

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This instrument brings into force, on two appointed days, certain provisions of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 (“the Act”).

Article 2 and Part 1 of the Schedule provide for the commencement, on 1st April 2010, of certain provisions of Part 1 of the Act (relating to the Marine Management Organisation); certain provisions of Schedule 8 (relating to the Petroleum Act 1998); the repeal of a number of enactments relating to fisheries referred to in Chapter 4 of Part 7, and related repeals in Schedule 22.

Article 3 and Part 2 of the Schedule provide for the commencement, on 1st January 2011, of the remaining provisions of Part 7 of, and Schedule 16 to, the Act (relating to fisheries), and related repeals in Schedule 22.

Article 4 contains transitional provisions relating to sections 12 and 13 of the Act.

A full impact assessment of the effect that the Act will have on the costs of business and the voluntary sector has been produced, and copies are available from the website of the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs at www.defra.gov.uk. No separate impact assessment has been produced for this instrument.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 (Commencement No.2 and Transitional Provisions) Order 2010.