Council Regulation (EU) No 43/2014 of 20 January 2014 fixing for 2014 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, to Union vessels, in certain non-Union waters

# TITLE III

# FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIRD-COUNTRY VESSELS IN UNION WATERS

Article 39

### **TACs**

Fishing vessels flying the flag of Norway and fishing vessels registered in the Faroe Islands shall be authorised to make catches in Union waters within the TACs set out in Annex I to this Regulation and subject to the conditions provided for in this Regulation and Chapter III of Regulation (EC) No 1006/2008.

#### Article 40

## Fishing authorisations

- 1 The maximum number of fishing authorisations for third-country vessels fishing in Union waters is laid down in Annex VIII.
- 2 Fish from stocks for which TACs are fixed shall not be retained on board or landed unless the catches have been taken by third-country vessels having a quota and that quota is not exhausted.

#### Article 41

### **Prohibitions**

- 1 It shall be prohibited for third-country 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 Union waters;
  - b angel shark (Squatina squatina) in Union waters;
  - c common skate (*Dipturus batis*) complex (*Dipturus* cf. *flossada* and *Dipturus* cf. *intermedia*) in Union waters of ICES division IIa and ICES subareas III, IV, VI, VII, VIII, IX and X;
  - d undulate ray (*Raja undulata*) in Union waters of ICES subareas VI, IX and X and white skate (*Raja alba*) in Union waters of ICES subareas VI, VII, VIII, IX and X;
  - e porbeagle (*Lamna nasus*) in Union waters;
  - f guitarfishes (*Rhinobatidae*) in Union waters of ICES subareas I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X and XII;
  - g giant manta ray (Manta birostris) in Union waters.

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