

## 1970 No. 318

## SEA FISHERIES

## BOATS AND METHODS OF FISHING

## The Foreign Fishing Boats (Stowage of Gear) Order 1970

*Made* - - - 27th February 1970

*Laid before Parliament* 9th March 1970

*Coming into Operation* 10th March 1970

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretaries of State for Scotland and the Home Department (being the Secretaries of State respectively concerned with the sea-fishing industry in Scotland and Northern Ireland) (herein referred to as "the Ministers") in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by section 6(4) of the Sea Fisheries Act 1968(a) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf hereby make the following Order :—

*Citation and Commencement*

1. This Order may be cited as the Foreign Fishing Boats (Stowage of Gear) Order 1970 and shall come into operation on 10th March 1970.

*Interpretation*

2. The Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

*Stowage of Gear*

3. Where under section 6(4) of the Sea Fisheries Act 1968 any fishing gear of a foreign fishing boat is required to be stowed while the boat is in any area within the fishery limits of the British Islands, such gear shall be stowed in accordance with the following provisions :—

- (1) All such fishing gear shall be carried wholly inboard ;
- (2) All nets and trawlboards and weights shall be disconnected from their towing or hauling wires or ropes ;
- (3) All trawlboards and weights shall be secured at deck level or carried below deck ;
- (4) All nets which are on deck or above deck shall be securely lashed to some part of the superstructure of the fishing boat.

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(a) 1968 c. 77.

(b) 1889 c. 63.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 16th February 1970.

(L.S.)

*Cledwyn Hughes,*  
Minister of Agriculture,  
Fisheries and Food.

Given under the seal of the Secretary of State for Scotland on 17th February 1970.

(L.S.)

*William Ross,*  
Secretary of State for Scotland.

Given under the Hand of the Secretary of State for the Home Department on 27th February 1970.

*James Callaghan,*  
Secretary of State for the  
Home Department.

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

This Order prescribes how fishing gear is to be stowed on foreign fishing boats while in the fishery limits of the British Islands. The requirements of the Order apply to all fishing gear in the case of a fishing boat which is totally prohibited from fishing within those limits. In the case of boats which are permitted to fish in designated areas of those limits for designated fish, the requirements apply to any gear not required for that purpose.