sea associated with that fishing trip against the applicable maximum number of days at sea as set out in Table I.

#### 6. **Special conditions for the allocation of days**

- 6.1. For the purposes of fixing the maximum number of days at sea an EU vessel may be authorised by its flag Member State to be present within the area, the following special conditions shall apply in accordance with Table I:
- (a) the total landings of hake in the year 2010 or 2011 made by the vessel concerned shall represent less than 5 tonnes according to the landings in live weight; and
- (b) the total landings of Norway lobster in the year 2010 or 2011 made by the vessel concerned shall represent less than 2,5 tonnes according to the landings in live weight.
- 6.2. If a vessel benefits from an unlimited number of days as a result of its compliance with the special conditions, the vessel's landings in the 2013 management period shall not exceed 5 tonnes of the total landings in live weight of hake and 2,5 tonnes of the total landings in live weight of Norway lobster.
- 6.3. When either of the special conditions is not met by a vessel, that vessel shall, with immediate effect, no longer be entitled to the allocation of days corresponding to the given special condition.
- 6.4. The application of the special conditions referred to in point 6.1. may be transferred from one vessel to one or more other vessels which replace that vessel in the fleet, provided that the replacing vessel uses similar gear and does not have in any year of its operation a record of landings of hake and Norway lobster higher than the quantities specified in point 6.1.

Maximum number of days a vessel may be present within the area by fishing gear per year

<b>Special condition</b>	<b>Regulated gear</b>	Maximum number of days

Table I

# Maximum number of days a vessel may be present within the area by fishing gear per year

	, , ,	ES	141
	Danish seines and similar trawls of	FR	134
	mesh size $\ge 32$ mm, gill-nets of mesh size $\ge 60$ mm and bottom longlines	PT	140
6.1.(a) and 6.1.(b)	Bottom trawls, Danish seines and similar trawls of mesh size $\geq 32$ mm, gill-nets of mesh size $\geq 60$ mm and bottom longlines	Unlimited	<u>.</u>

## 7. Kilowatt day system

- 7.1. A Member State may manage its fishing effort allocations in accordance with a kilowatt days system. Through that system it may authorise any vessel concerned by any regulated gear and special conditions as set out in Table I to be present within the area for a maximum number of days which is different from that set out in that Table, provided that the overall amount of kilowatt days corresponding to the regulated gear and to the special conditions is respected.
- 7.2. This overall amount of kilowatt days shall be the sum of all individual fishing efforts allocated to the vessels flying the flag of that Member State and qualified for the regulated gear and, where applicable, the special conditions. Such individual fishing efforts shall be calculated in kilowatt days by multiplying the engine power of each vessel by the number of days at sea it would benefit from, according to Table I, if point 7.1. were not applied. For as long as the number of days is unlimited according to Table I, the relevant number of days the vessel would benefit from is 360.
- 7.3. A Member State wishing to benefit from the system referred to in point 7.1. shall submit a request to the Commission, with reports in electronic format containing, for the regulated gear and special conditions as laid down in Table I, the details of the calculation based on:
- (a) list of vessels authorised to fish by indicating their EU fishing fleet register number (CFR) and their engine power;
- (b) track record of 2010 and 2011 for such vessels reflecting the catch composition defined in the special condition referred to in point 6.1.(a) or (b), if these vessels are qualified for such special conditions;
- (c) the number of days at sea for which each vessel would have initially been authorised to fish according to Table I and the number of days at sea which each vessel would benefit from in application of point 7.1.

7.4. On the basis of that request, the Commission shall assess whether the conditions referred to in point 7 are complied with and, where applicable, may authorise that Member State to benefit from the system referred to in point 7.1.

