

ANNEX X

BLACK SEA

PART A

Minimum conservation reference sizes

Species	Minimum Conservation Reference Size
Turbot (<i>Psetta maxima</i>)	45 cm

PART B

Mesh sizes

1. Baseline mesh sizes for towed gear for demersal stocks

The following mesh sizes shall apply in the Black Sea:

Mesh Size	Geographical Areas	Conditions
At least 40 mm	Whole area	A diamond mesh codend of 50 mm ^a may be used as an alternative to the 40 mm square mesh cod end at the duly justified request of the vessel owner

a Only one type of net (either 40 mm square mesh or 50 mm diamond mesh) is allowed to be kept on board or deployed.

2. Baseline mesh sizes for static nets

The following mesh sizes for static nets shall apply in the Black Sea:

Mesh Size	Geographical Areas	Conditions
At least 400 mm	Whole area	Bottom set gillnets when used to catch turbot

3. Restrictions on the use of trawls and dredges

The use of trawls or dredges at depths beyond 1 000 m shall be prohibited.