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SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2016 No. 90**

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
MARINE MANAGEMENT**

**The Loch Sunart to the Sound of Jura  
Marine Conservation Order 2016**

*Made* - - - - 3rd February 2016  
*Laid before the Scottish  
Parliament* - - - - 4th February 2016  
*Coming into force* - - 23rd March 2016

The Scottish Ministers make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 1 and 2A of the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Act 1984(1), sections 85(1)(a) and (d), (2) and (4), 86(1) and (3) and 92(1) and (5) of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010(2) and all other powers enabling them to do so.

In accordance with section 85(1)(a) of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010, this Order is made for the purpose of furthering the stated conservation objectives for the Loch Sunart to the Sound of Jura MPA(3) in so far as the stated conservation objectives relate to common skate(4).

In accordance with section 85(1)(d) of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010, this Order is made for the purpose of protecting the Firth of Lorn Special Area of Conservation(5) in respect of reefs.

In accordance with section 1(1) of the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Act 1984, the Scottish Ministers have consulted such bodies as they considered appropriate.

In accordance with section 87(2) of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010, the Scottish Ministers have sent a copy of a draft of this Order to persons whom they considered were likely to be interested in or affected by the making of this Order.

In accordance with section 87(3) of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010, the Scottish Ministers have placed a copy of a draft of this Order in such place as they considered was likely to be most

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- (1) 1984 c.26. Section 1 was amended by the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Act 1994 (c.27), section 1 and by S.I. 1999/1820. Section 2A was inserted by the Environment Act 1995 (c.25), section 103(2). The functions of the Secretary of State were transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c.46).
- (2) 2010 asp 5.
- (3) The Loch Sunart to the Sound of Jura MPA was designated by the Loch Sunart to the Sound of Jura Nature Conservation Marine Protected Area Order 2014 (“the 2014 Order”). The 2014 Order is available at <http://www.gov.scot/Resource/0045/00456493.pdf>
- (4) The conservation objectives are stated in article 5 of the 2014 Order and the protected features are stated in Schedule 2 to that Order.
- (5) The Firth of Lorn Special Area of Conservation was designated pursuant to regulation 8 of the Conservation (Natural Habitats &c.) Regulations 1994 (S.I. 1994/2716, to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order). Details of the Firth of Lorn Special Area of Conservation can be obtained online at [www.snh.org.uk](http://www.snh.org.uk) or from SNH area offices.

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convenient for the purpose of enabling it to be inspected by persons likely to be affected by the making of this Order.

In accordance with section 87(6) and (7) of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010, the Scottish Ministers have published notice of their proposal to make this Order.