## 8. Allocation of additional days for permanent cessation of fishing activities

- 8.1. An additional number of days at sea on which a vessel may be authorised by its flag Member State to be present within the area when carrying on board any regulated gear may be allocated to a Member State by the Commission on the basis of permanent cessations of fishing activities that have taken place between 1 February 2012 and 31 January 2013 either in accordance with Article 23 of Regulation (EC) No 1198/2006<sup>(18)</sup> or Regulation (EC) No 744/2008<sup>(19)</sup>. Permanent cessations resulting from any other circumstances may be considered by the Commission on a case-by-case basis, following a written and duly motivated request from the Member State concerned. Such written request shall identify the vessels concerned and confirm, for each of them, that they shall never return to fishing activities.
- 8.2. The effort expended in 2003 measured in kilowatt days of the withdrawn vessels using the regulated gear shall be divided by the effort expended by all vessels using that gear during 2003. The additional number of days at sea shall be then calculated by multiplying the ratio so obtained by the number of days that would have been allocated according to Table I. Any part of a day resulting from that calculation shall be rounded to the nearest whole day.
- 8.3. Points 8.1. and 8.2. shall not apply where a vessel has been replaced in accordance with point 3 or 6.4., or when the withdrawal has already been used in previous years to obtain additional days at sea.
- 8.4. A Member State wishing to benefit from the allocations referred to in point 8.1. shall submit a request to the Commission, by 15 June 2013, with reports in electronic format containing, for the gear grouping and special conditions as laid down in Table I, the details of the calculation based on:
- (a) lists of withdrawn vessels with their EU fishing fleet register number (CFR) and their engine power;
- (b) the fishing activity deployed by such vessels in 2003 calculated in days at sea according to the grouping of fishing gears and, if necessary, special conditions.
- 8.5. On the basis of such a request by a Member State the Commission may, by means of implementing acts, allocate that Member State a number of days additional to that referred to in point 5.1. for that Member State. Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 14(2).
- 8.6. During the 2013 management period, a Member State may re-allocate those additional days at sea to all or part of the vessels remaining in fleet and qualified for the regulated gears. Additional days stemming from a withdrawn vessel that benefited from a special condition referred to in point 6.1.(a) or (b) may not be allocated to a vessel remaining active that does not benefit from a special condition.
- 8.7. When the Commission allocates additional days at sea due to a permanent cessation of fishing activities during the 2013 management period, the maximum number of days per Member State and gear shown in Table I shall be adjusted accordingly for the 2014 management period.
- 9. Allocation of additional days for enhanced scientific observer coverage

- 9.1. Three additional days on which a vessel may be present within the area when carrying on board any regulated gear may be allocated to a Member State by the Commission on the basis of an enhanced programme of scientific observer coverage in partnership between scientists and the fishing industry. Such a programme shall focus in particular on levels of discarding and on catch composition and shall go beyond the requirements on data collection, as laid down in Regulation (EC) No 199/2008<sup>(20)</sup> and its implementing rules for national programmes.
- 9.2. Scientific observers shall be independent from the owner, the master of the vessel and any crew member.
- 9.3. A Member State wishing to benefit from the allocations referred to in point 9.1. shall submit a description of its enhanced scientific observer coverage programme to the Commission for approval.
- 9.4. On the basis of that description, and after consultation with STECF, the Commission may, by means of implementing acts, allocate the Member State concerned a number of days additional to that referred to in point 5.1. for that Member State and for the vessels, the area and gear concerned by the enhanced programme of scientific observers. Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 14(2).
- 9.5. If an enhanced scientific observer coverage programme submitted by a Member State has been approved by the Commission in the past and the Member State concerned wishes to continue its application without changes, it shall inform the Commission of the continuation of that programme four weeks before the beginning of the period for which the programme applies.

## CHAPTER IV

## MANAGEMENT

## 10. **General obligation**

Member States shall manage the maximum allowable effort in accordance with the conditions laid down in Article 8 of Regulation (EC) No 2166/2005 and Articles 26 to 35 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009.

#### 11. Management periods

- 11.1. A Member State may divide the days present within the area set out in Table I into management periods of durations of one or more calendar months.
- 11.2. The number of days or hours for which a vessel may be present within the area during a management period shall be fixed by the Member State concerned.
- 11.3. Where a Member State authorises vessels flying its flag to be present within the area by hours, the Member State shall continue measuring the consumption of days as specified in point 10. Upon request by the Commission, the Member State shall demonstrate its precautionary measures taken to avoid an excessive consumption of days within the area due to a vessel terminating presences in the area before the end of a 24-hour period.

