
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2021 No. 1429

The Sea Fisheries (Amendment etc.) (No. 2) Regulations 2021

Council Regulation (EU) 2020/123 fixing for 2020 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters

10.—(1) Council Regulation (EU) 2020/123 fixing for 2020 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters⁽¹⁾ is amended as follows.

(2) In Article 10 (measures on European seabass fisheries)—

(a) in paragraph 1—

(i) for “Until the end of 2021 it” substitute “It”;

(ii) for “During that period it” substitute “It”;

(b) in paragraph 2—

(i) in the first subparagraph—

(aa) for “until the end of January 2021 and from 1 April to the end of December 2021” substitute “during January and during the period from 1 April to the end of December in each calendar year”;

(bb) for points (a) and (b) substitute—

“(a) using demersal trawls (OTT, OTB, PTB, TBB, TBN, TBS and TB), as specified in Annex XI of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 404/2011 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 establishing a Community control system for ensuring compliance with the rules of the Common Fisheries Policy (“Annex XI”), for unavoidable by-catches not exceeding 380 kilogrammes per month and 5 % of the weight of the total catches of marine organisms on board caught by that vessel per fishing trip;

(b) using seines (SSC, SDN, SPR, SV, and SX), as specified in Annex XI, for unavoidable by-catches not exceeding 380 kilogrammes per month and 5 % of the weight of the total catches of marine organisms on board caught by that vessel per fishing trip;

(c) using hooks and lines (LHP, LHM, LLD, LL, LTL, LX and LLS), as specified in Annex XI, only where the vessel has recorded catches of European seabass using hooks and lines over the period from 1 July 2015 to the end of September 2016, not exceeding 5.7 tonnes per vessel per year;

(d) using fixed gillnets, only where the vessel has recorded catches of European seabass using fixed gillnets over the period from 1 July

(1) EUR 2020/123, as amended by paragraph 14 of Schedule 11 to the Fisheries Act 2020 and [S.I. 2020/1542](#), [2021/698](#).

2015 to the end of September 2016, for by-catches not exceeding 1.4 tonnes per vessel per year.”;

- (ii) in the second subparagraph, omit the first sentence;
 - (iii) in the final subparagraph, omit “for an English or Welsh fishing vessel”;
 - (c) in paragraph 3, for the word “The”, in the first place it occurs, substitute “Except in the case of a replacement vessel as provided for in the second subparagraph of paragraph 2, the”;
 - (d) in paragraph 5—
 - (i) in point (a), for “until the end of February 2021 and for the whole of December 2021” substitute “during the period from 1 January to the end of February and during December in each calendar year”;
 - (ii) in point (b), for “from 1 March to the end of November 2021” substitute “during the period from 1 March to the end of November in each calendar year”;
 - (e) in paragraph 6, omit the definitions for “British fishery limits”, “English fishing vessel”, “the English zone”, “the Northern Ireland zone”, “the Scottish zone” and “Welsh fishing vessel”.
- (3) Omit Article 12a (closed fishing seasons for sandeels).