

SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

**2004 No. 261**

**The Shrimp Fishing Nets (Scotland) Order 2004**

**Prohibition on fishing for shrimps without a separator trawl or sorting grid**

3.—(1) This article applies to—

- (a) any Scottish fishing boat wherever it may be; and
- (b) any [<sup>F1</sup>other] fishing boat within the Scottish zone.

(2) No fishing boat to which this article applies shall carry or deploy a net the mesh of which measures between 16 and 31 millimetres unless—

- (a) netting, the mesh of which measures at least twice that of the codend and no more than 70 millimetres, is fitted across the entire cross-section of the net in such a way that—
  - (i) sea fish cannot reach the codend without first passing through the netting; and
  - (ii) there is a hole in the net through which all sea fish that do not pass through the netting are able to escape;
- (b) a rigid grid, the spacing between the bars of which is no more than 20 millimetres, is fitted across the entire cross-section of the net in such a way that—
  - (i) sea fish cannot reach the codend without first passing through the grid; and
  - (ii) there is a hole in the net through which all sea fish that do not pass through the grid are able to escape;
- (c) no sea fish have been caught; or

[<sup>F2</sup>(d) where sea fish have been caught, the quantity of either common shrimp (*Crangon* spp.) or Aesop shrimp (*Pandalus montagui*) or a combination of the two retained on board does not exceed 5% of the total live weight of catch retained on board <sup>F3</sup>....]

**Textual Amendments**

- F1** Word in art. 3(1)(b) substituted (31.12.2020) by Fisheries Act 2020 (c. 22), s. 54(3)(a), Sch. 2 para. 25(2) (with s. 50, Sch. 4 para. 31)
- F2** Art. 3(2)(d) substituted (7.2.2008) by The Shrimp Fishing Nets (Scotland) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/10), arts. 1, 2
- F3** Words in art. 3(2)(d) omitted (21.12.2020) by virtue of The Fisheries (Technical Conservation Measures) (EU Exit) (Scotland) (Amendment etc.) Regulations 2020 (S.S.I. 2020/367), regs. 1(2), 4(3)

**Commencement Information**

- I1** Art. 3 in force at 1.7.2004, see art. 1(1)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Shrimp Fishing Nets (Scotland) Order 2004, Section 3.