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THE SEA-FISHING INDUSTRY (IMMATURE SEA-FISH) ORDER, (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1934, DATED 8TH MAY, 1934, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND.

1934. No. 39.

WHEREAS it is provided by section one of the Sea-Fishing Industry Act (Northern Ireland), 1933, (*a*) that no person shall in Northern Ireland sell, expose or offer for sale, or have in his possession for the purpose of sale, any sea-fish of a smaller size than such size as may be prescribed by an Order made by the Ministry of Commerce for Northern Ireland, and that such Order may prescribe different minimum sizes in relation to different descriptions of sea-fish.

And whereas, by The Sea-Fishing Industry (Immature Sea-Fish) Order (Northern Ireland), 1933, (*b*) made by the said Ministry on the 9th December, 1933, minimum sizes were prescribed for the following descriptions of sea-fish, that is to say :— Hake (thirteen inches) ; Haddock (nine-and-a-half inches) ; Plaice (nine inches) ; Dabs (nine inches) ; Soles (nine inches).

And whereas, it is proposed to prescribe minimum sizes for further descriptions of sea-fish.

Now, therefore, the Ministry of Commerce for Northern Ireland, in exercise of its powers under the said section, hereby orders as follows :—

1. No person shall in Northern Ireland sell, expose or offer for sale, or have in his possession for the purpose of sale, any sea-fish of the following descriptions of less than the following measurements, that is to say :—

Whiting, nine-and-a-half inches long ;
Lemon soles, nine inches long ;
Witches, nine inches long ;
Megrims, nine inches long ;

the measurement being taken in each case in a straight line from the tip of the snout to the furthest extremity of the tail when the fish is laid flat.

2. This Order may be cited as The Sea-Fishing Industry (Immature Sea-Fish) Order (Northern Ireland), 1934.

(*a*) 23 and 24 G. 5, c. 29. (*b*) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1933 (No. 122).

3. This Order shall come into force on the 21st day of May, 1934.

In Witness whereof the Ministry of Commerce for Northern Ireland has hereunto set its official Seal this eighth day of May, 1934.

(L.S.) *W. D. Scott,*
Secretary.

Trawling off Londonderry and Antrim Coasts.

BY-LAW, DATED 23RD FEBRUARY, 1934, PROHIBITING CERTAIN TRAWLING FROM STEAM VESSELS OFF THE COASTS OF THE COUNTIES OF LONDONDERRY AND ANTRIM.

1934. No. 41.

WHEREAS by By-law dated 3rd November, 1905, it is prohibited to use from any steamer or steamship, or vessel propelled by steam, the method of fishing known as beam trawling or other trawling in the following area, namely :—

An area off that part of the Coasts of the Counties of Antrim, Londonderry and Donegal, comprised within the space bounded to seaward by an imaginary line drawn from Bengore Head in the County of Antrim in a westerly direction to Dunagree Point in the County of Donegal, and bounded landward by the shores of the respective Counties, and an imaginary line drawn across the mouth of Lough Foyle from Magilligan Point to Greencastle Pier.

And whereas by By-law dated 17th January, 1908, it is prohibited to use from any steamer or steamship, or vessel propelled by steam, the method of fishing known as beam trawling or other trawling in the following area, namely :—

An area off the Coast of the County of Antrim, bounded by an imaginary straight line from Bengore Head in the County of Antrim, to the westerly point of Rathlin Island; and by said Rathlin Island; and by an imaginary straight line from the Light House on said Rathlin Island to Tor Point in the County of Antrim; and by that part of the mainland of the County of Antrim situated between Tor Point and Bengore Head.

And whereas by By-law dated 12th May, 1909, it is prohibited to use from any steamer or steamship, or vessel propelled by steam, the method of fishing known as beam trawling or other trawling in the following area, namely :—

The area within or landwards of straight lines from Portstewart Point in the County of Londonderry to the Light House on Inishtrahull and thence to Ireland's North Point.