## CHAPTER V

## **EXCHANGES OF FISHING EFFORT ALLOCATIONS**

## 12. Transfer of days between fishing vessels flying the flag of a Member State

- 12.1. A Member State may permit any fishing vessel flying its flag to transfer days present within the area for which it has been authorised to another vessel flying its flag within the area, provided that the product of the days received by a vessel multiplied by its engine power in kilowatts (kilowatt days) is equal to or less than the product of the days transferred by the donor vessel and the engine power in kilowatts of that vessel. The engine power in kilowatts of the vessels shall be that recorded for each vessel in the EU fishing fleet register.
- 12.2. The total number of days present within the area transferred in accordance with point 12.1., multiplied by the engine power in kilowatts of the donor vessel, shall not be higher than the donor vessel's average annual days track record in the area as verified by the fishing logbook in the years 2010 and 2011 multiplied by the engine power in kilowatts of that vessel.
- 12.3. The transfer of days as described in point 12.1. shall be permitted between vessels operating with any regulated gear and during the same management period.
- 12.4. The transfer of days is only permitted for vessels benefiting from an allocation of fishing days without special conditions.
- 12.5. On request from the Commission, Member States shall provide information on the transfers that have taken place. The format of spreadsheets for the collection and transmission of information referred to in this point may be established by the Commission, by means of implementing acts. Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 14(2).

#### 13. Transfer of days between fishing vessels flying the flag of different Member States

Member States may permit the transfer of days present within the area for the same management period and within the area between any fishing vessels flying their flags provided that points 4.1. and 4.2. and 12 apply *mutatis mutandis*. Where Member States decide to authorise such a transfer, they shall notify the Commission, before the transfer takes place, of the details of the transfer, including the number of days to be transferred, the fishing effort and, where applicable, the fishing quotas relating thereto.

## CHAPTER VI

## **REPORTING OBLIGATIONS**

#### 14. **Fishing effort report**

Article 28 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 shall apply to vessels falling under the scope of this Annex. The geographical area referred to in that Article shall be understood as the area specified in point 2 of this Annex.

#### 15. **Collection of relevant data**

Member States, on the basis of information used for the management of fishing days present within the area as set out in this Annex, shall collect on a quarterly basis the information about total fishing effort deployed within the area for towed gears and static gears, effort deployed

by vessels using different types of gear in the area, and the engine power of those vessels in kilowatt days.

## 16. **Communication of relevant data**

Upon request from the Commission, Member States shall make available to the Commission a spreadsheet with data specified in point 15 in the format specified in Tables II and III by sending it to the appropriate electronic mailbox address, which shall be communicated to the Member States by the Commission. Member States shall, upon the Commission's request, send to the Commission detailed information on effort allocated and consumed covering all or parts of the 2012 and 2013 management periods, using the data format specified in Tables IV and V.

## TABLE II

#### Reporting format kW-day information by year

Member State	Gear	Year	Cumulative effort declaration		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)		

## TABLE III

Nam	e of field	Maximum number of characters/digits	Alignment <sup>a</sup> L(eft)/ R(ight)	Definition and comments		
(1)	Member State	3		Member State (Alpha-3 ISO code) in which the vessel is registered		
(2)	Gear	2		One of the following gear types:		
				TR =trawls, Danish seines and similar gear $\geq 32 \text{ mm}$ GN =gillnets $\geq 60 \text{ mm}$ LL =bottom longlines		
(3)	Year	4		Either 2006 or 2007 or 2008 or 2009 or 2010 or 2011 or 2012 or 2013		
(4)	Cumulative effort declaration	7	R	Cumulative amount of fishing effort expressed in kilowatt days deployed from 1 January until 31 December of the relevant year		

