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fixing for 2024, 2025 and 2026 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters, and amending Regulation (EU) 2023/194

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 43(3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 6 of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽¹⁾ requires the adoption of conservation measures taking account of available scientific, technical and economic advice, including, where relevant, reports drawn up by the Scientific, Technical and Economic Committee for Fisheries (STECF) and other advisory bodies, and any advice received from advisory councils.
- (2) The Council should adopt measures on the fixing and allocation of fishing opportunities, including certain conditions functionally linked to those fishing opportunities, as appropriate. Under Article 16(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013, fishing opportunities are to be fixed in accordance with the objectives of the common fisheries policy (CFP) as set out in Article 2(2) of that Regulation. Under Article 16(1) of that Regulation, fishing opportunities are to be allocated among the Member States so as to ensure the relative stability of fishing activities of each Member State for each fish stock or fishery.
- (3) The total allowable catches (TACs) should therefore be established, in accordance with Article 3 of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013, on the basis of available scientific advice, taking into account biological and socio-economic aspects, while ensuring fair treatment between fishing sectors, and in the light of opinions expressed during the consultation of stakeholders.
- (4) Under Article 15 of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013, all stocks for which there are catch limits have been subject to the landing obligation since 1 January 2019, although certain exemptions apply. On the basis of joint recommendations by the Member States and in accordance with Article 15 of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013, the Commission adopts delegated acts laying down details for the implementation of the landing obligation for certain fisheries.
- (5) Fishing opportunities for stocks covered by the landing obligation should take account of the fact that discarding is in principle no longer allowed. Therefore, they should be based on the advice figure for total catches as provided by the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES). The quantities that, by way of exemption from the landing obligation, may continue to be discarded should be deducted from that advice figure for total catches. Moreover, fishing opportunities for stocks for which ICES provides only landings advice, should be set on the basis of that advice.

⁽¹⁾ Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on the Common Fisheries Policy, amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1954/2003 and (EC) No 1224/2009 and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 2371/2002 and (EC) No 639/2004 and Council Decision 2004/585/EC (OJ L 354, 28.12.2013, p. 22).

- (6) Regulation (EU) 2018/973 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽²⁾ established a multiannual plan (MAP) for the North Sea ('the North Sea MAP') and Regulation (EU) 2019/472 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽³⁾ established a MAP for the Western Waters ('the Western Waters MAP'). The MAPs set out targets and measures for the long-term management of stocks covered by those MAPs. Fishing opportunities for stocks listed in Article 1(1) of those Regulations (target stocks) should be fixed in accordance with the range of fishing mortality values resulting in maximum sustainable yield (MSY) (ranges of F_{MSY}), or at a lower level, and in accordance with the safeguards provided for in those Regulations. The ranges of F_{MSY} are set out in the relevant ICES advice. Where no adequate scientific information is available, fishing opportunities for target stocks or stocks referred to in Article 1(4) of those Regulations (by-catch stocks) should be fixed in accordance with the precautionary approach, as set out in those Regulations. Pursuant to Article 5(3) of those Regulations, when fixing fishing opportunities for by-catch stocks, mixed fisheries considerations should also be taken into account.
- (7) In accordance with Article 7 of the North Sea MAP and Article 8 of the Western Waters MAP, where scientific advice indicates that the spawning stock biomass of any of the stocks referred to in Article 1(1) of those Regulations is below the limit biomass reference point (B_{lim}) ⁽⁴⁾, further remedial measures are to be taken to ensure the rapid return of the stock to levels above those capable of producing MSY. In particular, those remedial measures can include suspending the targeted fishery for the stock in question and the adequate reduction of fishing opportunities for those or other stocks in the fisheries.
- (8) There are certain stocks for which ICES advises zero catches. However, if TACs for those stocks are established at the advised levels, the obligation to land all catches, including by-catches from those stocks in mixed fisheries, would give rise to the phenomenon of choke species. Choke species are species with a lack of quota that can cause one or more fishing vessels to stop fishing even if they still have quota for other species. In order to strike a balance between maintaining fisheries, in view of the potentially severe socio-economic implications of failing to do so, and the need to achieve a good biological status for those stocks, taking account of the difficulty of fishing all stocks in a mixed fishery at MSY, it is appropriate to establish specific TACs for by-catches for those stocks. Those by-catch TACs should be set at levels that ensure that the mortality for those stocks is decreased and that provide incentives to improve selectivity and avoid by-catches of those stocks. In order to reduce catches of the stocks for which by-catch TACs are set, fishing opportunities for the fisheries in which fish from those stocks are caught should be set at levels that help the biomass of vulnerable stocks to recover to sustainable levels.
- (9) In its scientific advice for cod (*Gadus morhua*) in ICES subdivision 21 (Kattegat), ICES advises zero catches of that stock in 2024. Moreover, according to ICES, cod in that area is mainly taken as by-catch in the Norway lobster (*Nephrops norvegicus*) fishery. Therefore, if the TAC for cod in the Kattegat for 2024 was established at zero, this would notably result in vessels fishing for Norway lobster in that area to cease fishing in 2024, thus potentially leading to a premature closure of this fishery. Based on European Market Observatory for Fisheries and Aquaculture Products (EUMOFA) data ⁽⁵⁾, the indicative value ⁽⁶⁾ of possible catches of Norway lobster fishery in division 3a (Skagerrak-Kattegat) within the limits of the TAC for 2024 is estimated at EUR 98 561 451. It is therefore appropriate to establish a TAC for by-catches of the choke species cod in the Kattegat.

⁽²⁾ Regulation (EU) 2018/973 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2018 establishing a multiannual plan for demersal stocks in the North Sea and the fisheries exploiting those stocks, specifying details of the implementation of the landing obligation in the North Sea and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 676/2007 and (EC) No 1342/2008 (OJ L 179, 16.7.2018, p. 1).

⁽³⁾ Regulation (EU) 2019/472 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 March 2019 establishing a multiannual plan for stocks fished in the Western Waters and adjacent waters, and for fisheries exploiting those stocks, amending Regulations (EU) 2016/1139 and (EU) 2018/973, and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 811/2004, (EC) No 2166/2005, (EC) No 388/2006, (EC) No 509/2007 and (EC) No 1300/2008 (OJ L 83, 25.3.2019, p. 1).

⁽⁴⁾ B_{lim} is the biomass below which there may be reduced reproductive capacity.

⁽⁵⁾ EUMOFA data on first sale price and landings amount, averaged for the years 2019-2021 for specific Member States, and converted into a first sale price.

First sale price is the price of landed fish that is sold or registered at an auction centre to registered buyers or to producer organisations. Therefore, the estimated value based on such first sale price indicates only value at the first step of the value chain.

⁽⁶⁾ Indicative value, as opposed to market value, refers to the estimated value calculated by multiplying the TACs by the first sale prices, without taking into account other factors such as price effect flexibilities or quota uptake.

- (10) In order to guarantee, to the extent possible, the use of fishing opportunities in mixed fisheries in accordance with Article 16(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013, it is appropriate to establish a pool for quota exchanges for Member States that have no quota to cover their unavoidable by-catches.
- (11) In accordance with Articles 2(2) and 16(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013, for stocks that are not covered by the North Sea MAP or the Western Waters MAP, where adequate scientific information is available, fishing opportunities should be fixed in line with the MSY fishing mortality and, where such information is not available, fishing opportunities should be fixed in line with the precautionary approach to fisheries management, as defined in Article 4(1), point (8), of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013.
- (12) For certain stocks, ICES advice remains valid for several years and that advice remains the best available scientific advice for the entire advice period. In those cases, annual TACs covering the entire advice period should be set (multiannual TAC). However, if new ICES advice becomes available during that period, it should be ensured that the multiannual TAC remain consistent with the new advice. Moreover, it should be ensured that the annual deductions from the advice figure for total catches to take account of exemptions from the landing obligation remain consistent with the available data.
- (13) European seabass (*Dicentrarchus labrax*) in ICES divisions 8a and 8b (Bay of Biscay) is a target stock under the Western Waters MAP. According to the ICES advice for 2024, the biomass of that stock decreased to below MSY B_{trigger} in 2023 and is expected to decrease further in 2024 while remaining above B_{lim} . Therefore, appropriate remedial measures should be adopted to ensure the rapid return of that stock to levels above those capable of producing MSY. France and Spain should therefore ensure that commercial landings and recreational removals for that stock, which are to be set by them for 2024, are below the F_{MSY} point value (⁽⁷⁾), as reduced proportionally to take into account the decrease in the biomass, and adopt additional measures in accordance with Article 19 of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013.
- (14) Measures governing recreational fisheries for European seabass in ICES divisions 8a and 8b should be strengthened, in view of their significant impact on the biomass of that stock and taking into account the decreased biomass. The bag limit should therefore be reduced to one fish caught and retained per fisher per day. Fixed nets should also be excluded, as they are insufficiently selective and likely to catch a number of specimens exceeding the established limit.
- (15) Article 5(3) of the Western Waters MAP provides for the management of mixed fisheries with regards to by-catch stocks taking into account the difficulty of fishing all stocks at MSY at the same time, especially in situations where that leads to a premature closure of the fishery. Mixed fisheries considerations in the Bay of Biscay published on 14 November 2023 indicates that, if horse mackerel is excluded, pollack (*Pollachius pollachius*) is the most limiting stock for demersal fisheries in the Bay of Biscay for three fishing segments out of 21. Given the socio-economic data submitted by one of the Member States concerned, suggesting that for pollack in the Bay of Biscay and Iberian waters (ICES subarea 8 and division 9a), mixed fishery considerations point to the difficulty of fishing all TACs fully, more time is needed in order to assess the socio-economic impact of the setting of fishing opportunities for pollack for fishers active in that mixed fishery (sole (*Solea solea*) and Norway lobster). For that reason, a provisional TAC for pollack in the Bay of Biscay (divisions 8abde) should be set for the first half of year 2024. On the basis of the ICES advice of 30 June 2023 regarding pollack in the Bay of Biscay and Iberian waters, and taking into account the seasonality of the fishery, the level of that provisional quota should be fixed at 500 tonnes from 1 January 2024 to 30 June 2024. Such a provisional TAC aims to ensure fishing activities can continue while the data is being assessed, until the Council sets a definitive Union TAC.

(⁷) F_{MSY} point value is the value of the estimated fishing mortality that with a given fishing pattern and under current average environmental conditions gives the long-term MSY.

- (16) According to scientific advice, recreational catches of pollack in ICES subareas 8, 9, 10 and Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (Bay of Biscay and Iberian waters) are non-negligible and it is therefore appropriate to introduce limits to its recreational fishery in those areas. In order to protect the spawning grounds and limit juvenile catches, no specimen of pollack may be caught and retained from 1 January to 30 April in recreational fisheries, while the maximum of two specimens could be allowed for the remaining part of the year.
- (17) In May 2022, ICES noted that despite Member States' efforts for the recovery of European eel (*Anguilla anguilla*), no overall progress had been made in achieving the 40 % silver eel biomass escapement objective across the entire Union, as required by Article 2(4) of Council Regulation (EC) No 1100/2007⁽⁸⁾, and that no clear patterns for mortality were observed. In November 2023, ICES advised once again that, when the precautionary approach is applied, there should be zero catches of European eel (*Anguilla anguilla*) in all habitats and at all life stages, throughout its natural range, which includes the north-east Atlantic and the Mediterranean. This concerns both recreational and commercial catches and includes catches of glass eels for restocking and aquaculture.
- (18) Council Regulation (EU) 2023/194⁽⁹⁾ extended to six months the closure period for any commercial eel fishing activity in Union marine and brackish waters of the north-east Atlantic and of the Mediterranean Sea, and for Union fishing vessels in all marine waters of the Mediterranean. It also prohibited all recreational eel fisheries in those waters. It was considered that a six-month closure period would better protect the stock than the Union and national measures implemented until 2022. It was also considered that the extended closure period would allow continuing restocking measures, would contribute to the recovery of the eel stock and would further the achievement of the escapement objective of at least 40 % of silver eels set out in Article 2(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1100/2007. Given the continued critical state of the European eel, it is appropriate to maintain those measures in 2024.
- (19) The eel migration period is influenced by a broad range of environmental and biological factors and can therefore vary depending on the life stage of eel, the habitat and the geographical area, notably straits. It may therefore be appropriate to set different closure periods, notably for different fishing areas of a Member State and for different types of fisheries within those fishing areas, in order to take account of those elements as well as of the temporal and geographical migration patterns of eel at the glass eel and silver eel life stages, respectively. The Member States concerned should determine the relevant closure period or periods based on those elements.
- (20) In Union marine and brackish waters of the north-east Atlantic, the closure period or periods should cover the main migration period or periods of glass eel and silver eel, respectively, with an exception for fishing operations conducted, with or without a fishing vessel, for the exclusive purpose of scientific investigations and carried out in full compliance with the conditions set out in Article 25 of Regulation (EU) 2019/1241 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁽¹⁰⁾. Considering the potentially severe socio-economic implications of a full closure of fisheries targeting glass eel and silver eel during their main migration period or periods, Member States may allow eel fishing for 30 days during those periods. To ensure the effective protection of silver eel migrating from the Baltic Sea into the North Sea, the coastal Member States of ICES subarea 3, that is Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Finland and Sweden, should agree on effective closure periods for silver eel. In case the Member States concerned cannot agree by 1 March 2024, the closure period for silver eel in the Baltic Sea and Skagerrak-Kattegat should be 15 September 2024 to 15 March 2025.

⁽⁸⁾ Council Regulation (EC) No 1100/2007 of 18 September 2007 establishing measures for the recovery of the stock of European eel (OJ L 248, 22.9.2007, p. 17).

⁽⁹⁾ Council Regulation (EU) 2023/194 of 30 January 2023 fixing for 2023 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters, as well as fixing for 2023 and 2024 such fishing opportunities for certain deep-sea fish stocks (OJ L 28, 31.1.2023, p. 1).

⁽¹⁰⁾ Regulation (EU) 2019/1241 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 June 2019 on the conservation of fisheries resources and the protection of marine ecosystems through technical measures, amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1967/2006, (EC) No 1224/2009 and Regulations (EU) No 1380/2013, (EU) 2016/1139, (EU) 2018/973, (EU) 2019/472 and (EU) 2019/1022 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 894/97, (EC) No 850/98, (EC) No 2549/2000, (EC) No 254/2002, (EC) No 812/2004 and (EC) No 2187/2005 (OJ L 198, 25.7.2019, p. 105).

