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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order designates the area described in Schedule 1 as a salmon fishery district to be known as the Wester Ross Salmon Fishery District (article 2(1)) and abolishes the existing Salmon Fishery Districts of Applecross, Badachro and Kerry (in Gairloch), Balgay, Broom, Ewe, Gruinard and Little Gruinard, Kennart (now known as Kanaird), Little Broom (now known as Little Loch Broom), Torridon and Ullapool which are superseded by it (article 2(2)).

The Order applies those regulations made under section 3 of the Salmon Act 1986 and under the Salmon Fisheries (Scotland) Acts 1862 to 1868 as respects the matters specified in section 6(6) of the Salmon Fisheries (Scotland) Act 1862 to the district designated (article 3 and Schedule 2).

The Order makes provision for the annual close time and for the period within the annual close time during which fishing for and taking salmon by rod and line is permitted (article 4). The annual close time is from 27th August to 30th February, both dates inclusive, in each year. Within the annual close time it is permitted to fish for and take salmon by rod and line in the period from 27th August to 31st October, both dates inclusive, in each year.