#### Data format kW-day information by year

## TABLE IV

# Reporting format for vessel-related information

Me Sta	m <b>beR</b> Ext <b>el:angfb</b> ar notified ite marking management period		coi apj to i	Special condition applying to notified gear(s)		Days eligible using notified gear(s)		Days spent with notified gear(s)		Transfer of days											
				No 1	No 2	No 3	•••	No 1	No 2	No 3	•••	No 1	No	No 3	•••	No 1	No 2	No 3	•••		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	<b>(</b> 5)	(5)	(5)	(5)	<b>1</b> (6)	<u>2</u> (6)	(6)	(6)	(7)	(7)	(7)	(7)	<b>1</b> (8)	2 (8)	(8)	(8)	(9)	

# TABLE V

# Data format for vessel-related information

Nar	ne of field	Maximum number of characters/digits	Alignment <sup>a</sup> L(eft)/ R(ight)	Definition and comments		
(1)	Member State	3		Member State (Alpha-3 ISO code) in which vessel is registered		
(2)	CFR	12		EU fishing fleet register number (CFR) Unique identification number of a fishing vessel Member State (Alpha-3 ISO code) followed by an identifying series (9 characters). Where a series has fewer than 9 characters, additional zeros shall be inserted on the left hand side		
(3)	External marking	14	L	Under Regulation (EEC) No 1381/87 <sup>b</sup>		
(4)	Length of management period	2	L	Length of the management period measured in months		
(5)	Gears notified	2	L	One of the following gear types:		
<b>a</b> ]	Information relevant for t	ransmission of data by fixed-len	gth formatting.			

documentation of fishing vessels (OJ L 132, 21.5.1987, p. 9).

			TR =trawls, Danish seines and similar gear $\geq 32 \text{ mm}$ GN =gillnets $\geq 60 \text{ mm}$ LL =bottom longlines
Special condition applying to notified gear(s)	2	L	Indication of which, if any, of the special condition referred to in point 6.1.(a) or (b) of Annex IIB that apply
Days eligible using notified gear(s)	3	L	Number of days for which the vessel is eligible under Annex IIB for the choice of gears and length of management period notified
Days spent with notified gear(s)	3	L	Number of days the vessel actually spent present within the area and using a gear corresponding to gear notified during the notified management period
Transfers of days	4	L	For days transferred indicate '– number of days transferred' and for days received indicate '+ number of days transferred'
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**b** Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1381/87 of 20 May 1987 establishing detailed rules concerning the marking and documentation of fishing vessels (OJ L 132, 21.5.1987, p. 9).

## ANNEX IIC

## FISHING EFFORT FOR VESSELS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE MANAGEMENT OF WESTERN CHANNEL SOLE STOCKS IN ICES DIVISION VIIe

#### CHAPTER I

## GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### 1. Scope

- 1.1. This Annex shall apply to EU vessels of 10 metres length overall or more carrying on board or deploying beam trawls of mesh size equal to or greater than 80 mm and static nets including gill-nets, trammel-nets and tangle-nets with mesh size equal to or less than 220 mm in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 509/2007, and present in ICES division VIIe. For the purposes of this Annex, a reference to the 2013 management period means the period from 1 February 2013 to 31 January 2014.
- 1.2. Vessels fishing with static nets with mesh size equal to or larger than 120 mm and with track records of less than 300 kg live weight of sole per year during the three previous years, according to their fishing records, shall be exempt from the application of this Annex subject to the following conditions:
- (a) such vessels catch less than 300 kg live weight of sole during the 2013 management period;
- (b) such vessels do not tranship any fish at sea to another vessel;
- (c) by 31 July 2013 and 31 January 2014 each Member State concerned make a report to the Commission on these vessels' catch records for sole in the three previous years as well as on catches of sole in 2013.

Where any of these conditions is not met, the vessels concerned shall, with immediate effect, cease to be exempt from the application of this Annex.

