STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1977 No. 1508

SEA FISHERIES

BOATS AND METHODS OF FISHING

The Herring (North East Irish Sea) (Prohibition of Fishing) Order 1977

Made - - - -	*9th September* 1977
Laid before Parliament	*9th September* 1977
Coming into Operation	*1st October* 1977

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretaries of State respectively concerned with the sea fishing industry in Scotland and Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 5(1) and (2) and 15 of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967(**a**) (as section 15 is amended by section 22(1) of, and paragraph 38 of Schedule 1 to, the Sea Fisheries Act 1968(**b**) and as section 5(2) and 15 are amended by section 9(1) of, and paragraph 16(1) of Schedule 2 to, the Fishery Limits Act 1976(**c**)) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following order:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Herring (North East Irish Sea) (Prohibition of Fishing) Order 1977 and shall come into operation on 1st October 1977.

(2) In this order "mile" means a nautical mile of 1,852 metres.

(3) The Interpretation Act 1889(**d**) shall apply to the interpretation of this order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Prohibition

2. During the period 1st October 1977 to 19th November 1977, both dates inclusive, fishing for herring (*Clupea harengus*) in the area specified in the Schedule to this order is hereby prohibited.

3. In accordance with section 5(3) of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967, it is hereby declared that this order is not made for the sole purpose of giving effect to such a convention or agreement as is mentioned in section 5(1) of that Act.

Enforcement

4. For the purpose of the enforcement of this order, there are hereby conferred on every British sea-fishery officer the powers of a British sea-fishery officer under section 8(2) to (4) of the Sea Fisheries Act 1968 as subsection (4) is amended by section 9(1) of, and paragraph 17(1) of Schedule 2 to, the Fishery Limits Act 1976.

(**a**) 1967 c. 84. (**b**) 1968 c. 77. (**c**) 1976 c. 86. (**d**) 1889 c. 63.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 9th September 1977.

(L.S.)

A. D. Neale,
Secretary.

Bruce Millan,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

8th September 1977.

Roy Mason,
Secretary of State for Northern Ireland.

7th September 1977.

Article 2

SCHEDULE

The area bounded by a line drawn from Trwyn Du, Anglesey, due south to the coast of Wales; thence in an anticlockwise direction along the coasts of Wales and England to St. Bee's Head Lighthouse, Cumbria; thence towards Point of Ayre Lighthouse, Isle of Man to a point twelve miles from the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea adjacent to the Isle of Man is measured; thence in a clockwise direction at a distance of twelve miles from the Isle of Man baselines to the point lying on a line drawn between Chicken Rock Lighthouse and the Skerries Lighthouse; thence along that line to the Skerries; thence south-east to the coast of Anglesey; and thence in a clockwise direction along the coast of Anglesey to Trwyn Du.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order prohibits fishing for herring in the specified parts of the Irish Sea during 1st October to 19th November 1977, both dates inclusive.

By virtue of section 5(8) of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967, the order applies to all fishing boats including foreign vessels.

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