- (21) Pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1100/2007, restocking of glass eel is a conservation measure chosen by certain Member States in their eel management plans. In order to enable those Member States to continue implementing that measure, glass eel catches in Union marine and brackish waters of the north-east Atlantic at the appropriate time of the year and possibly during their main migration period or periods may be required. Therefore, Member States may allow continued glass eel fishing exclusively for restocking for an additional 50 days during the main migration period or periods of glass eel.
- (22) In its advice for certain stocks of elasmobranchs (skates, sharks, rays), ICES recommends zero catches, due to their poor conservation status. In addition, such elasmobranchs have high survival rates when discarded. Consequently, catches of those stocks should be discarded rather than landed, as discarding is not considered to raise significantly their fishing mortality and would even support the conservation of those stocks. Therefore, fishing of such species should be prohibited, as under Article 15(4), point (a), of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013, the landing obligation does not apply to species for which fishing is prohibited. When accidentally caught, those species should not be harmed and should be promptly released.
- (23) For certain species, such as certain species of sharks, even limited fishing activity could give rise to a serious conservation risk. Fishing opportunities for such species should therefore be fully restricted through a general prohibition of fishing those species.
- (24) At the 12th Conference of the Parties of the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (Manila, 23–28 October 2017), a number of species were added to the lists of protected species in Appendices I and II to that Convention. Therefore, it is appropriate to provide for the protection of those species with respect to Union fishing vessels operating in all waters and third country fishing vessels operating in Union waters.
- (25) In order to maximise the use of fishing opportunities, it is appropriate to allow for the implementation of a flexible arrangement between certain TAC areas where the same biological stock is concerned.
- (26) Articles 3 and 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 847/96 ⁽¹¹⁾ provide for year-to-year flexibility for quotas for stocks subject to both precautionary and analytical TACs. Under Article 2 of that Regulation, when fixing TACs, the Council is to decide to which stocks Articles 3 and 4 of that Regulation are not to apply, in particular on the basis of their biological status. Moreover, Article 15(9) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 provides for further year-to-year flexibility for all stocks that are subject to the landing obligation. In order to avoid excessive flexibility that would undermine the achievement of the objectives of the CFP, year-to-year flexibility for quotas pursuant to Articles 3 and 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 and Article 15(9) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 should not apply cumulatively. Finally, year-to-year flexibility under Article 15(9) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 should, where relevant, be excluded on the basis of the biological status of stocks.
- (27) Where a TAC is allocated to one Member State only, it may be appropriate to empower that Member State to fix that TAC, in accordance with Article 2(1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU). Such empowerment is appropriate, provided that, when determining the TAC level, the Member State complies with the principles and rules of the CFP. In order to ensure the correct application by those Member States of the principles and rules of the CFP, the Commission evaluates information submitted by the Member State to it regarding the determination of that TAC level and the data used as a basis for that determination.
- (28) It is necessary to establish the fishing effort limitations for sole in the Western Channel (ICES division 7e) in accordance with Article 12 of the Western Waters MAP.

⁽¹¹⁾ Council Regulation (EC) No 847/96 of 6 May 1996 introducing additional conditions for year-to-year management of TACs and quotas (OJ L 115, 9.5.1996, p. 3).

- (29) It is necessary to establish the fishing effort ceilings for 2024 in accordance with Articles 6, 11, 13 and 16 of Regulation (EU) 2023/2053 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽¹²⁾.
- (30) The use of fishing opportunities available to Union fishing vessels set out in this Regulation is subject to Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 ⁽¹³⁾, and in particular to Articles 33 and 34 of that Regulation, concerning the recording of catches and fishing effort, and the notification of data on the exhaustion of fishing opportunities. It is therefore necessary to specify the codes to be used by Member States when sending the Commission data on landings of stocks subject to this Regulation.
- (31) At its 2023 annual meeting, the North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission (NEAFC) confirmed for 2024 the conservation measures for the two redfish (*Sebastes mentella*) stocks (shallow pelagic and deep pelagic) in the Irminger Sea and adjacent waters, prohibiting directed fisheries of those stocks and prohibiting refuelling and any support activities. In addition, in order to minimise by-catches, the NEAFC prohibited fishing activities in the area where redfish aggregates. Those measures should be implemented in Union law.
- (32) The NEAFC did not adopt a recommendation for Greenland halibut (*Reinhardtius hippoglossoides*) in ICES subareas 1 and 2 for 2024. The Union quota for Greenland halibut in international waters of ICES subareas 1 and 2 for 2024 should be set at the level of 1 711 tonnes. The level of the Union quota corresponds to 9,25 % of the level of the last best available scientific advice from ICES for Greenland halibut in ICES subareas 1 and 2, namely the advice for that stock published by ICES in 2021 which advised a maximum level of catches of 18 494 tonnes for both 2022 and 2023.
- (33) The NEAFC adopted a catch limit for redfish (*Sebastes mentella*) in international waters of ICES subareas 1 and 2 for 2024. However, pending conclusion of the Union's examination of whether to object to that NEAFC recommendation, in particular in relation to the Union's historic fishing rights, it is appropriate that currently the Union quota for redfish (*Sebastes* spp.) in international waters of ICES subareas 1 and 2 is marked as 'to be established'. It is also appropriate that the Union establish in the first half of 2024, through an in-year amendment, that Union quota, also taking into account that the fishery is limited to the period from 1 July to 31 December 2024.
- (34) Mackerel (*Scomber scombrus*), blue whiting (*Micromesistius poutassou*) and Atlanto-Scandian herring (*Clupea harengus*) in the north-east Atlantic are subject to coastal States consultations on the fisheries management for those stocks, and are stocks that are also managed by the NEAFC. The Union participated in those consultations on the basis of the positions endorsed by the Council on 5 October 2023. The outcome of those consultations was documented in Agreed Records for Atlanto-Scandian herring in the north-east Atlantic for 2024 signed on 13 October 2023, for blue whiting in the north-east Atlantic for 2024 signed on 18 October 2023, and for mackerel in the north-east Atlantic for 2024 also signed on 18 October 2023. At its 42nd annual meeting in 2023, the NEAFC adopted recommendations on conservation and management measures for Atlanto-Scandian herring and mackerel for 2024. The NEAFC did not adopt a recommendation on conservation and management measures for blue whiting for 2024. It is therefore appropriate to set the TACs for Atlanto-Scandian herring and mackerel in the north-east Atlantic at the level of fishing opportunities agreed in the respective coastal States Agreed Records and NEAFC recommendations. It is also appropriate to set the TAC for blue whiting in the north-east Atlantic at the level of the fishing opportunities set out in the coastal States Agreed Record for blue whiting and in line with the Union position expressed in the NEAFC.

⁽¹²⁾ Regulation (EU) 2023/2053 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 September 2023 establishing a multiannual management plan for bluefin tuna in the eastern Atlantic and the Mediterranean, amending Regulations (EC) No 1936/2001, (EU) 2017/2107, and (EU) 2019/833 and repealing Regulation (EU) 2016/1627 (OJ L 238, 27.9.2023, p. 1).

⁽¹³⁾ Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 of 20 November 2009 establishing a Union control system for ensuring compliance with the rules of the common fisheries policy, amending Regulations (EC) No 847/96, (EC) No 2371/2002, (EC) No 811/2004, (EC) No 768/2005, (EC) No 2115/2005, (EC) No 2166/2005, (EC) No 388/2006, (EC) No 509/2007, (EC) No 676/2007, (EC) No 1098/2007, (EC) No 1300/2008, (EC) No 1342/2008 and repealing Regulations (EEC) No 2847/93, (EC) No 1627/94 and (EC) No 1966/2006 (OJ L 343, 22.12.2009, p. 1).

- (35) Since 2021, the Union does not have access to fishing of its mackerel quota in Norwegian waters of the North Sea (MAC/2A4A-N). In order for the Union to use that quota, it is appropriate to allocate new fishing opportunities to a TAC (MAC/2A34-N) covering the geographical scope of the North Sea (MAC/2A34) and Norwegian Waters (MAC/2A4A-N) with a new relative stability key. Part of the fishing opportunities allocated to the MAC/2A34-N should be transferred by Denmark to the holders of quotas in the Western Waters TAC (MAC/2ACX14-) based on the existing relative stability key for that TAC.
- (36) At its 2023 annual meeting, the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) agreed to maintain for 2024 the TACs set for 2023 for Eastern Atlantic bluefin tuna (*Thunnus thynnus*), Mediterranean albacore and South albacore (*Thunnus alalunga*), Mediterranean, and North and South Atlantic swordfish (*Xiphias gladius*), blue marlin (*Makaira nigricans*), white marlin (*Tetrapturus albidus*), yellowfin tuna (*Thunnus albacares*), bigeye tuna (*Thunnus obesus*), as well as the retention allowance for South Atlantic shortfin mako (*Isurus oxyrinchus*). The ICCAT also set for 2024 TACs for North Atlantic albacore of 47 251 tonnes, for North and South Atlantic blue shark (*Prionace glauca*) of 30 000 and 27 711 tonnes, respectively. Those measures should be implemented in Union law.
- (37) In order to reduce the fishing mortality of juvenile bigeye and yellowfin tuna, the ICCAT also agreed to maintain a maximum limit of 300 fish aggregating devices (FADs) per fishing vessel in 2024 and a seventy-two-day closure period for the use of FADs.
- (38) Under several ICCAT recommendations, the Union may, upon request, carry over a percentage of its unused quota of ICCAT stocks from the penultimate or the preceding year to a given year, according to the rules for each stock as laid down by the ICCAT. In order for Member States to make use of such carry-overs, the corresponding quantities provided for in those recommendations should be implemented in Union law on the basis of a Commission proposal as soon as possible, so that the Member States can use the Union quotas for ICCAT stocks in their totality as provided by the ICCAT for 2024. Pending the implementation of those recommendations in Union law, quotas for individual Member States for certain stocks should be established on the basis of a total Union quota for 2024 as agreed by the ICCAT before any adjustments due to overfishing or underfishing by Member States.
- (39) At its 2023 annual meeting, the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR) adopted catch limits for target and by-catch species for the period from 1 December 2023 to 30 November 2024. Those measures should be implemented in Union law.
- (40) At its 2023 annual meeting, the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) maintained the limitation of fishing capacity, of FADs and of supply vessels and the catch limit for yellowfin tuna in the IOTC Area of Competence. The IOTC also adopted Resolution 23/04 establishing for the first time a catch limit for bigeye tuna (*Thunnus obesus*) for 2024 and 2025 in the IOTC Area of Competence. Those measures should be implemented in Union law.
- (41) The annual meeting of the South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation (SPRFMO) will be held from 29 January to 2 February 2024. The current measures in the SPRFMO Convention area that are functionally linked to the TACs should therefore be provisionally maintained until the annual meeting is held and the TACs for 2024 are determined.
- (42) At its 2023 annual meeting, the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) decided to maintain the current measures applicable in the IATTC Convention area. Those measures should be implemented in Union law.
- (43) At its 2023 annual meeting, the Commission for the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna (CCSBT) adopted the TAC for Southern bluefin tuna (*Thunnus maccoyii*) for a three-year period from 2024 to 2026. That measure should be implemented in Union law.
- (44) At its 2023 annual meeting, the South East Atlantic Fisheries Organisation (SEAFO) decided to maintain for 2024 the TACs in the SEAFO Convention area set for 2023.

- (45) The 2023 annual meeting of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC) was held from 4 to 8 December 2023. Pending availability of the outcome of that meeting, current measures in the WCPFC Convention area that are functionally linked to the TACs and the maximum numbers of fishing vessels should be provisionally maintained until those measures for 2024 become available.
- (46) At its 45th annual meeting in 2023, the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation (NAFO) adopted fishing opportunities for certain stocks in the NAFO Convention area for 2024. It also adopted certain measures for 2024 that are functionally linked to the fishing opportunities of shortfin squid (*Illex illecebrosus*) in NAFO subareas 3 and 4 and yellowtail flounder (*Limanda ferruginea*) in NAFO divisions 3LNO, aiming at minimising the levels of by-catches of non-target species and without which the fishing opportunities for those stocks would have to be reduced to protect the non-target species. Those measures should be implemented in Union law.
- (47) At its 10th annual meeting in 2023, the Southern Indian Ocean Fisheries Agreement (SIOFA) maintained the previously adopted fishing opportunities for the stocks covered by that Agreement. It also adopted a by-catch limit for Portuguese dogfish (*Centroscymnus coelolepis*) and amended the boundaries of the Del Cano and Williams Ridge toothfishes (*Dissostichus* spp.) management areas, while extending observer and tagging requirements for toothfishes in the rest of the Agreement Area. Those measures should be implemented in Union law.
- (48) Under Article 498(2) of the Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, of the one part, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, of the other part ⁽¹⁴⁾ (the Trade and Cooperation Agreement), the Union and the United Kingdom are to hold annual consultations to agree, by 10 December of each year, the TACs for the following year for the stocks listed in Annex 35 to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement. If such TACs are not agreed on by 10 December, the Parties are to immediately resume consultations with the continued aim of agreeing on the TACs, as required by Article 499(1) of the Trade and Cooperation Agreement.
- (49) In 2023, the Union and the United Kingdom held bilateral consultations on the setting of a large number of TACs for 2024 for stocks listed in Annex 35 to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement. Those consultations were conducted pursuant to Article 498(2), (4) and (6) of the Trade and Cooperation Agreement. The Union participated in those consultations on the basis of specifications to the Union position endorsed by the Council on 12 October 2023 and subsequent supplementary non-papers, pursuant to Article 2 of Council Decision (EU) 2021/1875 ⁽¹⁵⁾. The outcome of those consultations was documented in a Written Record signed on 6 December 2023 and supplemented by an addendum on 8 December 2023. The relevant fishing opportunities should therefore be fixed at the level set out in that Written Record. The other measures functionally linked to the fishing opportunities also set out in that Written Record should be implemented in Union law.
- (50) TACs for deep-sea stocks listed in Annex 35 to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement for 2024 were included in Regulation (EU) 2023/194 but marked as 'to be established'. Regulation (EU) 2023/194 should therefore be amended and the fishing opportunities for those stocks be fixed at the level set out in the Written Record of fisheries consultations between the Union and the United Kingdom for 2024.
- (51) The Union and the United Kingdom agreed that a maximum size of 100 cm should be respected when targeting spurdog (*Squalus acanthias*), to deter directed fisheries targeting aggregations of mature females in order to protect a component of this stock that is particularly vulnerable to fishing mortality. Such a measure is functionally linked to the TAC for the stock, as without such measure the TAC level alone would not ensure sufficient protection of pupping females, which constitute a particularly vulnerable part of the population. That measure concerning the maximum size should apply only until a delegated act introducing corresponding measures becomes applicable.

⁽¹⁴⁾ OJ L 149, 30.4.2021, p. 10.

⁽¹⁵⁾ Council Decision (EU) 2021/1875 of 22 October 2021 concerning the position to be adopted on behalf of the Union in the annual consultations with the United Kingdom to agree on total allowable catches (OJ L 378, 26.10.2021, p. 6).

