1981 No. 318

FISHERIES

Herring (Restriction of Fishing) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981

Made . . . . . *1st October 1981*

Coming into operation . . *6.00 p.m. 1st October 1981*

The Department of Agriculture, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 124(1) and 124(2) of the Fisheries Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(**a**) 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) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981 and shall come into operation at 6.00 p.m. on 1st October 1981.

Amendment of regulations

2. The provisions of the Herring (Restriction of Fishing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981(**b**) set out in the Schedule are hereby revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland on 1st October 1981.

(L.S.) *N. E. Morrison*
Assistant Secretary

(**a**) 1966 c. 17 (N.I.): new section 124 substituted — *see* Art. 6 of S.I. 1981/227 (N.I. 7)
(**b**) S.R. 1981 No. 297

SCHEDULE

In regulation 3 the words "Except as provided in regulation 4"

Regulation 4

Regulation 5

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations amend the Herring (Restriction of Fishing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981 (S.R. 1981 No. 297) so that the use of drift nets of minimum stretched mesh of 54 millimetres from sea-fishing boats of under 40 feet registered length, based at County Down ports, for catching herring in an area off the Northern Ireland coast previously permitted until 23rd October 1981 is now prohibited from 6.00 p.m. on 1st October 1981.

The area concerned is within British fishery limits adjacent to Northern Ireland bounded to the north by the parallel of 55° North latitude, to the south by a line running south-east from the Haulbowline Rocks (approximately 54° North latitude) and extends to 12 miles from the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea is measured or out to the median line with Scotland where this line is less than 12 miles from the baselines.