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FISHERIES

Herring (Restriction of Fishing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975

Made	*29th August* 1975
Coming into operation . .	*1st September* 1975

The Department(a) of Agriculture, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 124 of the Fisheries Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(b) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Herring (Restriction of Fishing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975 and shall come into operation on 1st September 1975.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations—

"Department" means the Department of Agriculture;

"fishery limits of the British Islands" has the same meaning as that expression is given in section (1) of the Fishery Limits Act 1964(c);

"herring" means fish of the species *Clupea harengus;*

"registered length" in relation to a vessel means the length in relation to which its tonnage is calculated for the purposes of registration under the Merchant Shipping Act 1894(d).

Restriction of fishing

3. Between 1st September 1975 and 30th November 1975, both dates inclusive, fishing for the purpose of catching herring from a fishing boat in the area of sea described in the schedule shall be prohibited unless a permit so to fish has been issued by the Department in respect of that fishing boat.

4. Between 1st September 1975 and 30th November 1975, both dates inclusive, no fishing boat of 35 feet or greater registered length shall be used for the purpose of catching herring in the area of the sea described in the Schedule during any period beginning at 1200 hours on each Thursday and ending at 0001 hours on each Monday.

5. Between 1st September 1975 and 30th November 1975, both dates inclusive, no fishing boat of under 35 feet registered length shall be used for the purpose of catching herring in the area of the sea described in the Schedule during any period beginning at 0700 hours on each Thursday and ending at 1900 hours on each Sunday.

(a) Formerly Ministry: *see* 1973 c. 36 section 40 and Sch. 5 para. 8(1).
(b) 1966 c. 17 (N.I.)
(c) 1964 c. 72
(d) 1894 c. 60

6. Between 1st September 1975 and 30th November 1975, both dates inclusive, no fishing boat over 80 feet in registered length shall be used for the purpose of catching herring in the area of the sea described in the Schedule.

Revocation

7. The Herring (Restriction of Fishing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1974(e) are hereby revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland on 29th August 1975.

(L.S.) *W. H. Jack*
Senior Assistant Secretary

SCHEDULE

The area of sea adjacent to Northern Ireland within the fishery limits of the British Islands which lies between a line running due east from the Roaring Rock (approximately 54° 10′ N) and a line running due south east from the Haulbowline Rocks (approximately 54° 00′ N).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This note is not part of the regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.*)

These regulations concern herring fishing during the period 1st September 1975 to 30th November 1975 within the 12 mile fishery limit off the County Down coast between a line running east from the Roaring Rock and a line running south east from the Haulbowline Rocks.

They require fishing boats to have permits issued by the Department of Agriculture; they prohibit the use of fishing boats between 35 feet and 80 feet in registered length for such fishing between 1200 hours each Thursday and 0001 hours each Monday; they prohibit the use of fishing boats of under 35 feet registered length for such fishing between 0700 hours each Thursday and 1900 hours each Sunday; and they prohibit the use of fishing boats of over 80 feet registered length for such fishing within such area at any time during such period.

(e) S.R. 1974 No. 166