- (52) The Union and the United Kingdom agreed on a reciprocal access in 2024 to target an initial total of 280 tonnes of northern albacore in the exclusive economic zones of the Member States and the United Kingdom. This excludes access to areas covered under Article 5(3) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013.
- (53) The measures to reduce bycatches of gadoids recently adopted in a delegated act are functionally linked to the TACs of species caught in mixed fisheries together with gadoids, such as haddock, megrims, anglerfish and Norway lobster, as, without those measures in place, TAC levels of target species should be reduced to ensure that gadoid stocks are able to recover.
- (54) The measures to improve the conservation status of red seabream, to reduce the level of unwanted catches and to protect better spawning grounds and juveniles in ICES subareas 6 to 8 recently adopted in a delegated act are functionally linked to the red seabream TAC, as without them the TAC level should be further reduced to ensure the recovery of the stock.
- (55) The functionally-linked technical measures for gadoids and for red seabream should apply only until the relevant delegated acts introducing corresponding measures become applicable.
- (56) Seasonal closures for sandeel fisheries with certain towed gear in ICES divisions 2a, 3a and ICES subarea 4 should continue to allow for the protection of spawning grounds and limitation of juvenile catches.
- (57) In 2023, the Union, the United Kingdom and Norway held trilateral consultations on six shared and jointly managed stocks occurring within the areas under the jurisdiction of the three parties, with the aim to agree on the management of those stocks including the fishing opportunities for 2024. Those consultations were conducted between 3 November and 8 December 2023, on the basis of the Union position endorsed by the Council on 12 October 2023 and subsequent supplementary non-papers. The outcome of the consultations was documented in an Agreed Record, signed by the Head of Delegations on 8 December 2023. The relevant fishing opportunities should be set at the level agreed with the United Kingdom and Norway, together with the other provisions of that Agreed Record.
- (58) The Union held bilateral consultations with Norway on one shared and jointly managed stock in the Skagerrak area (whiting), with the aim to agree on the management of this stock and fishing opportunities for 2024, as well as exchange of quotas and access arrangements. Those consultations were conducted between 30 October and 8 December 2023, on the basis of the Union position endorsed by the Council on 12 October 2023. The outcome of the consultations was documented in Agreed Records. The relevant fishing opportunities should be set at the level agreed with Norway, together with the other provisions of that Agreed Records.
- (59) The Union in 2023 jointly agreed with the United Kingdom and Norway to maintain remedial measures with regard to Northern Shelf cod (*Gadus morhua*) in order to support the long-term sustainable management of that stock, in accordance with Article 13 of the North Sea MAP.
- (60) In accordance with the procedure provided for in the Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Union, of the one part, and the Government of Greenland and the Government of Denmark, of the other part, and the Protocol implementing that Agreement⁽¹⁶⁾, the Joint Committee established the level of fishing opportunities available for the Union in Greenland waters in 2024. The level of fishing opportunities available for the Union in Greenland waters in 2024 was documented in the minutes of the Joint Committee meeting held from 21 to 23 November 2023 in Brussels. The relevant fishing opportunities should therefore be fixed at the level set out in those minutes, and taking into account the transfers to Norway under the annual exchange of fishing opportunities. The level of the fishing opportunities established for shrimp (*Pandalus borealis*) in Greenland waters of ICES subareas 5 and 14 does not include a reserve of 150 tonnes to be considered as set out in the Agreed Record of the fisheries consultations between the Union and Norway for 2024.

⁽¹⁶⁾ OJ L 175, 18.5.2021, p. 3.

- (61) The Treaty of 9 February 1920 relating to Spitsbergen (Svalbard) (1920 Treaty of Paris) grants equal and non-discriminatory access to resources around Svalbard for all parties to that Treaty, including with respect to fishing. The Union's position concerning that access has been set out in several *notes verbales* to Norway, the latest of which dated 26 February 2021, 28 June 2021 and 1 August 2022. As regards the fishing opportunities for snow crab (*Chionoecetes* spp.) around the area of Svalbard, it is appropriate to fix the number of fishing vessels that are authorised to conduct such fishery in order to ensure that the exploitation of snow crab around Svalbard is made consistent with such non-discriminatory management rules as may be set out by Norway, which enjoys sovereignty and jurisdiction in the area in accordance with the relevant provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea and the 1920 Treaty of Paris. The allocation of such fishing opportunities among Member States is limited to 2024. It is recalled that, in the Union, the primary responsibility for ensuring compliance with applicable law lies with the flag Member States.
- (62) As regards the fishing opportunities for cod in the north-east Arctic, it is appropriate to set the Union quota for cod in Svalbard waters and international waters of ICES subarea 1 and division 2b based on the reference TAC for that stock and the Union's historic fishing rights. That Union quota should be allocated to the Member States in accordance with Council Decision 87/277/EEC ⁽¹⁷⁾, subject to the adaptations necessary due to the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the Union as set out in Annex 36, table E, to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement.
- (63) In accordance with the Union's Declaration addressed to the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela on the granting of fishing opportunities in Union waters to fishing vessels flying the flag of Venezuela in the exclusive economic zone off the coast of French Guiana, approved on behalf of the Union by means of Council Decision (EU) 2015/1565 ⁽¹⁸⁾, it is necessary to fix the maximum number of fishing authorisations for snapper available to Venezuela in Union waters.
- (64) In order to ensure uniform conditions for the implementation of this Regulation, implementing powers should be conferred on the Commission to authorise individual Member States to manage fishing effort allocations in accordance with a kilowatt per day system, to grant additional days at sea for the permanent cessation of fishing activities and for enhanced scientific observer coverage and to establish spreadsheet formats for the collection and transmission of information on transfers of days at sea between fishing vessels flying the flag of a Member State. The Commission should exercise those powers in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽¹⁹⁾.
- (65) Given that certain provisions should be applied on a continuous basis, and in order to avoid legal uncertainty in the period between the end of the previous year and the date of entry into force of the Regulation fixing the fishing opportunities for the subsequent year, the provisions of this Regulation concerning prohibitions and closed seasons should continue to apply at the beginning of 2025 until the entry into force of the Regulation fixing the fishing opportunities for 2025. For the same reasons, provisions applying from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2025 or 31 December 2026 should continue to apply at the beginning of 2026 or 2027 until the entry into force of the Regulation fixing the fishing opportunities for 2026 or 2027, respectively.

⁽¹⁷⁾ Council Decision 87/277/EEC of 18 May 1987 on the allocation of the catch possibilities for cod in the Spitsbergen and Bear Island area and in Division 3M as defined in the NAFO Convention (OJ L 135, 23.5.1987, p. 29).

⁽¹⁸⁾ Council Decision (EU) 2015/1565 of 14 September 2015 on the approval, on behalf of the European Union, of the Declaration on the granting of fishing opportunities in EU waters to fishing vessels flying the flag of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela in the exclusive economic zone off the coast of French Guiana (OJ L 244, 19.9.2015, p. 55).

⁽¹⁹⁾ Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 February 2011 laying down the rules and general principles concerning mechanisms for control by Member States of the Commission's exercise of implementing powers (OJ L 55, 28.2.2011, p. 13).

- (66) In order to avoid the interruption of fishing activities and to ensure the livelihood of fishers, this Regulation should apply from 1 January 2024. However, provisions on fishing effort limits should apply from 1 February 2024. In addition, provisions on commercial fishing activities for European eel in Union marine and brackish waters of ICES subareas 3, 4, 6, 7, 8 and 9, and in adjacent Union brackish waters should apply from 1 April 2024, in order to avoid overlapping provisions with Regulation (EU) 2023/194 on the same subject matter. For reasons of urgency, this Regulation should enter into force on the day of its publication.
- (67) This Regulation should apply to the newly allocated fishing opportunities for mackerel in ICES division 3a, in the United Kingdom and in Union waters of divisions 2a, 3b, 3c, in division 3d and ICES subarea 4 as well as in Norwegian waters of divisions 2a and 4a (in MAC/2A34-N) from 1 January 2023 in order to allow the Union to access fully its mackerel quota. Such retroactive application does not therefore affect the principles of legal certainty or protection of legitimate expectations.
- (68) Certain international measures that create or restrict fishing opportunities for the Union were adopted by the relevant regional fisheries management organisations (RFMOs) at the end of 2023 and became applicable before the entry into force of this Regulation. The provisions of this Regulation that implement such measures in Union law should therefore apply retroactively. In particular, as the fishing season in the CCAMLR Convention area runs from 1 December to 30 November, and as certain fishing opportunities or prohibitions in the CCAMLR Convention area are laid down for a period starting from 1 December 2023, the relevant provisions of this Regulation should apply from that date. In addition, the fishing season for toothfishes in the SIOFA Agreement Area runs from 1 December to 30 November, and as the TACs for that group of species are established for a period starting from 1 December 2023, the TACs should apply from that date. Such retroactive application does not prejudice the principle of legitimate expectation as it is forbidden for fishing vessels flying the flag of the Contracting Party to fish in the CCAMLR Convention area and the SIOFA Agreement Area without authorisation.
- (69) In accordance with ICCAT rules, Member States should ensure that their fishing vessels do not deploy FADs during the 15 days before the start of the closure period, that is, from 17 December 2023 onwards. The provision of this Regulation that implements that measure in Union law should therefore apply retroactively,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

TITLE I

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1

Subject matter

1. This Regulation fixes fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters.
2. The fishing opportunities referred to in paragraph 1 include:
 - (a) catch limits for the year 2024 and, where specified in this Regulation, also for the years 2025 and 2026;
 - (b) fishing effort limits for the year 2024, except the fishing effort limits set out in Annex II, which are to apply from 1 February 2024 to 31 January 2025;
 - (c) fishing opportunities for the period from 1 December 2023 to 30 November 2024 for certain stocks in the CCAMLR Convention area and for certain stocks in the SIOFA Agreement Area.

*Article 2***Scope**

1. This Regulation applies to the following fishing vessels:
 - (a) Union fishing vessels; and
 - (b) third country fishing vessels in Union waters.
2. This Regulation also applies to:
 - (a) certain recreational fisheries expressly referred to in the relevant provisions of this Regulation; and
 - (b) commercial fisheries from shore.

*Article 3***Definitions**

For the purposes of this Regulation, the definitions in Article 4 of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 shall apply. In addition, the following definitions shall apply:

- (a) 'third country fishing vessel' means a fishing vessel flying the flag of, and registered in, a third country;
- (b) 'recreational fisheries' means non-commercial fishing activities exploiting marine biological resources in the context of recreation, tourism or sport;
- (c) 'international waters' means waters outside the sovereignty or jurisdiction of any State;
- (d) 'total allowable catch' (TAC) means:
 - (i) in fisheries subject to the exemption from the landing obligation referred to in Article 15(4) to (7) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013, the quantity of fish that may be landed from each stock each year;
 - (ii) in all other fisheries, the quantity of fish that may be caught from each stock each year;
- (e) 'quota' means a proportion of a TAC that is allocated to the Union, a Member State or a third country;
- (f) 'analytical assessment' means a quantitative evaluation of trends in a given stock, based on data about the stock's biology and exploitation, including based on proxies, which scientific review has indicated to be of sufficient quality to provide scientific advice;
- (g) 'analytical TAC' means a TAC for which an analytical assessment is available;
- (h) 'precautionary TAC' means a TAC for which an analytical assessment is not available but rather an assessment based on the precautionary approach is available or no assessment is available;
- (i) 'mesh size' means the mesh size of fishing nets as defined in Article 6, point (34), of Regulation (EU) 2019/1241;
- (j) 'Union fishing fleet register' means the register set up by the Commission pursuant to Article 24(3) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013;
- (k) 'fishing logbook' means the logbook referred to in Article 14 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009;
- (l) 'instrumented buoy' means a buoy clearly marked with a unique reference number allowing identification of its owner and equipped with a satellite tracking system to monitor its position;
- (m) 'operational buoy' means any instrumented buoy, previously activated, switched on and deployed at sea on a drifting fish aggregating device (FAD) or log, which transmits positions and other available information such as echo-sounder estimates.

Article 4

Fishing zones

For the purposes of this Regulation, the following fishing zone definitions apply:

- (a) 'ICES (International Council for the Exploration of the Sea) zones' means the geographical areas specified in Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 218/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽²⁰⁾;
- (b) 'Skagerrak' means the geographical area bounded on the west by a line drawn from the Hanstholm lighthouse to the Lindesnes lighthouse and on the south by a line drawn from the Skagen lighthouse to the Tistlarna lighthouse and from that point to the nearest point on the Swedish coast;
- (c) 'Kattegat' means the geographical area bounded on the north by a line drawn from the Skagen lighthouse to the Tistlarna lighthouse and from that point to the nearest point on the Swedish coast and on the south by a line drawn from Hasenøre to Gnibens Spids, from Korshage to Spodsbjerg and from Gilbjerg Hoved to Kullen;
- (d) 'functional unit 16 of ICES subarea 7' means the geographical area bounded by rhumb lines sequentially joining the following positions:

53°30'N 15°00'W,

53°30'N 11°00'W,

51°30'N 11°00'W,

51°30'N 13°00'W,

51°00'N 13°00'W,

51°00'N 15°00'W;

- (e) 'functional unit 25 of ICES division 8c' means the geographical sea area bounded by rhumb lines sequentially joining the following positions:

43°00'N 9°00'W,

43°00'N 10°00'W,

43°30'N 10°00'W,

43°30'N 9°00'W,

44°00'N 9°00'W,

44°00'N 8°00'W,

43°30'N 8°00'W;

- (f) 'functional unit 26 of ICES division 9a' means the geographical area bounded by rhumb lines sequentially joining the following positions:

43°00'N 8°00'W,

43°00'N 10°00'W,

42°00'N 10°00'W,

42 00'N 8°00'W;

⁽²⁰⁾ Regulation (EC) No 218/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2009 on the submission of nominal catch statistics by Member States fishing in the north-east Atlantic (OJ L 87, 31.3.2009, p. 70).

- (g) 'functional unit 27 of ICES division 9a' means the geographical area bounded by rhumb lines sequentially joining the following positions:

42°00'N 8°00'W,

42°00'N 10°00'W,

38°30'N 10°00'W,

38°30'N 9°00'W,

40°00'N 9°00'W,

40°00'N 8°00'W;

- (h) 'functional unit 30 of ICES division 9a' means the geographical area under the jurisdiction of Spain in the Gulf of Cádiz and in the adjacent waters of ICES division 9a;

- (i) 'functional unit 31 of ICES division 8c' means the geographical sea area bounded by rhumb lines sequentially joining the following positions:

43°30'N 6°00'W,

44°00'N 6°00'W,

44°00'N 2°00'W,

43°30'N 2°00'W;

- (j) 'Gulf of Cádiz' means the geographical area of ICES division 9a east of longitude 7° 23' 48" W;

- (k) 'CCAMLR (Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources) Convention area' means the geographical area defined in the Convention on the conservation of Antarctic marine living resources ⁽²¹⁾;

- (l) 'CECAF (Committee for Eastern Central Atlantic Fisheries) areas' means the geographical areas specified in Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 216/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽²²⁾;

- (m) 'IATTC (Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission) Convention area' means the geographical area defined in the Convention for the Strengthening of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission established by the 1949 Convention between the United States of America and the Republic of Costa Rica (Antigua Convention) ⁽²³⁾;

⁽²¹⁾ OJ L 252, 5.9.1981, p. 27. The Union approved the CCAMLR Convention by means of Council Decision 81/691/EEC of 4 September 1981 on the conclusion of the Convention on the conservation of Antarctic marine living resources (OJ L 252, 5.9.1981, p. 26).

⁽²²⁾ Regulation (EC) No 216/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2009 on the submission of nominal catch statistics by Member States fishing in certain areas other than those of the North Atlantic (OJ L 87, 31.3.2009, p. 1).

⁽²³⁾ OJ L 224, 16.8.2006, p. 24. The Union approved the Convention for the Strengthening of IATTC by means of Council Decision 2006/539/EC of 22 May 2006 on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Community of the Convention for the Strengthening of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission established by the 1949 Convention between the United States of America and the Republic of Costa Rica (OJ L 224, 16.8.2006, p. 22).

