STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1997 No. 2509

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Oil and Chemical Pollution of Fish) Order 1997

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Oil and Chemical Pollution of Fish) Order 1997 and shall come into force at 1200 hours on 21st October 1997.

(2) In this Order-

"relevant time" means 00:01 am on 21st October 1997.

Designated circumstances

2. In the opinion of the Secretary of State fish in the area designated in article 3 below may be affected by oil or other chemical substances which are likely to create a hazard to human health if they are consumed.

Designated area

3. The area described in the Schedule to this Order is hereby designated for the purposes of Part I of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985.

Activity prohibited in the designated area

4. No person shall fish for and take fish in the designated area.

Prohibited movement of fish

5. No person shall move any fish out of the designated area.

Restrictions throughout the United Kingdom

- 6. No person shall in the United Kingdom or in United Kingdom waters-
 - (a) use any fish taken out of the designated area after the relevant time in the preparation or processing for supply of food and anything from which food could be derived,
 - (b) land any fish which were taken from waters in the designated area after the relevant time,
 - (c) supply, or have in possession for supply, any fish which were in the designated area after the relevant time,
 - (d) supply, or have in possession for supply, any food or anything from which food could be derived in the preparation or processing of which anything was used in contravention of paragraph (a) of this article,
 - (e) feed to any creature a feeding stuff in the preparation or processing of which anything was used in contravention of paragraph (a) of this article.

Pentland House, Edinburgh 21st October 1997

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