#### 2. **Definitions**

For the purposes of this Annex the following definitions shall apply:

- (a) 'gear grouping' means the grouping consisting of the following two gear categories:
  - (i) beam trawls of mesh size equal to or greater than 80 mm and
  - (ii) a static nets, including gill-nets, trammel nets and tangle-nets, with mesh size equal to or less than 220 mm;
- (b) 'regulated gear' means any of the two gear categories belonging to the gear grouping;
- (c) 'area' means ICES division VIIe;
- (d) '2013 management period' means the period from 1 February 2013 to 31 January 2014.

## 3. Limitation in activity

Without prejudice to Article 29 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009, each Member State shall ensure that, when carrying on board any regulated gear, EU vessels flying its flag and registered

in the Union shall be present within the area for no more than the number of days set out in Chapter III of this Annex.

## CHAPTER II

## AUTHORISATIONS

#### 4. **Authorised vessels**

- 4.1 A Member State shall not authorise fishing with a regulated gear in the area by any of vessels flying its flag which have no record of such fishing activity in the years 2002 to 2012 in that area unless it ensures that equivalent capacity, measured in kilowatts, is prevented from fishing in the area.
- 4.2 However, a vessel with a track record of using a regulated gear may be authorised to use a different fishing gear, provided that the number of days allocated to this latter gear is greater than or equal to the number of days allocated to the regulated gear.
- 4.3 A vessel flying the flag of a Member State having no quotas in the area shall not be authorised to fish in the area with a regulated gear, unless the vessel is allocated a quota after a transfer as permitted in accordance with Article 20(5) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 and is allocated days at sea in accordance with point 10 or 11 of this Annex.

## CHAPTER III

#### NUMBER OF DAYS PRESENT WITHIN THE AREA ALLOCATED TO EU VESSELS

## 5. Maximum number of days

During the 2013 management period, the maximum number of days at sea for which a Member State may authorise a vessel flying its flag to be present within the area having carried on board any regulated gear is shown in Table I.

## TABLE I

# Maximum number of days a vessel may be present within the area by category of regulated gear per year

Regulated gear	Maximum number of days			
Beam trawls of mesh size $\ge 80 \text{ mm}$	164			
Static nets with mesh size $\leq 220 \text{ mm}$	164			

#### 6. **Kilowatt day system**

6.1. During the 2013 management period, a Member State may manage its fishing effort allocations in accordance with a kilowatt days system. Through that system it may authorise any vessel concerned by any regulated gear as set out in Table I to be present within the area for a maximum number of days which is different from that set out in that Table, provided that the overall amount of kilowatt days corresponding to the regulated gear is respected.

- 6.2. This overall amount of kilowatt days shall be the sum of all individual fishing efforts allocated to the vessels flying the flag of that Member State and qualified for the regulated gear. Such individual fishing efforts shall be calculated in kilowatt days by multiplying the engine power of each vessel by the number of days at sea it would benefit from, according to Table I, if point 6.1. were not applied.
- 6.3. A Member State wishing to benefit from the system referred to in point 6.1. shall submit a request to the Commission, with reports in electronic format containing, for the regulated gear as laid down in Table I, the details of the calculation based on:
- (a) list of vessels authorised to fish by indicating their EU fishing fleet register number (CFR) and their engine power;
- (b) the number of days at sea for which each vessel would have initially been authorised to fish according to Table I and the number of days at sea which each vessel would benefit from in application of point 6.1.
- 6.4. On the basis of that request, the Commission shall assess whether the conditions referred to in point 6 are complied with and, where applicable, may authorise that Member State to benefit from the system referred to in point 6.1.