- (n) 'ICCAT (International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas) Convention area' means the geographical area defined in the International Convention for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas ⁽²⁴⁾;
- (o) 'IOTC (Indian Ocean Tuna Commission) Area of Competence' means the geographical area defined in the Agreement for the establishment of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission ⁽²⁵⁾;
- (p) 'NAFO (Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation) areas' means the geographical areas specified in Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 217/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽²⁶⁾;
- (q) 'the NAFO Convention Area' means the geographical areas defined in the Convention on Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries ⁽²⁷⁾;
- (r) 'the NAFO Regulatory Area' means the part of the NAFO Convention Area which is beyond national jurisdiction;
- (s) 'SEAFO (South East Atlantic Fisheries Organisation) Convention area' means the geographical area defined in the Convention on the Conservation and Management of Fishery Resources in the South-East Atlantic Ocean ⁽²⁸⁾;
- (t) 'SIOFA (Southern Indian Ocean Fisheries Agreement) Agreement Area' means the geographical area defined in the Southern Indian Ocean Fisheries Agreement ⁽²⁹⁾;
- (u) 'SPRFMO (South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation) Convention area' means the geographical area defined in the Convention on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fishery Resources in the South Pacific Ocean ⁽³⁰⁾;
- (v) 'WCPFC (Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission) Convention area' means the geographical area defined in the Convention on the Conservation and Management of Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean ⁽³¹⁾;
- (w) 'high seas of the Bering Sea' means the geographical area of the high seas of the Bering Sea beyond 200 nautical miles from the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial seas of the coastal States of the Bering Sea is measured;

⁽²⁴⁾ OJ L 162, 18.6.1986, p. 34. The Union acceded to the ICCAT by means of Council Decision 86/238/EEC of 9 June 1986 on the accession of the Community to the International Convention for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas, as amended by the Protocol annexed to the Final Act of the Conference of Plenipotentiaries of the States Parties to the Convention signed in Paris on 10 July 1984 (OJ L 162, 18.6.1986, p. 33).

⁽²⁵⁾ OJ L 236, 5.10.1995, p. 25. The Union acceded to the IOTC by means of Council Decision 95/399/EC of 18 September 1995 on the accession of the Community to the Agreement for the establishment of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (OJ L 236, 5.10.1995, p. 24).

⁽²⁶⁾ Regulation (EC) No 217/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2009 on the submission of catch and activity statistics by Member States fishing in the north-west Atlantic (OJ L 87, 31.3.2009, p. 42).

⁽²⁷⁾ OJ L 378, 30.12.1978, p. 2. The Union acceded the NAFO Convention by means of Council Regulation (EEC) No 3179/78 of 28 December 1978 concerning the conclusion by the European Economic Community of the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries (OJ L 378, 30.12.1978, p. 1).

⁽²⁸⁾ OJ L 234, 31.8.2002, p. 40. The Union approved the SEAFO Convention by means of Council Decision 2002/738/EC of 22 July 2002 on the conclusion by the European Community of the Convention on the Conservation and Management of Fishery Resources in the South-East Atlantic Ocean (OJ L 234, 31.8.2002, p. 39).

⁽²⁹⁾ OJ L 196, 18.7.2006, p. 15. The Union approved the SIOFA by means of Council Decision 2008/780/EC of 29 September 2008 on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Community, of the Southern Indian Ocean Fisheries Agreement (OJ L 268, 9.10.2008, p. 27).

⁽³⁰⁾ OJ L 67, 6.3.2012, p. 3. The Union approved the SPRFMO Convention by means of Council Decision 2012/130/EU of 3 October 2011 on the approval, on behalf of the European Union, of the Convention on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fishery Resources in the South Pacific Ocean (OJ L 67, 6.3.2012, p. 1).

⁽³¹⁾ OJ L 32, 4.2.2005, p. 3. The Union acceded to the WCPFC by means of Council Decision 2005/75/EC of 26 April 2004 on the accession of the Community to the Convention on the Conservation and Management of Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean (OJ L 32, 4.2.2005, p. 1).

- (x) 'overlap area between IATTC and WCPFC Convention areas' means the geographical area defined by the following limits:
- longitude 150° W,
 - longitude 130° W,
 - latitude 4° S,
 - latitude 50° S;
- (y) 'GFCM geographical subareas' means the areas defined in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 1343/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽³²⁾.

TITLE II

FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNION FISHING VESSELS

Chapter I

General provisions

Article 5

TACs and allocations

1. The TACs for Union fishing vessels in Union waters and certain non-Union waters, their allocation among Member States and, where appropriate, the conditions functionally linked thereto are set out in Annex I.
2. Union fishing vessels may be authorised by the coastal State concerned to fish in waters under the fisheries jurisdiction of the Faroe Islands, Greenland, Norway and in the fishing zone around Jan Mayen subject to the TACs set out in Annex I to this Regulation and subject to the conditions provided for in Article 22 of this Regulation, Part A of Annex V to this Regulation and in Regulation (EU) 2017/2403 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽³³⁾ and delegated acts adopted by the Commission on the basis of that Regulation.
3. Union fishing vessels may be authorised by the United Kingdom to fish in waters under its fisheries jurisdiction subject to the TACs in Annex I to this Regulation, the conditions provided for in Article 22 of this Regulation and in Regulation (EU) 2017/2403 and delegated acts adopted by the Commission on the basis of that Regulation.

Article 6

TACs to be determined by Member States

1. The TACs set out in Annex I to this Regulation shall, where specified in that Annex, be determined by the Member State concerned.

⁽³²⁾ Regulation (EU) No 1343/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 December 2011 on certain provisions for fishing in the GFCM (General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean) Agreement area and amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1967/2006 concerning management measures for the sustainable exploitation of fishery resources in the Mediterranean Sea (OJ L 347, 30.12.2011, p. 44).

⁽³³⁾ Regulation (EU) 2017/2403 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2017 on the sustainable management of external fishing fleets, and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1006/2008 (OJ L 347, 28.12.2017, p. 81).

2. The TACs to be determined by a Member State referred to in paragraph 1 shall:
 - (a) be consistent with the principles and rules of the CFP, in particular the principle of sustainable exploitation of the stock; and
 - (b) result in an exploitation of the stock that is:
 - (i) if an analytical assessment is available, in line with MSY, with as high a probability as possible; or
 - (ii) if an analytical assessment is unavailable or incomplete, consistent with the precautionary approach to fisheries management.
3. By 15 March 2024, each Member State concerned shall submit the following information to the Commission:
 - (a) the TACs that it has determined;
 - (b) the data that it has collected, assessed and used as a basis for the determination of the TACs;
 - (c) details as to how the determined TACs comply with paragraph 2.

Article 7

Conditions for landing catches and by-catches

1. Catches that are not subject to the landing obligation under Article 15 of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 shall be retained on board or landed only if they:
 - (a) have been taken by fishing vessels flying the flag of a Member State that has a quota and that quota has not been exhausted; or
 - (b) make up a share of a Union quota that has not been allocated among Member States and that has not been exhausted.
2. For the purposes of the derogation from the obligation to count catches against the relevant quotas, as provided for in Article 15(8) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013, the stocks of non-target species within safe biological limits referred to in that Article are identified in Annex I to this Regulation.

Article 8

Quota exchange mechanism for TACs for unavoidable by-catches

1. In order to take account of the landing obligation and to make quotas for certain by-catches available to Member States without a quota, the quota exchange mechanism set out in paragraphs 2 to 5 shall apply to the TACs identified in Annex IA.
2. 6 % of each quota from the TACs for cod (*Gadus morhua*) in the Celtic Sea (COD/7XAD34), cod in the West of Scotland (COD/5BE6A), whiting in the Irish Sea (WHG/07A.) and plaice in ICES divisions 7h, 7j and 7k (PLE/7HJK.), and 3 % of each quota from the TAC for whiting in the West of Scotland (WHG/56-14), allocated to each Member State, shall be made available for a pool for quota exchanges ('the pool'), which shall open on 1 January 2024. Member States without a quota shall have exclusive access to the pool until 31 March 2024.
3. The quantities drawn from the pool may not be exchanged or transferred to the following year. After 31 March 2024, any unused quantities shall be returned to the Member States that initially contributed to the pool.
4. Member States without a quota shall provide in return quotas for stocks listed in Annex IA, Part C, unless the Member State without a quota and the Member State contributing to the pool agree otherwise.
5. The quotas referred to in paragraph 4 shall be of equivalent commercial value, determined on the basis of a market exchange rate or other mutually acceptable exchange rates. In the absence of alternatives, the equivalent commercial value shall be determined on the basis of average Union prices from the previous year, as provided by the European Market Observatory for Fisheries and Aquaculture Products.

6. Where the quota exchange mechanism set out in paragraphs 2 to 5 does not allow Member States to cover their unavoidable by-catches to a similar extent, Member States shall endeavour to agree on quota exchanges pursuant to Article 16(8) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013, ensuring that quotas exchanged are of equivalent commercial value.

Article 9

Fishing effort limits in ICES division 7e

1. For the period referred to in Article 1(2), point (b), fishing effort limitations for sole in ICES division 7e are set out in Annex II.
2. At the request of a Member State in accordance with point 7.4 of Annex II, the Commission may adopt an implementing act by which it allocates to that Member State a number of days at sea in addition to those referred to in point 5 of Annex II, on which a fishing vessel may be present in ICES division 7e when carrying on board any regulated gear. The Commission shall adopt that implementing act in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 57(2).
3. At the request of a Member State, the Commission may adopt an implementing act by which it allocates to that Member State a maximum of three days between 1 February 2024 and 31 January 2025, in addition to those referred to in point 5 of Annex II, on which a fishing vessel may be present in ICES division 7e on the basis of an enhanced programme of scientific observer coverage, as referred to in point 8.1 of Annex II. It shall make such an allocation on the basis of the description submitted by that Member State in accordance with point 8.3 of Annex II and following consultation with the STECF. That implementing act shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 57(2).

Article 10

Measures on European seabass fisheries in ICES divisions 4b, 4c and 6a and ICES subarea 7

1. It shall be prohibited for Union fishing vessels, as well as for any commercial fisheries from shore, to fish for European seabass (*Dicentrarchus labrax*) in ICES divisions 4b and 4c and in ICES subarea 7 or to retain on board, tranship, relocate or land European seabass caught in that area.
2. The prohibition set out in paragraph 1 shall not apply to by-catches of seabass in shore-based commercial netting activities. This exemption applies to historic numbers of beach nets set at pre-2017 levels. Shore-based commercial netting activities shall not target seabass and only unavoidable by-catches of seabass may be landed.
3. By way of derogation from paragraph 1, in January 2024 and from 1 April to 31 December 2024, Union fishing vessels in ICES divisions 4b, 4c, 7d, 7e, 7f and 7h may fish for, retain on board, tranship, relocate or land European seabass caught in that area with the following gear and within the following limits:
 - (a) using demersal trawls ⁽³⁴⁾, for unavoidable by-catches not exceeding 3,8 tonnes per fishing vessel and per year and 5 % of the weight of the total catches of marine organisms on board caught by the fishing vessel concerned per fishing trip;
 - (b) using seines ⁽³⁵⁾, for unavoidable by-catches not exceeding 3,8 tonnes per fishing vessel and per year and 5 % of the weight of the total catches of marine organisms on board caught by the fishing vessel concerned per fishing trip;
 - (c) using hooks and lines ⁽³⁶⁾, not exceeding 6,2 tonnes per fishing vessel;
 - (d) using fixed gillnets ⁽³⁷⁾, for unavoidable by-catches not exceeding 1,6 tonnes per fishing vessel.

⁽³⁴⁾ All types of demersal trawls (OTB, OTT, PTB, TBB, TBN, TBS and TB).

⁽³⁵⁾ All types of seines (SSC, SDN, SPR, SV, SB and SX).

⁽³⁶⁾ All long lines or pole and line or rod and line fisheries (LHP, LHM, LLD, LL, LTL, LX and LLS).

⁽³⁷⁾ All fixed gillnets and traps (GTR, GNS, GNC, FYK, FPN and FIX).

The derogations set out in the first subparagraph, point (c), shall apply to Union fishing vessels that have recorded catches of European seabass using hooks and lines over the period from 1 July 2015 to 30 September 2016.

The derogations set out in the first subparagraph, point (d), shall apply to Union fishing vessels that have recorded catches of European seabass using fixed gillnets over the period from 1 July 2015 to 30 September 2016.

In the case of a replacement of a Union fishing vessel, Member States may allow the derogations to apply to another Union fishing vessel provided that the number of Union fishing vessels subject to each of the derogations and their overall fishing capacity do not increase.

4. The catch limits set out in paragraph 3 shall not be transferable between fishing vessels.
5. In recreational fisheries, including from shore in ICES divisions 4b, 4c, 6a and 7a to 7k:
 - (a) from 1 February to 31 March 2024:
 - (i) only catch-and-release fishing with a rod or a handline for European seabass shall be allowed;
 - (ii) it shall be prohibited to retain, relocate, tranship or land European seabass caught in that area;
 - (b) in January and from 1 April to 31 December 2024:
 - (i) not more than two specimens of European seabass may be caught and retained per fisher per day;
 - (ii) the minimum size of European seabass retained shall be 42 cm;
 - (iii) fixed nets shall not be used to catch or retain European seabass.
6. Paragraph 5 shall apply without prejudice to more stringent national measures on recreational fisheries.

Article 11

Measures on European seabass fisheries in ICES divisions 8a and 8b

1. France and Spain shall, in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2019/472, ensure that commercial landings and recreational removals of the European seabass in ICES divisions 8a and 8b do not exceed 2 642 tonnes, which corresponds to the F_{MSY} point value as reduced proportionally to take into account the decrease in the biomass, below $MSY B_{trigger}$.
2. In recreational fisheries, including from shore, in ICES divisions 8a and 8b:
 - (a) a maximum of one specimen of European seabass may be caught and retained per fisher per day;
 - (b) fixed nets shall not be used to catch or retain European seabass.
3. Paragraph 2 shall apply without prejudice to more stringent national measures on recreational fisheries.

Article 12

Measures on recreational fisheries for pollack in ICES subareas 8, 9, 10 and Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1

1. In recreational fisheries, including from shores in ICES subareas 8, 9, 10 and Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1:
 - (a) a maximum of two specimens of pollack (*Pollachius pollachius*) may be caught and retained per fisher per day. Once that ceiling has been reached, 'catch and release' fishing may be carried out;

- (b) no specimens of pollack are permitted to be caught and retained from 1 January to 30 April. 'Catch and release' fishing may nevertheless be carried out during that period.
2. Paragraph 1 applies without prejudice to stricter national measures on recreational fishing.

