STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1984 No. 1627

SEA FISHERIES

CONSERVATION OF SEA FISH

The Sole (Bristol Channel and South-east of Ireland) (Prohibition of Fishing) Order 1984

Made - - - -	19*th October* 1984
Laid before Parliament	26*th October* 1984
Coming into Operation	28*th October* 1984

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretaries of State respectively concerned with the sea fishing industry in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 5(1) and 15(3) of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967**(a)**, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following order:—

Title, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Sole (Bristol Channel and South-east of Ireland) (Prohibition of Fishing) Order 1984 and shall come into operation on 28th October 1984.

(2) In this order "ICES" followed by a roman numeral with a letter shall be construed as a reference to whichever of the statistical sub-areas and divisions of the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea**(b)** described in the Schedule to this order is identified therein by that roman numeral and letter.

Prohibition

2. Fishing for sole of the species *solea solea*—

(*a*) by any British fishing boat registered in the United Kingdom, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands within ICES VIIf (British Channel) or within that part of ICES VIIg (South-east of Ireland) which lies inside British fishery limits; or

(a) 1967 c. 84; section 5(1) was substituted by section 22(1) of the Fisheries Act 1981 (c. 29) and, by virtue of S.I. 1973/238, section 5 applies in relation to British fishing boats registered in the Isle of Man as it applies in relation to British fishing boats registered in the United Kingdom; section 15(3) was substituted by paragraph 38(3) of Schedule 1 to the Sea Fisheries Act 1968 (c. 77) and amended by paragraph 16(1) of Schedule 2 to the Fishery Limits Act 1976 (c. 86); the definition of "the Ministers" in section 22(2) was amended by sections 19(2) and 45 of the Fisheries Act 1981.

(b) Cmnd. 2586.

(*b*) by any British fishing boat registered in the United Kingdom or the Isle of Man within that part of ICES VIIg (South-east of Ireland) which lies outside British fishery limits

is prohibited.

Enforcement

3.—(1) For the purpose of the enforcement of this order, the powers that may be exercised by any British sea-fishery officer by virtue of section 15(3) of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967 in relation to any fishing boat referred to in that subsection if it is a fishing boat to which a prohibition imposed by article 2 of this order applies are the powers of a British sea-fishery officer under section 8(2) to (4) of the Sea Fisheries Act 1968**(a)**.

(2) For the purpose mentioned in paragraph (1) of this article—

(*a*) section 8(3) of the Sea Fisheries Act 1968 shall be construed as if article 2 of this order were one of the provisions mentioned in section 8(1) of that Act; and

(*b*) section 8(4) of that Act shall be construed as if article 2 of this order were one of the provisions mentioned in that subsection.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 16th October 1984.

L.S.

Michael Jopling,
Minister of Agriculture,
Fisheries and Food.

George Younger,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

19th October 1984.

John Stradling Thomas,
Minister of State for Wales.

16th October 1984.

Douglas Hurd,
Secretary of State for
Northern Ireland.

17th October 1984.

(a) 1968 c. 77; section 8(3) was amended by section 26(2) of the Fisheries Act 1981; section 8(4) was substituted by section 26(3) of the Fisheries Act 1981.

SCHEDULE Article 1(2)

STATISTICAL SUB-AREAS AND DIVISIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL FOR THE EXPLORATION OF THE SEA

ICES Statistical Division VIIf (Bristol Channel)

The waters bounded by a line at a point on the south coast of Wales in 5°00′ west longitude; thence due south to 51°00′ north latitude; thence due west to 6°00′ west longitude; thence due south to 50°30′ north latitude; thence due west to 7°00′ west longitude; thence due south to 50°00′ north latitude; thence due east to the coast of England; thence along the south-west coast of England and the south coast of Wales to the point of beginning.

ICES Statistical Division VIIg (South-east of Ireland)

The waters bounded by a line beginning at a point in 9°00′ west longitude on the south coast of Ireland; thence due south to 50°00′ north latitude; thence due east to 7°00′ west longitude; thence due north to 50°30′ north latitude; thence due east to 6°00′ west longitude; thence due north to 51°00′ north latitude; thence due east to 5°00′ west longitude; thence due north to the south coast of Wales; thence in a north-westerly direction along the coast of Wales to a point in 52°00′ north latitude; thence due west to the south-east coast of Ireland; thence in a south-westerly direction along the coast of Ireland to the point of beginning.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This order prohibits fishing for sole of the species *solea solea*—

(*a*) by any British fishing boat registered in the United Kingdom, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands within ICES VIIf (British Channel) or within that part of ICES VIIg (South-east of Ireland) which lies inside British fishery limits; or

(*b*) by any British fishing boat registered in the United Kingdom, or the Isle of Man within that part of ICES VIIg (South-east of Ireland) which lies outside British fishery limits.

For the purpose of enforcement British sea-fishery officers are given the powers provided by section 8(2) to (4) of the Sea Fisheries Act 1968.

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