## 7. Allocation of additional days for permanent cessation of fishing activities

- 7.1. An additional number of days at sea on which a vessel may be authorised by its flag Member State to be present within the area when carrying on board any regulated gear may be allocated to a Member State by the Commission on the basis of permanent cessations of fishing activities that have taken place since 1 January 2004 either in accordance with Article 23 of Regulation (EC) No 1198/2006 or Regulation (EC) No 744/2008. Permanent cessations resulting from any other circumstances may be considered by the Commission on a case-by-case basis, following a written and duly motivated request from the Member State concerned. Such written request shall identify the vessels concerned and confirm, for each of them, that they shall never return to fishing activities.
- 7.2. The effort expended in 2003 measured in kilowatt days of the withdrawn vessels using a given gear grouping shall be divided by the effort expended by all vessels using that gear grouping during 2003. The additional number of days at sea shall be then calculated by multiplying the ratio so obtained by the number of days that would have been allocated according to Table I. Any part of a day resulting from that calculation shall be rounded to the nearest whole day.
- 7.3. Points 7.1.and 7.2. shall not apply where a vessel has been replaced in accordance with point 4.2., or when the withdrawal has already been used in previous years to obtain additional days at sea.
- 7.4. A Member State wishing to benefit from the allocations referred to in point 7.1. shall submit a request to the Commission, by 15 June 2013, with reports in electronic format containing for the gear grouping as laid down in Table I, the details of the calculation based on:
- (a) lists of withdrawn vessels with their EU fishing fleet register number (CFR) and their engine power;
- (b) the fishing activity deployed by such vessels in 2003 calculated in days at sea according to the grouping of fishing gears.

- 7.5. On the basis of such a request by a Member State the Commission may, by means of implementing acts, allocate that Member State a number of days additional to that referred to in point 5 for that Member State. Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 14(2).
- 7.6. During the 2013 management period, a Member State may re-allocate those additional days at sea to all or part of the vessels remaining in fleet and qualified for the regulated gears.
- 7.7. A Member State may not re-allocate in the 2013 management period any additional number of days resulting from a permanent cessation of activity previously allocated by the Commission, unless the Commission has taken a decision that reassesses those additional numbers of days on the basis of the current gear groupings and limitations in days at sea. Upon the Member State's request to reassess the number of days, the Member State is provisionally authorised to reallocate 50 % of the additional number of days, until the Commission takes its decision.

## 8. Allocation of additional days for enhanced scientific observer coverage

- 8.1. Three additional days on which a vessel may be present within the area when carrying on board any regulated gear may be allocated between 1 February 2013 and 31 January 2014 to a Member State by the Commission on the basis of an enhanced programme of scientific observer coverage in partnership between scientists and the fishing industry. Such a programme shall focus in particular on levels of discarding and on catch composition and go beyond the requirements on data collection, as laid down in Regulation (EC) No 199/2008 and its implementing rules for national programmes.
- 8.2. Scientific observers shall be independent from the owner, the master of the fishing vessel and any crew member.
- 8.3. A Member State wishing to benefit from the allocations referred to in point 8.1. shall submit a description of its enhanced scientific observer coverage programme to the Commission for approval.
- 8.4. On the basis of that description, and after consultation with STECF, the Commission may, by means of implementing acts, allocate the Member State concerned a number of days additional to that referred to in point 5 for that Member State and for the vessels, the area and gear concerned by the enhanced programme of scientific observers. Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 14(2).
- 8.5. If an enhanced scientific observer coverage programme submitted by a Member State has been approved by the Commission in the past and the Member State concerned wishes to continue its application without changes, it shall inform the Commission of the continuation of that programme four weeks before the beginning of the period for which the programme applies.

## CHAPTER IV

## MANAGEMENT

## 9. **General obligation**

Member States shall manage the maximum allowable effort in accordance with Articles 26 to 35 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009.

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## 10. Management periods

- 10.1. A Member State may divide the days present within the area set out in Table I into management periods of durations of one or more calendar months.
- 10.2. The number of days or hours for which a vessel may be present within the area during a management period shall be fixed by the Member State concerned.
- 10.3. Where a Member State authorises vessels flying its flag to be present within the area by hours, the Member State shall continue measuring the consumption of days as specified in point 9. Upon request by the Commission, the Member State shall demonstrate its precautionary measures taken to avoid an excessive consumption of days within the area due to a vessel terminating presences in the area before the end of a 24-hours period.