Article 13

Measures on European eel fisheries in Union waters of ICES subareas 3, 4, 6, 7, 8 and 9

1. This Article applies to Union marine and brackish waters of ICES subareas 3, 4, 6, 7, 8 and 9, and to adjacent Union brackish waters. Brackish waters include estuaries, coastal lagoons and transitional waters.
2. This Article does not apply to commercial fishing operations conducted for the exclusive purpose of scientific investigations, provided that those investigations are carried out in compliance with the conditions set out in Article 25 of Regulation (EU) 2019/1241 and that the STECF has confirmed to the Commission and the Member States concerned that such scientific investigations are justified on scientific grounds. The same conditions shall apply by analogy to commercial fishing operations conducted for the exclusive purpose of scientific investigations without a fishing vessel.
3. It shall be prohibited to engage in commercial fishing activities for European eel (*Anguilla anguilla*) at all life stages for a period of at least six months between 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025. In addition, Member States and fishers shall undertake all reasonable efforts to minimise and where possible eliminate incidental by-catch of European eel. When accidentally caught, specimens of eel shall not be harmed and shall be promptly released. To that effect, the Member State concerned, either individually or jointly, shall determine one or more closure periods subject to the following:
- (a) where appropriate, the closure period or periods may differ between Member States or within one Member State from one fishing area to another in order to take account of the geographical and temporal migration pattern of eel at its different life stages;
 - (b) the closure period or periods shall last for a consecutive or non-consecutive time span of at least six months, which shall apply to all fishers concerned in the relevant fishing area;
 - (c) the closure period or periods shall be consistent with the conservation objectives set out in Regulation (EC) No 1100/2007, and with national management plans established pursuant to Article 2 of that Regulation; and
 - (d) the closure period or periods shall cover the main migration period or periods, including the respective peak, of European eel at the respective life stage in the Member State concerned.
4. By way of derogation from paragraph 3, point (d), for European eel of an overall length of 12 cm or more, the Member States concerned may allow fishing activities for up to a total of 30 consecutive or non-consecutive days, which shall apply to all fishers concerned in the relevant fishing area, during the main migration period. In that case, the Member States concerned shall determine an additional closure of an equivalent period of time during the main migration period or, subsidiarily, just before or after it. In case a Member State allows fishing for non-consecutive days, the fishing gear shall be taken out of the water between any period of non-consecutive days.
5. For European eel of an overall length of 12 cm or more in ICES subarea 3, the closure period or periods referred to in paragraph 3 and the derogation thereof referred to in paragraph 4 shall be agreed by all the Member States concerned so as to ensure an effective protection of eel on its migration from the Baltic Sea into the North Sea. In the absence of such an agreement by 1 March 2024, the closure period shall be 15 September 2024 to 15 March 2025 in Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Finland and Sweden, and without the possibility of the derogation referred to in paragraph 4.

6. By way of further derogation from paragraph 3, point (d), for European eel of an overall length of less than 12 cm, the Member States concerned may allow fishing activities for up to a total of 30 consecutive or non-consecutive days, which shall apply to all fishers concerned in the relevant fishing area, during the main migration period. In addition, the Member States concerned may allow fishing exclusively for restocking for up to an additional 50 days during the main migration period. In both cases, the Member States concerned shall determine an additional closure of an equivalent period of time during the main migration period or, subsidiarily, just before or after it. In case a Member State allows fishing for non-consecutive days, the fishing gear shall be taken out of the water between any period of non-consecutive days.

7. Recreational fisheries of European eel at all life stages shall be prohibited.

8. The Member State concerned, either individually or jointly, shall inform the Commission:

- (a) by 1 March 2024, about the closure period or periods that it has determined in accordance with paragraphs 3 to 6 together with the supporting information justifying the chosen period or periods;
- (b) within 2 weeks after their adoption, of national measures relating to the closure period or periods that it has determined in accordance with paragraph 3 to 6.

Article 14

Special provisions on allocations of fishing opportunities

1. The allocation of fishing opportunities among Member States set out in this Regulation shall be without prejudice to:

- (a) exchanges pursuant to Article 16(8) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013;
- (b) deductions and reallocations pursuant to Article 37 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009;
- (c) reallocations pursuant to Articles 12 and 47 of Regulation (EU) 2017/2403;
- (d) additional landings allowed under Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 and Article 15(9) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013;
- (e) quantities withheld in accordance with Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 and Article 15(9) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013;
- (f) deductions pursuant to Articles 105, 106 and 107 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009;
- (g) quota transfers and exchanges pursuant to Articles 23 and 51 of this Regulation.

2. Stocks subject to precautionary or analytical TACs for the purposes of the year-to-year management of TACs and quotas provided for in Regulation (EC) No 847/96 are identified in Annex I to this Regulation.

3. Except where otherwise specified in Annex I to this Regulation, Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall apply to stocks subject to a precautionary TAC, and Article 3(2) and (3) and Article 4 of that Regulation shall apply to stocks subject to an analytical TAC.

4. Articles 3 and 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply where a Member State uses the year-to-year flexibility provided for in Article 15(9) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013.

Article 15

Closed fishing seasons for sandeels

Commercial fishing for sandeels (*Ammodytes* spp.) with demersal trawl, seine or similar towed gears with a mesh size of less than 16 mm shall be prohibited in ICES divisions 2a and 3a and in ICES subarea 4 from 1 January to 31 March 2024 and from 1 August to 31 December 2024.

Article 16

Remedial measures for cod in the North Sea

1. The areas closed to fishing, except with pelagic gear (purse seines and trawls), and the periods during which the closures apply are set out in Annex IV.
2. Fishing vessels fishing with bottom trawls and seines with minimum mesh size of at least 70 mm in ICES divisions 4a and 4b or at least 90 mm in ICES division 3a, and longlines⁽³⁸⁾ shall be prohibited from fishing in Union waters of ICES division 4a, north of latitude 58°30'00"N and south of latitude 61°30'00"N, and in Union waters of ICES divisions 3a.20 (Skagerrak), 4a and 4b, north of latitude 57°00'00"N and east of longitude 5°00'00"E.
3. By way of derogation from paragraph 2, fishing vessels referred to in that paragraph may fish in the areas referred to in that paragraph provided that they fulfil at least one of the following criteria:
 - (a) their cod catches do not account for more than 5 % of their total catches per fishing trip; fishing vessels whose cod catches did not exceed 5 % of their total catches in 2017–2019 are presumed to comply with this criterion provided that they continue to use the same gear that they used in that period; this presumption may be rebutted;
 - (b) a regulated and highly selective bottom trawl or seine is used, resulting, according to a scientific study, in at least a 30 % reduction in cod catches compared to vessels fishing with the baseline mesh size for towed gears, as specified in Part B, point 1.1, of Annex V to Regulation (EU) 2019/1241; such studies may be evaluated by the STECF and in the case of a negative evaluation, the gears in question shall no longer be considered valid for use in the areas referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article;
 - (c) for fishing vessels fishing with bottom trawls and seines with mesh sizes equal to or larger than 100 mm (TR1), the following highly selective gears are used:
 - (i) belly trawls with a minimum belly mesh size of 600 mm;
 - (ii) raised fishing line (0,6 m);
 - (iii) horizontal separating panel with large mesh escape panel;
 - (d) for fishing vessels fishing with bottom trawls and seines with mesh sizes equal to or larger than 70 mm in ICES division 4a and 90 mm in ICES division 3a, and less than 100 mm (TR2), the following highly selective gears are used:
 - (i) horizontal sorting grid with maximum 50 mm bar spacing separating flatfish and roundfish, with an unblocked fish outlet for roundfish;
 - (ii) seltra panel with 300 mm square-mesh size;
 - (iii) sorting grid with maximum 35 mm bar spacing, with an unblocked fish outlet;
 - (e) fishing vessels are subject to a national cod avoidance plan to sustain cod catches in line with the fishing mortality corresponding to the fishing opportunities fixed, based on scientific advice levels, through spatial or technical measures, or a combination thereof; such plans shall be assessed no later than two months following their implementation, by the STECF in the case of Member States or by the relevant national scientific body in the case of third countries, and, where deemed necessary, further revised if such assessments find that the objective of the national cod avoidance plan will not be met.
4. Member States shall enhance the monitoring, control and surveillance of fishing vessels referred to in paragraph 2 in order to ensure compliance with the conditions laid down in paragraph 3.
5. This Article shall not apply to fishing operations conducted for the exclusive purpose of scientific investigations, provided that those investigations are carried out in compliance with Article 25 of Regulation (EU) 2019/1241.

⁽³⁸⁾ Gear codes: OTB, OTT, OT, TBN, TBS, TB, TX, PTB, SDN, SSC, SX, LL, LLS.

Article 17

Technical measures for the Celtic Sea, the Irish Sea and the West of Scotland

1. The following shall apply to fishing vessels fishing with bottom trawls and seines in ICES divisions 7f, 7g, the part of 7h North of latitude 49° 30' North and the part of 7j North of latitude 49° 30' North and East of longitude 11° West:

- (a) fishing vessels fishing with bottom trawls or seines shall use gear with one of the following mesh sizes:
- (i) 110 mm cod-end with 120 mm square-mesh panel;
 - (ii) 100 mm T90 cod-end;
 - (iii) 120 mm cod-end;
 - (iv) 100 mm with 160 mm square-mesh panel;
- (b) in addition, fishing vessels fishing with bottom trawls whose catches weighed before any discards consist of at least 20 % of haddock shall use a fishing gear that is constructed with a minimum of one meter spacing between the fishing line and ground gear.

Member States may exempt from the application of this point fishing vessels fishing with bottom trawls whose catches, weighed before any discards, consist of less than 1,5 % of cod, provided those vessels are subject to a progressive increase of observer coverage at sea up to at least 20 % of all their fishing trips;

- (c) fishing vessels fishing with bottom trawls or seines with catches comprising more than 30 % of Norway lobster shall use one of the following gears:
- (i) 300 mm squared mesh panel; vessels below 12 meters in length over all may use a 200 mm square mesh panel;
 - (ii) seltra panel;
 - (iii) sorting grid with a 35 mm bar spacing or a similar Net grid selectivity device;
 - (iv) 100 mm cod-end with a 100 mm square mesh panel;
 - (v) dual cod-end with the uppermost cod-end constructed with T90 mesh of at least 100 mm and fitted with a separation panel with a maximum mesh size of 300 mm;
- (d) fishing vessels fishing with bottom trawls or seines with catches comprising more than 55 % of whiting or 55 % of anglerfish, hake or megrim combined, shall use one of the following gears:
- (i) 100 mm cod-end with a 100 mm squared mesh panel;
 - (ii) 100 mm T90 cod-end and extension.

2. The following shall apply to fishing vessels fishing with bottom trawls or seines in ICES divisions 6a and 5b, within Union waters, East of 12°W (West of Scotland) in Norway lobster (*Nephrops norvegicus*) fisheries:

- (a) fishing vessels shall use a square mesh panel (positioning retained) of at least 300 mm for vessels deploying a cod-end mesh size less than 100 mm; for vessels below 12 m in length over all and/or with engine power of 200 kW or less, the panel overall length may be 2 m and the panel 200 mm;
- (b) fishing vessels with catches comprising more than 30 % of Norway lobster shall use a square mesh panel (positioning retained) of at least 160 mm for vessels deploying a cod-end mesh size of 100-119 mm.

3. The following shall apply to fishing vessels fishing with bottom trawls or seines in ICES division 7a (Irish Sea):

- (a) fishing vessels fishing with bottom trawls or seines with a cod-end mesh size equal to or larger than 70 mm and smaller than 100 mm and with catches comprising more than 30 % of Norway lobster shall use one of the following gears:
- (i) 300 mm square mesh panel; fishing vessels below 12 meters in length over all may use a 200 mm squared mesh panel;

- (ii) seltra panel;
 - (iii) sorting grid with 35 mm bar spacing;
 - (iv) CEFAS Net grid;
 - (v) flip-flap trawl;
- (b) fishing vessels equal to or greater than 12 meters in length overall operating with bottom trawls or seines with catches comprising more than 10 % of haddock, cod and skates and rays combined, shall use 120 mm cod-end.

4. The catch percentages in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article shall be calculated as the proportion by live weight of all marine biological resources landed after each fishing trip, in accordance with Article 15 of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 and Article 27(2) of Regulation (EU) 2019/1241.

5. It shall be prohibited for fishing vessels to fish with bottom trawls and seines in the following zones:

- (a) ICES divisions from 7f to 7k,
- (b) in the area West of 5° W longitude in ICES division 7e and
- (c) in ICES divisions 7b and 7c.

This prohibition shall not apply to fishing vessels in case:

- (i) they use a cod-end mesh size of at least 100 mm, or
- (ii) their by-catches of cod do not exceed 1,5 %, as assessed by the STECF, when fishing outside the areas mentioned in paragraph 1.

Article 18

Technical measures for red seabream in ICES subareas 6 to 8

1. A minimum conservation reference size of 36 cm shall apply for the catches of red seabream (*Pagellus bogaraveo*) in ICES subareas 6 to 8.
2. A minimum conservation reference size of 40 cm shall apply for the recreational catches of red seabream in ICES sub-areas 6 and 7.
3. From 1 January to 30 June 2024, all fishing for red seabream in ICES sub-areas 6, 7 and 8 shall be prohibited to fishing vessels flying the French flag.
4. From 1 February to 30 September 2024, fishing with bottom set longlines (LLS) and bottom trawls (OTB) shall be prohibited in the western area of the Cantabrian Sea, opposite to Asturias and Galicia.
5. Recreational fisheries for red seabream shall be prohibited within the following geographical areas: Area RF 1 (Cariño/Celeiro), Area RF 2 (Ribadeo), Area RF 3 (Navia), Area RF 4 (Ensenada Canero), Area RF 5 (Ensenada de Cabrera/Ría San Martín de la Arena), Area RF 6 (Ría de Treto), Area RF 7 (Bilbao/Plentzia), Area RF 8 (Bermeo/Mundaka).

Article 19

Remedial measures for cod in the Kattegat

1. Union fishing vessels fishing in the Kattegat with bottom trawls ⁽³⁹⁾ with minimum mesh size of 70 mm shall use one of the following selective gears:
 - (a) sorting grid with maximum 35 mm bar spacing, with an unblocked fish outlet;
 - (b) sorting grid with maximum 50 mm bar spacing separating flatfish and roundfish, with an unblocked fish outlet for roundfish;

⁽³⁹⁾ Gear codes: OTB, OTT, OT, TBN, TBS, TB, TX, PTB.

- (c) seltra panel with 300 mm square-mesh size;
 - (d) regulated highly selective gear, the technical attributes of which shall result, according to a scientific study assessed by the STECF, for fishing vessels exclusively carrying on board such a gear, in less than 1,5 % of catches of cod.
2. Union fishing vessels participating in a project run by a Member State and having functioning equipment for fully documented fisheries may use a gear in accordance with Part B of Annex V to Regulation (EU) 2019/1241. By 31 March 2024, the Member State in question shall communicate a list of such vessels to the Commission.
3. This Article shall not apply to fishing operations conducted for the exclusive purpose of scientific investigations, provided that those investigations are carried out in compliance with Article 25 of Regulation (EU) 2019/1241.

Article 20

Prohibited species

1. Union fishing vessels shall not fish for, retain on board, tranship or land the following species:
- (a) starry ray (*Amblyraja radiata*) in United Kingdom and Union waters of ICES subarea 4 and division 7d; United Kingdom waters of division 2a; and Union waters of division 3a;
 - (b) splendid alfonsino (*Beryx splendens*) in NAFO subarea 6;
 - (c) leafscale gulper shark (*Centrophorus squamosus*) in United Kingdom and Union waters of ICES subarea 4; United Kingdom waters of division 2a; and international waters of ICES subareas 1 and 14;
 - (d) Portuguese dogfish (*Centroscymnus coelolepis*) in United Kingdom and Union waters of ICES subarea 4; United Kingdom waters of division 2a; and international waters of ICES subareas 1 and 14;
 - (e) kitefin shark (*Dalatias licha*) in United Kingdom and Union waters of ICES subarea 4; United Kingdom waters of division 2a; and international waters of ICES subareas 1 and 14;
 - (f) birdbeak dogfish (*Deania calceus*) in United Kingdom and Union waters of ICES subarea 4; United Kingdom waters of division 2a; and international waters of ICES subareas 1 and 14;
 - (g) common skate (*Dipturus batis*) complex (*Dipturus* cf. *flossada* and *Dipturus* cf. *intermedia*) in United Kingdom and Union waters of ICES subareas 4 and 6 to 8; United Kingdom waters of division 2a and subarea 5; and Union waters of subareas 3, 9 and 10;
 - (h) great lanternshark (*Etmopterus princeps*) in United Kingdom and Union waters of ICES subarea 4; United Kingdom waters of division 2a; and international waters of ICES subareas 1 and 14;
 - (i) tope shark (*Galeorhinus galeus*) when taken with longlines in United Kingdom and Union waters of ICES subareas 4; United Kingdom waters of division 2a; United Kingdom and international waters of subarea 5; United Kingdom, Union and international waters of subareas 6 to 8; and international waters of subareas 12 and 14;
 - (j) porbeagle (*Lamna nasus*) in all waters;
 - (k) thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) in Union waters of ICES division 3a;
 - (l) undulate ray (*Raja undulata*) in United Kingdom and Union waters of ICES subarea 6; and Union waters of ICES subarea 10;
 - (m) whale shark (*Rhincodon typus*) in all waters;
 - (n) common guitarfish (*Rhinobatos rhinobatos*) in the Mediterranean.
2. When accidentally caught, specimens of the species referred to in paragraph 1 shall not be harmed and shall be promptly released.

*Article 21***Data transmission**

When Member States submit to the Commission data relating to landings and fishing effort pursuant to Articles 33 and 34 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009, they shall use the stock codes set out in Annex I to this Regulation.

Chapter II**Fishing authorisations in third country waters***Article 22***Fishing authorisations**

1. The maximum numbers of fishing authorisations for Union fishing vessels in third country waters, where applicable, are set out in Part A of Annex V.
2. Where, in accordance with Article 16(8) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013, a Member State, after notifying the Commission, transfers quota to another Member State in the fishing areas set out in Part A of Annex V to this Regulation, the transfer shall be accompanied, where relevant, by an appropriate transfer of fishing authorisations. The total number of authorisations for each fishing area, as set out in Part A of Annex V to this Regulation, shall not be exceeded. That transfer of fishing authorisations shall be notified by the transferring Member State to the Commission at the time of the notification to the Commission of the quota transfer.

Chapter III**Fishing opportunities managed by regional fisheries management organisations****Section 1****General provisions***Article 23***Quota transfers and exchanges**

1. Where the rules of a regional fisheries management organisation (RFMO) permit quota transfers or exchanges between the Contracting Parties to that RFMO, a Member State ('the Member State concerned') may discuss with a Contracting Party to that RFMO and establish a possible outline of an intended quota transfer or exchange, as appropriate. The Member State concerned shall notify the Commission of the outline.
2. On being notified in accordance with paragraph 1, the Commission may endorse the outline of the intended quota transfer or exchange. If the Commission endorses the outline, it shall express, without undue delay, the consent to be bound by the intended quota transfer or exchange. It shall notify the secretariat of the RFMO of the transfer or exchange in accordance with the rules of that RFMO.
3. The Commission shall inform the Member States of any agreed quota transfer or exchange.

4. The fishing opportunities received or transferred by the Member State concerned under the quota transfer or exchange shall be deemed to be quotas added to, or deducted from, its allocation as of the moment when the transfer or exchange takes effect under the terms of the agreement with the relevant Contracting Party to the RFMO or in accordance with the rules of the relevant RFMO, as appropriate. Such transfers and exchanges shall not affect the distribution key for allocating fishing opportunities among Member States in accordance with the principle of relative stability of fishing activities.

Section 2

NEAFC Convention area

Article 24

Redfish in the Irminger Sea

1. All fishing activities shall be prohibited in the area bounded by the following coordinates measured according to the WGS84 system:

Latitude	Longitude
63°00'N	30°00'W
61°30'N	27°35'W
60°45'N	28°45'W
62°00'N	31°35'W
63°00'N	30°00'W

2. Fishing vessels shall be prohibited from fishing, retaining on board, transshipping or landing in Union ports and Union fishing vessels also in third country ports shallow pelagic and deep pelagic beaked redfish (*Sebastes mentella*) from the Irminger Sea and adjacent waters (ICES subareas 5, 12 and 14, and NAFO subareas 1 and 2).

3. Union fishing vessels shall be prohibited from participating in transshipment operations involving the stocks referred to in paragraph 2.

4. Union vessels shall be prohibited from refuelling or providing support services to fishing vessels with catches of the stocks referred to in paragraph 2.

Section 3

ICCAT Convention area

Article 25

Fishing, farming and fattening capacity limitations

1. The number of Union bait boats and trolling boats authorised to fish actively for bluefin tuna (*Thunnus thynnus*) between 8 kg/75 cm and 30 kg/115 cm in the eastern Atlantic shall be limited as set out in point 1 of Annex VI.

2. The number of Union coastal artisanal fishing vessels authorised to fish actively for bluefin tuna between 8 kg/75 cm and 30 kg/115 cm in the Mediterranean shall be limited as set out in point 2 of Annex VI.

3. The number of Union fishing vessels fishing for bluefin tuna in the Adriatic Sea for farming purposes authorised to fish actively for bluefin tuna between 8 kg/75 cm and 30 kg/115 cm shall be limited as set out in point 3 of Annex VI.

4. The number of Union fishing vessels authorised to fish for, retain on board, tranship, transport or land bluefin tuna in the eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean shall be limited as set out in point 4 of Annex VI.
5. The number of traps engaged in bluefin tuna fishery in the eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean shall be limited as set out in point 5 of Annex VI.
6. The maximum number of Union fishing vessels authorised to fish for northern albacore (*Thunnus alalunga*) as a target species in accordance with Article 17 of Regulation (EU) 2017/2107 ⁽⁴⁰⁾ shall be limited as set out in point 7 of Annex VI to this Regulation.
7. The maximum number of Union fishing vessels of at least 20 m length fishing for bigeye tuna (*Thunnus obesus*) in the ICCAT Convention area shall be limited as set out in point 8 of Annex VI.

Article 26

Recreational fisheries

Where appropriate, Member States shall allocate a specific share from their allocated quotas to recreational fisheries, as set out in Annex ID.

Article 27

Sharks

1. It shall be prohibited to retain on board, tranship or land any part or whole carcass of bigeye thresher sharks (*Alopias superciliosus*) caught in any fishery.
2. It shall be prohibited to engage in directed fishery for species of thresher sharks of the *Alopias* genus.
3. It shall be prohibited to retain on board, tranship or land any part or whole carcass of hammerhead sharks of the Sphyrnidae family (except *Sphyrna tiburo*) caught in fisheries in the ICCAT Convention area.
4. It shall be prohibited to retain on board, tranship or land any part or whole carcass of oceanic whitetip sharks (*Carcharhinus longimanus*) caught in any fishery.
5. It shall be prohibited to retain on board silky sharks (*Carcharhinus falciformis*) caught in any fishery.
6. It shall be prohibited to retain on board, tranship or land any part or whole carcass of North Atlantic shortfin mako (*Isurus oxyrinchus*) caught in fisheries in the ICCAT Convention area.

Article 28

FADs for tropical tunas

1. It shall be prohibited to use FADs in the ICCAT Convention area from 1 January to 12 March 2024.
2. From 17 December 2023 to 31 December 2023, Member States shall ensure that their fishing vessels do not deploy FADs. Each fishing vessel shall have no more than 300 FADs with operational buoys deployed at any time in the ICCAT Convention area.

⁽⁴⁰⁾ Regulation (EU) 2017/2107 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 November 2017 laying down management, conservation and control measures applicable in the Convention area of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT), and amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1936/2001, (EC) No 1984/2003 and (EC) No 520/2007 (OJ L 315, 30.11.2017, p. 1).

3. Member States shall report to the Commission historical data on fishing gear set around FADs by their purse seine vessels by 30 June 2024. If a Member State does not report those data by that date, fishing vessels flying its flag shall not set fishing gear around FADs until the Commission receives those data from that Member State for further reporting to ICCAT.

Section 4

CCAMLR Convention area

Article 29

Exploratory fisheries notifications for toothfish for the 2024-2025 fishing season

1. Member States may participate in, or authorise their fishing vessels to participate in, longline exploratory fisheries for toothfish (*Dissostichus* spp.) in FAO subareas 48.6, 88.1 and 88.2 and FAO divisions 58.4.1, 58.4.2 and 58.4.3a outside areas of national jurisdiction for fishing in the period from 1 December 2024 to 30 November 2025, in accordance with Article 7(2) to (7) of Council Regulation (EC) No 601/2004 ⁽⁴¹⁾.
2. By way of derogation from the deadlines set out in Article 7(5) and (6) of Regulation (EC) No 601/2004, those Member States intending to do so shall notify the CCAMLR Secretariat no later than 1 June 2024.

Article 30

Toothfish fishery during the 2023-2024 fishing season

1. In addition to the special requirements for exploratory fisheries set out in Article 7a of Regulation (EC) No 601/2004, fishing for toothfish in the period from 1 December 2023 to 30 November 2024 shall be limited to the Member States, subareas and number of fishing vessels set out in Table A in Annex VII, and the TACs and by-catch limits set out in Table B in that Annex shall apply.
2. Direct fishing of shark species for purposes other than scientific research shall be prohibited. Any by-catch of shark, especially juveniles and gravid females, taken accidentally in the toothfish fishery shall be released alive.
3. Where applicable, fishing for toothfish in any small-scale research unit (SSRU) shall cease when the reported catch reaches the specified TAC, and the SSRU shall be closed to fishing for the remainder of the fishing season.
4. Fishing shall take place over a geographical and bathymetric range as large as possible, so as to obtain the information necessary to determine fishery potential and avoid an overconcentration of catch and fishing effort. However, fishing in FAO subareas 48.6, 88.1 and 88.2 shall be prohibited in depths of less than 550 m.

Article 31

Krill fishery during the 2024-2025 fishing season

1. For the purpose of Article 5a of Regulation (EC) No 601/2004, Member States intending to fish for krill (*Euphausia superba*) in the CCAMLR Convention area during the period from 1 December 2024 to 30 November 2025 shall notify the Commission thereof no later than 1 May 2024, using the form in Part B of the Appendix to Annex VII.

⁽⁴¹⁾ Council Regulation (EC) No 601/2004 of 22 March 2004 laying down certain control measures applicable to fishing activities in the area covered by the Convention on the conservation of Antarctic marine living resources and repealing Regulations (EEC) No 3943/90, (EC) No 66/98 and (EC) No 1721/1999 (OJ L 97, 1.4.2004, p. 16).

2. By way of derogation from the deadlines set out in Article 7(5) and (6) of Regulation (EC) No 601/2004, and on the basis of the information provided by Member States, the Commission shall submit the notifications to the CCAMLR Secretariat no later than 30 May 2024.
3. The notification referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall include the information provided for in Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 601/2004 for each fishing vessel to be authorised to participate in the krill fishery.
4. A Member State intending to fish for krill in the CCAMLR Convention area shall notify its intention to do so only in respect of authorised fishing vessels that, at the time of the notification:
 - (a) are flying its flag; or
 - (b) are flying the flag of another CCAMLR member and are expected to be flying the flag of that Member State at the time the fishery takes place.
5. Where an authorised fishing vessel notified to the CCAMLR Secretariat in accordance with paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 is prevented from participating in a krill fishery due to legitimate operational reasons or force majeure, the Member State concerned may authorise its replacement by another fishing vessel. In such a case, the Member State concerned shall immediately inform the CCAMLR Secretariat with the Commission in copy, providing:
 - (a) full details of the intended replacement fishing vessel(s), including the information provided for in Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 601/2004; and
 - (b) a comprehensive account of the reasons justifying the replacement and any relevant supporting evidence or references.

Section 5

IOTC Area of Competence

Article 32

Limitation of fishing capacity of vessels fishing in the IOTC Area of Competence

1. The maximum number of Union fishing vessels fishing for tropical tunas in the IOTC Area of Competence and the corresponding capacity in gross tonnage shall be as set out in point 1 of Annex VIII.
2. The maximum number of Union fishing vessels fishing for swordfish (*Xiphias gladius*) and albacore (*Thunnus alalunga*) in the IOTC Area of Competence and the corresponding capacity in gross tonnage shall be as set out in point 2 of Annex VIII.
3. Member States may reallocate fishing vessels assigned to one of the fisheries referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 to the other fishery, provided that they can demonstrate to the Commission that such change does not lead to an increase of fishing effort in respect of the fish stocks in question.
4. Where a transfer of capacity to the fleet of a Member State is proposed, that Member State shall ensure that fishing vessels to be transferred are on the IOTC record of authorised vessels or on the record of vessels of other RFMOs managing tuna fisheries. Fishing vessels that appear on any RFMO's list of vessels that have engaged in illegal, unregulated and unreported (IUU) fishing activities may not be transferred.
5. Member States may increase their fishing capacity beyond the ceilings referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 only within the limits set out in the development plans submitted to the IOTC.

*Article 33***Drifting FADs and supply vessels**

1. Drifting FADs shall be equipped with instrumented buoys. The use of any other buoys, such as radio buoys, shall be prohibited.
2. A purse seine vessel shall follow no more than 300 operational buoys at any time.
3. No more than 500 instrumented buoys shall be acquired annually for each purse seine vessel. No purse seine vessel shall have more than 500 instrumented buoys, both in stock and operational, at any time.
4. No more than three supply vessels shall operate in support of not less than ten purse seine vessels, all flying the flag of a Member State. This paragraph shall not apply to Member States using only one supply vessel.
5. A single purse seine vessel shall not be supported by more than one supply vessel flying the flag of a Member State at any time.
6. The Union shall not register new or additional supply vessels in the IOTC record of authorised vessels.

Section 6**SPRFMO Convention area***Article 34***Pelagic fisheries**

1. Only those Member States that have actively exercised pelagic fisheries activities in the SPRFMO Convention area in 2007, 2008 or 2009 may fish for pelagic stocks in that area in accordance with the TACs set out in Annex IH.
2. The Member States referred to in paragraph 1 may use the fishing opportunities set out in Annex IH only if they send the following information to the Commission by the fifteenth day of the following month, so that the Commission can communicate it to the SPRFMO Secretariat:
 - (a) a list of vessels actively fishing or engaged in transshipment in the SPRFMO Convention area;
 - (b) monthly catch reports.

Section 7**IATTC Convention area***Article 35***Purse seine fisheries**

1. Purse seine vessels shall not fish for yellowfin tuna (*Thunnus albacares*), bigeye tuna (*Thunnus obesus*) or skipjack tuna (*Katsuwonus pelamis*):
 - (a) either from 00.00 hours on 29 July 2024 to 24.00 hours on 8 October 2024 or from 00.00 hours on 9 November 2024 to 24.00 hours on 19 January 2025 in the area defined by the following limits:
 - the Pacific coastlines of the Americas,
 - longitude 150° W,

- latitude 40° N,
 - latitude 40° S;
- (b) from 00.00 hours on 9 October 2024 to 24.00 hours on 8 November 2024 in the area defined by the following limits:
- longitude 96° W,
 - longitude 110° W,
 - latitude 4° N,
 - latitude 3° S.
2. For each of the fishing vessels referred to in paragraph 1 and flying the flag of a Member State, that flag Member State shall inform the Commission before 1 April 2024 which of the closure periods referred to in paragraph 1, point (a), the fishing vessel has selected.
3. Purse seine vessels fishing for tuna in the IATTC Convention area shall retain on board and then tranship or land all yellowfin, bigeye and skipjack tuna that they catch.
4. Paragraph 3 shall not apply:
- (a) where the fish is considered unfit for human consumption for reasons other than size;
 - (b) during the final set of a trip, when there may be insufficient well space remaining to accommodate all the tuna caught in that set.