## CHAPTER V

## **EXCHANGES OF FISHING EFFORT ALLOCATIONS**

#### 11. Transfer of days between fishing vessels flying the flag of a Member State

- 11.1. A Member State may permit any fishing vessel flying its flag to transfer days present within the area for which it has been authorised to another vessel flying its flag within the area, provided that the product of the days received by a vessel multiplied by its engine power in kilowatts (kilowatt days) is equal to or less than the product of the days transferred by the donor vessel and the engine power in kilowatts of that vessel. The engine power in kilowatts of the vessels shall be that recorded for each vessel in the EU fishing fleet register.
- 11.2. The total number of days present within the area transferred in accordance with point 11.1., multiplied by the engine power in kilowatts of the donor vessel, shall not be higher than the donor vessel's average annual days track record in the area as verified by the fishing logbook in the years 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005 multiplied by the engine power in kilowatts of that vessel.
- 11.3. The transfer of days as described in point 11.1. shall be permitted between vessels operating with any regulated gear and during the same management period.
- 11.4. On request from the Commission, Member States shall provide information on the transfers that have taken place. Formats of spreadsheet for the collection and transmission of information referred to in this point may be established by the Commission, by means of implementing acts. Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 14(2).

#### 12. Transfer of days between fishing vessels flying the flag of different Member States

Member States may permit transfer of days present within the area for the same management period and within the area between any fishing vessels flying their flags provided that points 4.2., 4.4., 5, 6 and 10 apply *mutatis mutandis*. Where Member States decide to authorise such a transfer, they shall notify the Commission before the transfer takes place, the details of the transfer, including the number of days to be transferred, the fishing effort and, where applicable, the fishing quotas relating thereto.

## CHAPTER VI

## **REPORTING OBLIGATIONS**

## 13. **Fishing effort report**

Article 28 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 shall apply to vessels falling under the scope of this Annex. The geographical area referred to in that Article shall be understood as the area specified in point 2 of this Annex.

## 14. **Collection of relevant data**

Member States, on the basis of information used for the management of fishing days present within the area as set out in this Annex, shall collect on a quarterly basis the information about total fishing effort deployed within the area for towed gears and static gears, effort deployed by vessels using different types of gear in the area, and the engine power of those vessels in kilowatt days.

## 15. **Communication of relevant data**

Upon request from the Commission, Member States shall make available to the Commission a spreadsheet with data specified in point 14 in the format specified in Tables II and III by sending it to the appropriate electronic mailbox address, which shall be communicated to the Member States by the Commission. Member States shall, upon the Commission's request, send to the Commission detailed information on effort allocated and consumed covering all or parts of the 2012 and 2013 management periods, using the data format specified in Tables IV and V.

## TABLE II

## Reporting format kW-day information by year

Member State	Gear	Year	Cumulative effort declaration		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)		

TABLE III

## Data format kW-day information by year

Name of field		Maximum number of characters/digits	Alignment <sup>a</sup> L(eft)/ R(ight)	Definition and comments		
(1)	Member State	3		Member State (Alpha-3 ISO code) in which the vessel is registered		
(2)	Gear	2		One of the following gear types:		
				BT =beam trawls ≥ 80 mm GN =gillnet < 220 mm		

				TN =trammel net or entangling net < 220 mm				
(3)	Year	4		Either 2006 or 2007 or 2008 or 2009 or 2010 or 2011 or 2012 or 2013				
(4)	Cumulative effort declaration	7	R	Cumulative amount of fishing effort expressed in kilowatt days deployed from 1 January until 31 December of the relevant year				
<b>a</b> Inf	Information relevant for transmission of data by fixed-length formatting.							