Article 36

Drifting FADs

1. A purse seine vessel shall have no more than 400 FADs active at any time in the IATTC Convention area. A FAD shall be considered active when it is deployed at sea, starts transmitting its location and is being tracked by the vessel, its owner or operator. A FAD shall be activated only on board a purse seine vessel.
2. During the 15 days before the start of the closure period selected in accordance with Article 35(1), point (a), a purse seine vessel shall, in the IATTC Convention area:
- (a) refrain from deploying FADs;
 - (b) recover the same number of FADs as initially deployed.

Article 37

Catch limits for bigeye tuna in longline fisheries

The total annual catches of bigeye tuna in the IATTC Convention area by each Member State's longline vessels are set out in Annex II.

Article 38

Prohibition of fishing for oceanic whitetip sharks

1. It shall be prohibited to fish for oceanic whitetip sharks (*Carcharhinus longimanus*) in the IATTC Convention area and to retain on board, tranship, land, store, offer for sale or sell any part or whole carcass of oceanic whitetip sharks caught in that area.
2. When accidentally caught, specimens of oceanic whitetip sharks shall not be harmed and shall be promptly released by fishing vessel operators.
3. Fishing vessel operators shall record the number of releases with indication of status (dead or alive) and report that information to the Member State of which they are nationals. Member States shall transmit that information collected during 2023 to the Commission by 31 January 2024.

Article 39

Prohibition of fishing for mobulid rays

Union fishing vessels in the IATTC Convention area shall not fish for mobulid rays (Mobulidae family, including the genera *Manta* and *Mobula*) and shall not retain on board, tranship, land, store, offer for sale or sell any part or whole carcass of mobulid rays caught in that area. As soon as they notice that mobulid rays have been caught, they shall promptly release them, where possible alive and unharmed.

Section 8**SEAFO Convention area**

Article 40

Prohibition of fishing for deep-water sharks

Directed fishing for the following deep-water sharks in the SEAFO Convention area shall be prohibited:

- (a) ghost catshark (*Apristurus manis*);
- (b) blurred smooth lanternshark (*Etmopterus bigelowi*);
- (c) shorttail lanternshark (*Etmopterus brachyurus*);
- (d) great lanternshark (*Etmopterus princeps*);
- (e) smooth lanternshark (*Etmopterus pusillus*);
- (f) skates (Rajidae);
- (g) velvet dogfish (*Scymnodon squamulosus*);
- (h) sharks of the Selachimorpha super-order;
- (i) picked dogfish (*Squalus acanthias*).

Section 9**WCPFC Convention area**

Article 41

Conditions for bigeye tuna, yellowfin tuna, skipjack tuna and South Pacific albacore fisheries

1. Member States shall ensure that no more than 403 fishing days are allocated to purse seine vessels fishing for bigeye tuna (*Thunnus obesus*), yellowfin tuna (*Thunnus albacares*) and skipjack tuna (*Katsuwonus pelamis*) in the high seas areas between 20° N and 20° S of the WCPFC Convention area.
2. Union fishing vessels shall not target South Pacific albacore (*Thunnus alalunga*) in the WCPFC Convention area south of 20° S.
3. The number of Union fishing vessels authorised to fish for swordfish (*Xiphias gladius*) in areas south of 20° S of the WCPFC Convention area shall not exceed the limits set out in Annex IX, Table 1.
4. The maximum number of Union purse seine vessels authorised to fish for tropical tuna in the high seas areas between 20° N and 20° S of the WCPFC Convention area shall not exceed the limits set out in Annex IX, Table 2.

Article 42

Management of fishing with FADs

1. In the part of the WCPFC Convention area located between 20° N and 20° S, purse seine vessels shall not deploy, service or set nets on FADs between 00.00 hours on 1 July 2024 and 24.00 hours on 30 September 2024.
2. In addition to the prohibition in paragraph 1, it shall be prohibited to set nets on FADs on the high seas of the WCPFC Convention area located between 20° N and 20° S for two additional months, either from 00.00 hours on 1 April 2024 to 24.00 hours on 31 May 2024, or from 00.00 hours on 1 November 2024 to 24.00 hours on 31 December 2024.
3. Each Member State concerned shall determine which of the closure periods referred to in paragraph 2 shall apply to purse seine vessels flying its flag. The Member States shall inform the Commission by 15 February 2024 of the closure period selected. The Commission shall notify the secretariat of the WCPFC of the closure periods selected by Member States before 1 March 2024.
4. Each Member State shall ensure that none of its purse seine vessels deploy at sea, at any time, more than 350 FADs with activated instrumented buoys. Buoys shall be activated exclusively on board a purse seine vessel.

Article 43

Maximum number of Union fishing vessels authorised to fish for swordfish

The maximum number of Union fishing vessels authorised to fish for swordfish (*Xiphias gladius*) in areas of the WCPFC Convention area south of 20° S shall be as set out in Annex IX.

Article 44

Catch limits for swordfish in longline fisheries south of 20° S

Member States shall ensure that catches of swordfish (*Xiphias gladius*) south of 20° S by longliners in 2024 do not exceed the limit set out in table 2 of Annex IG. They shall also ensure that this does not result in a shift of the fishing effort for swordfish to the area north of 20° S.

Section 10

Bering Sea

Article 45

Prohibition on fishing for pollock in the high seas of the Bering Sea

It shall be prohibited to fish for pollock (*Gadus chalcogrammus*) in the high seas of the Bering Sea.

Section 11

SIOFA Agreement Area

Article 46

Limits to bottom fishing

Member States shall ensure that fishing vessels flying their flag that fish in the SIOFA Agreement Area:

- (a) limit their annual bottom fishing effort to the level set out in Annex X;
- (b) do not bottom fish except using demersal longlines; and
- (c) do not fish in the interim protected areas of Atlantis Bank, Coral, Fools Flat, Middle of What and Walter's Shoal, as defined in Annex IK, except with demersal longlines and on condition of having a scientific observer on board at all times while fishing in those areas.

Article 47

Toothfish fishery measures

Member States shall ensure that fishing vessels flying their flag that fish for toothfish (*Dissostichus* spp.) in the SIOFA Agreement Area:

- (a) do not fish in depths shallower than 500 metres;
- (b) have at least one scientific observer on board at all times who shall have a target of observing 25 % of hooks hauled per line over the duration of the fishing deployment; and
- (c) tag and release toothfish specimens at a rate of at least five fish per tonne of green weight caught. Once 30 or more toothfish have been caught a minimum overlap statistic of at least 60 % shall apply for tag release.

Article 48

Prohibition of targeting deep-water sharks

Directed fishing for the following deep-water sharks in the SIOFA Agreement Area shall be prohibited:

- (a) Portuguese dogfish (*Centroscymnus coelolepis*), except in the context of the by-catch allowance as set out in Annex IK;
- (b) birdbeak dogfish (*Deania calceus*);
- (c) gulper shark (*Centrophorus granulosus*);
- (d) kitefin shark (*Dalatias licha*);
- (e) Bach's catshark (*Bythaelurus bachi*);
- (f) dark-mouth chimaera (*Chimaera buccanigella*);
- (g) the Falkor chimaera (*Chimaera didierae*);
- (h) seafarer's ghostshark (*Chimaera willwatchi*);
- (i) longnose velvet dogfish (*Centroselachus crepidater*);
- (j) plunket shark (*Scymnodon plunketi*);
- (k) velvet dogfish (*Zameus squamulosus*);
- (l) whitecheek lanternshark (*Etmopterus alphas*);

- (m) smallbelly catshark (*Apristurus indicus*);
- (n) Pacific longnose chimaera (*Harriotta raleighana*);
- (o) narrowhead catshark (*Bythaelurus tenuicephalus*);
- (p) frilled shark (*Chlamydoselachus anguineus*);
- (q) bigeyed six-gill shark (*Hexanchus nakamurai*);
- (r) smooth lanternshark (*Etmopterus pusillus*);
- (s) southern sleeper shark (*Somniosus antarcticus*);
- (t) goblin shark (*Mitsukurina owstoni*);
- (u) blue-eye lanternshark (*Etmopterus viator*);
- (v) blurred smooth lanternshark (*Etmopterus bigelowi*);
- (w) leafscale gulper shark (*Centrophorus squamosus*);
- (x) little gulper shark (*Centrophorus uyato*);
- (y) shortspine spurdog (*Squalus mitsukurii*);
- (z) longsnout dogfish (*Deania quadrispinosa*);
- (za) arrowhead dogfish (*Deania profundorum*);
- (zb) Cristina's skate (*Bathyraja tunae*);
- (zc) paddlenose chimaera (*Rhinochimaera africana*).

TITLE III

FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIRD COUNTRY FISHING VESSELS IN UNION WATERS

Article 49

Fishing vessels flying the flag of Norway or of the Faroe Islands

Fishing vessels flying the flag of Norway or of the Faroe Islands may be authorised by the Commission to fish in Union waters subject to the TACs set out in Annex I, and subject to the conditions provided for in this Regulation, in Title III of Regulation (EU) 2017/2403 and in delegated acts adopted by the Commission on the basis of that Regulation.

Article 50

Fishing vessels flying the flag of the United Kingdom, registered in the United Kingdom, the Bailiwick of Guernsey, the Bailiwick of Jersey or the Isle of Man, and licensed by a United Kingdom fisheries administration

Fishing vessels flying the flag of the United Kingdom, registered in the United Kingdom, the Bailiwick of Guernsey, the Bailiwick of Jersey or the Isle of Man, and licensed by a fisheries administration of the United Kingdom may be authorised by the Commission to fish in Union waters subject to the TACs set out in Annex I, and subject to the conditions provided for in this Regulation, in Regulation (EU) 2017/2403 and in delegated acts adopted by the Commission on the basis of that Regulation.

Article 51

Quota transfers and exchanges with the United Kingdom

1. Any quota transfer or exchange between the Union and the United Kingdom shall take place in accordance with this Article.

2. A Member State intending to transfer or exchange quotas with the United Kingdom may discuss with the United Kingdom an outline of the quota transfer or exchange. The Member State concerned shall notify the Commission of the outline.

3. If the Commission endorses an outline of the quota transfer or exchange referred to in paragraph 2 notified by the Member State concerned, it shall express, without undue delay, the consent to be bound by such quota transfer or exchange. The Commission shall notify the Member States and the United Kingdom of the agreed quota transfer or exchange.

4. The fishing opportunities received from or transferred to the United Kingdom under the agreed quota transfer or exchange shall be deemed to be quotas added to, or deducted from, the allocation of the Member State concerned as of the moment when the quota transfer or exchange has been notified in accordance with paragraph 3. Such transfers and exchanges shall not affect the distribution key for allocating fishing opportunities among Member States in accordance with the principle of relative stability of fishing activities.

Article 52

Fishing vessels flying the flag of Venezuela

Fishing vessels flying the flag of Venezuela shall be subject to the conditions provided for in this Regulation, in Title III of Regulation (EU) 2017/2403 and in delegated acts adopted by the Commission on the basis of that Regulation.

Article 53

Fishing authorisations

The maximum number of fishing authorisations for third country fishing vessels operating in Union waters shall be as set out in Part B of Annex V.

Article 54

Conditions for landing catches and by-catches

The conditions laid down in Article 7 shall apply to the catches and by-catches of third country fishing vessels fishing under the fishing authorisations referred to in Article 53.

Article 55

Prohibited species

1. Third country fishing vessels shall not fish for, retain on board, tranship or land the following species where they are found in Union waters:

- (a) starry ray (*Amblyraja radiata*) in Union waters of ICES divisions 3a and 7d; and Union waters of ICES subarea 4;
- (b) common skate (*Dipturus batis*) complex (*Dipturus* cf. *flossada* and *Dipturus* cf. *intermedia*) in Union waters of ICES subareas 3, 4 and 6 to 10;
- (c) tope shark (*Galeorhinus galeus*) when taken with longlines in Union waters of ICES subareas 4 and 6 to 8;
- (d) kitefin shark (*Dalatias licha*), birdbeak dogfish (*Deania calceus*), leafscale gulper shark (*Centrophorus squamosus*), great lanternshark (*Etmopterus princeps*) and Portuguese dogfish (*Centroscymnus coelolepis*) in Union waters of ICES subarea 4;
- (e) porbeagle (*Lamna nasus*) in all Union waters;
- (f) thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) in Union waters of ICES division 3a;
- (g) undulate ray (*Raja undulata*) in Union waters of ICES subareas 6 and 10;

- (h) common guitarfish (*Rhinobatos rhinobatos*) in Union waters of the Mediterranean;
- (i) whale shark (*Rhincodon typus*) in all Union waters.

2. When accidentally caught, specimens of the species referred to in paragraph 1 shall not be harmed and shall be promptly released.

TITLE IV

FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 56

Amendments to Regulation (EU) 2023/194

1. Annex IA, Part B, of Regulation (EU) 2023/194 is amended in accordance with Annex XI, point 2, to this Regulation.
2. Annex IA, Part F, of Regulation (EU) 2023/194 is amended in accordance with Annex XI, point 1, of this Regulation.

Article 57

Committee procedure

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Committee for Fisheries and Aquaculture established by Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013. That committee shall be a committee within the meaning of Regulation (EU) No 182/2011.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, Article 5 of Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 shall apply.

Article 58

Transitional provisions

Articles 9 to 13, 15 to 20, 24, 27, 38, 39, 40, 45, 48 and 55 shall continue to apply, *mutatis mutandis*, in 2025 until the entry into force of the Regulation fixing the fishing opportunities for 2025.

Article 59

Entry into force and application

This Regulation shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

It shall apply from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024.

However:

- (a) Article 13(1) and (6) shall apply from 1 January 2024 to 31 March 2025;
- (b) Article 13(2) to (5) shall apply from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025;
- (c) Articles 17 and 18 shall cease to apply on the date on which delegated acts introducing corresponding measures become applicable;
- (d) Article 23 shall apply from 1 January 2024 to 31 January 2025;
- (e) Articles 30 and Annex VII shall apply from 1 December 2023 to 30 November 2024;

- (f) Article 28(2) shall apply from 17 December 2023 to 31 December 2023;
- (g) Article 35(1), point (a), shall apply from 1 January 2024 to 19 January 2025;
- (h) Article 56(2) shall apply from 1 January 2023;
- (i) Annex I shall also apply for the year 2025 and 2026, where specified in that Annex;
- (j) Annex IK shall apply from 1 December 2023 to 30 November 2024, where specified in that Annex;
- (k) Annex II shall apply from 1 February 2024 to 31 January 2025;
- (l) the maximum size for picked dogfish (DGS/03A-C., DGS/2AC4-C and DGS/15X14) shall cease to apply on the date on which a delegated act introducing corresponding measures and regulating the treatment of catches of those stocks over 100 cm becomes applicable;
- (m) catch and effort limits fixed by this Regulation for the year 2024 and, where specified in this Regulation, also for the years 2025 and 2026, shall continue to apply in 2025, and where relevant in 2026 and 2027, exclusively for the purposes of:
 - (i) exchanges pursuant to Article 16(8) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013;
 - (ii) deductions and reallocations pursuant to Article 37 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009;
 - (iii) quantities withheld in accordance with Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 and Article 15(9) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013; and
 - (iv) deductions pursuant to Articles 105, 106 and 107 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 10 January 2024.