## TABLE IV

## Reporting format for vessel-related information

Mei Stat	n <b>beF</b> l e		er <b>hai</b> k <b>öfi</b> g	0	r not	ified		Days eligible using notified			Days spent with notified gear(s)			Transfer of		
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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(5)	(5)	(5)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(7)	(7)	(7)	(7)	(8)

## TABLE V

#### Data format for vessel-related information

Name of field		Maximum number of characters/digits	Alignment <sup>ª</sup> L(eft)/ R(ight)	Definition and comments		
(1)	Member State	3		Member State (Alpha-3 ISO code) in which vessel is registered		
(2)	CFR	12		EU fishing fleet register number (CFR) Unique identification number of a fishing vessel Member State (Alpha-3 ISO code) followed by an identifying series (9 characters). Where a series has fewer than 9 characters, additional zeros shall		

				be inserted on the left hand side
(3)	External marking	14	L	Under Regulation (EEC) No 1381/87
(4)	Length of management period	2	L	Length of the management period measured in months
(5)	Gears notified	2	L	One of the following gear types: BT =beam trawls $\geq 80 \text{ mm}$ GN =gillnet < 220  mm TN =trammel net or entangling net < 220  mm
(6)	Special condition applying to notified gear(s)	3	L	Number of days for which the vessel is eligible under Annex IIC for the choice of gears and length of management period notified
(7)	Days spent with notified gear(s)	3	L	Number of days the vessel actually spent present within the area and using a gear corresponding to gear notified during the notified management period
(8)	Transfers of days	4	L	For days transferred indicate '– number of days transferred' and for days received indicate '+ number of days transferred'
a Inf	formation relevant for t	ransmission of data by fixed-len	gth formatting.	

- (1) OJ L 358, 31.12.2002, p. 59.
- (2) OJ L 345, 28.12.2005, p. 5.
- (**3**) OJ L 122, 11.5.2007, p. 7.
- (**4**) OJ L 344, 20.12.2008, p. 6.
- (5) OJ L 348, 24.12.2008, p. 20.
- (6) Council Regulation (EC) No 811/2004 of 21 April 2004 establishing measures for the recovery of the northern hake stock (OJ L 150, 30.4.2004, p. 1).
- (7) Council Regulation (EC) No 388/2006 of 23 February 2006 establishing a multiannual plan for the sustainable exploitation of the stock of sole in the Bay of Biscay (OJ L 65, 7.3.2006, p. 1).
- (8) OJ L 115, 9.5.1996, p. 3.
- (9) OJ L 281, 23.11.1995, p. 31.
- (**10**) OJ L 214, 19.8.2009, p. 16.
- (11) OJ L 343, 22.12.2009, p. 1.
- (**12**) OJ L 55, 28.2.2011, p. 13.
- (13) Commission Regulation (EC) No 517/2008 of 10 June 2008 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 850/98 as regards the determination of the mesh size and assessing the thickness of twine of fishing nets (OJ L 151, 11.6.2008, p. 5).
- (14) Regulation (EC) No 218/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2009 on the submission of nominal catch statistics by Member States fishing in the north-east Atlantic (OJ L 87, 31.3.2009, p. 70).
- (15) Regulation (EC) No 216/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2009 on the submission of nominal catch statistics by Member States fishing in certain areas other than those of the North Atlantic (OJ L 87, 31.3.2009, p. 1).
- (16) Council Regulation (EC) No 1006/2008 of 29 September 2008 concerning authorisations for fishing activities of Community fishing vessels outside Community waters and the access of third country vessels to Community waters (OJ L 286, 29.10.2008, p. 33).
- (17) Council Regulation (EC) No 1954/2003 of 4 November 2003 on the management of the fishing effort relating to certain Community fishing areas and resources (OJ L 289, 7.11.2003, p. 1).
- (18) Council Regulation (EC) No 1198/2006 of 27 July 2006 on the European Fisheries Fund (OJ L 223, 15.8.2006, p. 1).
- (19) Council Regulation (EC) No 744/2008 of 24 July 2008 instituting a temporary specific action aiming to promote the restructuring of the European Community fishing fleets affected by the economic crisis (OJ L 202, 31.7.2008, p. 1).
- (20) Council Regulation (EC) No 199/2008 of 25 February 2008 concerning the establishment of a Community framework for the collection, management and use of data in the fisheries sector and support for scientific advice regarding the Common Fisheries Policy (OJ L 60, 5.3.2008, p. 1).