For the Council
The President
H. LAHBIB

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*ANNEX I***TACs APPLICABLE TO UNION FISHING VESSELS
IN AREAS WHERE TACs EXIST BY SPECIES AND BY AREA**

The tables in the Annexes set out the TACs and quotas (in tonnes live weight, except where otherwise specified) by stock, and, where appropriate, the conditions functionally linked thereto.

All fishing opportunities set out in the Annexes shall be subject to the rules set out in Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009, and in particular Articles 33 and 34 thereof.

The references to fishing zones in the Annexes are references to ICES zones, unless otherwise specified. Within each area, fish stocks are referred to according to the alphabetical order of the scientific names of the species. Only scientific names identify species for regulatory purposes.

For the purposes of this Regulation, a comparative table of scientific names and common names of the species listed in the Annexes to this Regulation is provided below, for ease of reference.

Annexes IA to IL are part of Annex I.

Comparative table of scientific names and common names of the species listed in the Annexes to this Regulation

Scientific name	Alpha-3 code	Common name
<i>Ammodytes</i> spp.	SAN	Sandeels
<i>Aphanopus carbo</i>	BSF	Black scabbardfish
<i>Argentina silus</i>	ARU	Greater silver smelt
<i>Beryx</i> spp.	ALF	Alfonsinos
<i>Brosme brosme</i>	USK	Tusk
<i>Caproidae</i>	BOR	Boarfishes
<i>Centroscymnus coelolepis</i>	CYO	Portuguese dogfish
<i>Chaceon</i> spp.	GER	Deep sea red crabs
<i>Chionoecetes</i> spp.	PCR	Snow crabs
<i>Clupea harengus</i>	HER	Herring
<i>Coryphaenoides rupestris</i>	RNG	Roundnose grenadier
<i>Dissostichus eleginoides</i>	TOP	Patagonian toothfish
<i>Dissostichus mawsoni</i>	TOA	Antarctic toothfish
<i>Dissostichus</i> spp.	TOT	Toothfishes
<i>Engraulis encrasicolus</i>	ANE	Anchovy
<i>Euphausia superba</i>	KRI	Krill
<i>Gadus morhua</i>	COD	Cod
<i>Glyptocephalus cynoglossus</i>	WIT	Witch flounder
<i>Hippoglossoides platessoides</i>	PLA	American plaice
<i>Hoplostethus atlanticus</i>	ORY	Orange roughy
<i>Illex illecebrosus</i>	SQI	Shortfin squid
<i>Lepidorhombus</i> spp.	LEZ	Megrims
<i>Leucoraja fullonica</i>	RJF	Shagreen ray
<i>Leucoraja naevus</i>	RJN	Cuckoo ray

Scientific name	Alpha-3 code	Common name
<i>Limanda ferruginea</i>	YEL	Yellowtail flounder
<i>Lophiidae</i>	ANF	Anglerfishes
<i>Macrourus</i> spp.	GRV	Grenadiers
<i>Macrourus berglax</i>	RHG	Roughhead grenadier
<i>Makaira nigricans</i>	BUM	Blue marlin
<i>Mallotus villosus</i>	CAP	Capelin
<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	HAD	Haddock
<i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	WHG	Whiting
<i>Merluccius merluccius</i>	HKE	Hake
<i>Micromesistius poutassou</i>	WHB	Blue whiting
<i>Microstomus kitt</i>	LEM	Lemon sole
<i>Molva dypterygia</i>	BLI	Blue ling
<i>Molva molva</i>	LIN	Ling
<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	NEP	Norway lobster
<i>Pagellus bogaraveo</i>	SBR	Red seabream
<i>Pandalus borealis</i>	PRA	Northern prawn
<i>Penaeus</i> spp.	PEN	'Penaeus' shrimps
<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	PLE	Plaice
<i>Pleuronectiformes</i>	FLX	Flatfishes
<i>Pollachius pollachius</i>	POL	Pollack
<i>Pollachius virens</i>	POK	Saithe
<i>Pseudopentaceros</i> spp.	EDW	Pelagic armourheads
<i>Raja brachyura</i>	RJH	Blonde ray
<i>Leucoraja circularis</i>	RJI	Sandy ray
<i>Raja clavata</i>	RJC	Thornback ray
<i>Raja microocellata</i>	RJE	Small-eyed ray

Scientific name	Alpha-3 code	Common name
<i>Raja montagui</i>	RJM	Spotted ray
<i>Raja undulata</i>	RJU	Undulate ray
<i>Rajiformes</i>	SRX	Skates and rays
<i>Reinhardtius hippoglossoides</i>	GHL	Greenland halibut
<i>Rostroraja alba</i>	RJA	White skate
<i>Scomber scombrus</i>	MAC	Mackerel
<i>Scophthalmus maximus</i>	TUR	Turbot
<i>Scophthalmus rhombus</i>	BLL	Brill
<i>Sebastes</i> spp.	RED	Redfishes
<i>Solea solea</i>	SOL	Common sole
<i>Solea</i> spp.	SOO	Sole
<i>Sprattus sprattus</i>	SPR	Sprat
<i>Squalus acanthias</i>	DGS	Picked dogfish
<i>Tetrapturus albidus</i>	WHM	White marlin
<i>Thunnus alalunga</i>	ALB	Albacore
<i>Thunnus maccoyii</i>	SBF	Southern bluefin tuna
<i>Thunnus obesus</i>	BET	Bigeye tuna
<i>Thunnus thynnus</i>	BFT	Bluefin tuna
<i>Trachurus murphyi</i>	CJM	Jack mackerel
<i>Trachurus</i> spp.	JAX	Horse mackerel
<i>Trisopterus esmarkii</i>	NOP	Norway pout
<i>Urophycis tenuis</i>	HKW	White hake
<i>Xiphias gladius</i>	SWO	Swordfish

ANNEX IA

SKAGERRAK, KATTEGAT, ICES SUBAREAS 1 to 10, 12 AND 14,
UNION WATERS OF CECAF, FRENCH GUIANA WATERS

PART A

Autonomous Union stocks

Table 1

Species:	Anchovy <i>Engraulis encrasicolus</i>	Zone:	8 (ANE/08.)
Spain	29 700	Analytical TAC	
France	3 300		
Union	33 000		
TAC	33 000		

Table 2

Species:	Anchovy <i>Engraulis encrasicolus</i>	Zone:	9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (ANE/9/3411)
Spain	0 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Portugal	0 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	0 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	0 ⁽¹⁾		

⁽¹⁾ This quota may only be fished from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025.

Table 3

Species:	Cod <i>Gadus morhua</i>	Zone:	Kattegat (COD/03AS.)
Denmark	53,68 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Germany	1,11 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Sweden	32,21 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Union	87 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
TAC	87 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		

⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.

⁽²⁾ In addition to these quotas, a Member State may grant to fishing vessels flying its flag and participating in trials on remote electronic monitoring an additional allocation, within an overall limit of 30 % of the quota allocated to that Member State. Each fishing vessel participating in trials on remote electronic monitoring shall take no more than 300 kg. Catches from this additional allocation shall be reported separately (COD/03AS_REM). This shall be without prejudice to the relative stability.

Table 4

Species:	Megrims <i>Lepidorhombus spp.</i>	Zone:	8c, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (LEZ/8C3411)
Spain	3 210	Analytical TAC	
France	160	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Portugal	107		
Union	3 477		
TAC	3 622		

Table 5

Species:	Anglerfishes <i>Lophiidae</i>	Zone:	8c, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (ANF/8C3411)
Spain	3 715	Analytical TAC	
France	4	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Portugal	739		
Union	4 458		
TAC	4 650		

Table 6

Species:	Whiting <i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Zone:	8 (WHG/08.)
Year	Each 2024 and 2025		
Spain	539	Analytical TAC	
France	808		
Union	1 347		
TAC	1 347		

Table 7

Species:	Hake <i>Merluccius merluccius</i>	Zone:	8c, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (HKE/8C3411)
Spain	10 921	Analytical TAC	
France	1 048	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Portugal	5 096		
Union	17 065		
TAC	17 445		

Table 8

Species:	Norway lobster <i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Zone:	3a (NEP/03A.)
Denmark	5 763	Analytical TAC	
Germany	17		
Sweden	2 062		
Union	7 842		
TAC	8 410		

Table 9

Species:	Norway lobster <i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Zone:	8a, 8b, 8d and 8e (NEP/8ABDE.)
Spain	239	Analytical TAC	
France	3 738		
Union	3 977		
TAC	5 786		

Table 10

Species:	Norway lobster <i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Zone:	8c, functional unit 25 (NEP/8CU25)
Year	Each 2024 and 2025		
Spain	0	Analytical TAC	
France	0	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	0	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	0		

Table 11

Species:	Norway lobster <i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Zone:	8c, functional unit 31 (NEP/8CU31)
Spain	12,40	Analytical TAC	
France	0,00		
Union	12,40		
TAC	12,40		

Table 12

Species:	Norway lobster <i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Zone:	9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (NEP/9/3411)
Spain	60 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Portugal	179 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	239 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
TAC	239 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		

⁽¹⁾ Shall not be taken in functional units 26 and 27 of division 9a.

⁽²⁾ Within the limit of this quota, no more than the following amount may be taken in functional unit 30 of division 9a (NEP/*9U30):

32

Table 13

Species:	'Penaeus' shrimps <i>Penaeus</i> spp.	Zone:	French Guiana waters (PEN/FGU.)
France	To be established ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Union	To be established ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Article 6 of this Regulation applies	
TAC	To be established ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		

⁽¹⁾ Fishing for shrimps *Penaeus subtilis* and *Penaeus brasiliensis* is prohibited in waters less than 30 metres deep.

⁽²⁾ Fixed at the same quantity as the quota of France.

Table 14

Species:	Plaice <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Zone:	Kattegat (PLE/03AS.)
Denmark	1 116	Analytical TAC	
Germany	13	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Sweden	126		
Union	1 255		
TAC	2 349		

Table 15

Species:	Plaice <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Zone:	7b and 7c (PLE/7BC.)
Year	Each 2024, 2025 and 2026		
France	2	Precautionary TAC	
Ireland	13		
Union	15		
TAC	15		

Table 16

Species:	Plaice <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Zone:	8, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (PLE/8/3411)
Year	Each 2024 and 2025		
Spain	21	Precautionary TAC	
France	82		
Portugal	21		
Union	124		
TAC	124		

Table 17

Species:	Pollack <i>Pollachius pollachius</i>	Zone:	8a, 8b, 8d and 8e (POL/8ABDE.)
Spain	85 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
France	415 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	500 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	500 ⁽¹⁾		

⁽¹⁾ This quota may only be fished from 1 January 2024 to 30 June 2024.

Table 18

Species:	Pollack <i>Pollachius pollachius</i>	Zone:	8c (POL/08C.)
Year	Each 2024 and 2025		
Spain	70	Analytical TAC	
France	8		
Union	78		
TAC	78		

Table 19

Species:	Pollack <i>Pollachius pollachius</i>	Zone:	9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (POL/9/3411)
Year	Each 2024 and 2025		
Spain	93 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Portugal	3 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Union	96 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	96 ⁽²⁾		

⁽¹⁾ Special condition: of which up to 100 % may be fished in 8c (POL/*08C.).

⁽²⁾ In addition to this TAC, Portugal may fish quantities of pollack not exceeding 98 tonnes (POL/93411P).

Table 20

Species:	Common sole <i>Solea solea</i>	Zone:	3a; Union waters of subdivisions 22-24 (SOL/3ABC24)
Denmark	275	Analytical TAC	
Germany	16 ⁽¹⁾		
Netherlands	26 ⁽¹⁾		
Sweden	10		
Union	327		
TAC	327		

⁽¹⁾ This quota may only be fished in Union waters of 3a and of subdivisions 22-24.

Table 21

Species:	Common sole <i>Solea solea</i>	Zone:	7b and 7c (SOL/7BC.)
Year	Each 2024, 2025 and 2026		
France	1	Precautionary TAC	
Ireland	14		
Union	15		
TAC	15		

Table 22

Species:	Common sole <i>Solea solea</i>	Zone:	8a and 8b (SOL/8AB.)
Belgium	30	Analytical TAC	
Spain	5		
France	2 231		
Netherlands	167		
Union	2 433		
TAC	2 489		

Table 23

Species:	Sole <i>Solea</i> spp.	Zone:	8c, 8d, 8e, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (SOO/8CDE34)
Year	Each 2024 and 2025		
Spain	204		Precautionary TAC
Portugal	337		
Union	541 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	541 ⁽¹⁾		
⁽¹⁾	Within the limits of these quotas, no more than the following quantity of common sole (<i>Solea solea</i>) shall be taken (SOL/8CDE34):		
	209		

Table 24

Species:	Horse mackerel <i>Trachurus</i> spp.	Zone:	9 (JAX/09.)
Spain	43 032 ⁽¹⁾		Analytical TAC
Portugal	123 295 ⁽¹⁾		Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies
Union	166 327		
TAC	173 873		
⁽¹⁾	Special condition: up to 0 % of this quota may be fished in 8c (JAX/*08C.).		

Table 25

Species:	Horse mackerel <i>Trachurus</i> spp.	Zone:	10; Union waters of CECAF(1) (JAX/X34PRT)
Portugal	To be established	Precautionary TAC	
Union	To be established ⁽²⁾	Article 6 of this Regulation applies	
TAC	To be established ⁽²⁾		
⁽¹⁾	Waters adjacent to the Azores.		
⁽²⁾	Fixed at the same quantity as the quota of Portugal.		

Table 26

Species:	Horse mackerel <i>Trachurus</i> spp.	Zone:	Union waters of CECAF ⁽¹⁾ (JAX/341PRT)
Portugal	To be established	Precautionary TAC	
Union	To be established ⁽²⁾	Article 6 of this Regulation applies	
TAC	To be established ⁽²⁾		
⁽¹⁾	Waters adjacent to Madeira.		
⁽²⁾	Fixed at the same quantity as the quota of Portugal.		

Table 27

Species:	Horse mackerel <i>Trachurus</i> spp.	Zone:	Union waters of CECAF ⁽¹⁾ (JAX/341SPN)
Spain	To be established	Precautionary TAC	
Union	To be established ⁽²⁾	Article 6 of this Regulation applies	
TAC	To be established ⁽²⁾		
⁽¹⁾	Waters adjacent to the Canary Islands.		
⁽²⁾	Fixed at the same quantity as the quota of Spain.		

PART B
Shared stocks

Table 1

Species: Sandeel and associated by-catches <i>Ammodytes</i> spp.	Zone: United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a; Union waters of 3a
Denmark	0 ⁽¹⁾ Analytical TAC
Germany	0 ⁽¹⁾ Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Sweden	0 ⁽¹⁾ Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Union	0
United Kingdom	0
TAC	0

⁽¹⁾ Up to 2 % of the quota may consist of by-catches of whiting and mackerel (OT1/*2A3A4X). By-catches of whiting and mackerel counted against the quota pursuant to this provision and by-catches of species counted against the quota pursuant to Article 15(8) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 shall, together, not exceed 9 % of the quota.

Special condition: within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following sandeel management areas, as defined in Annex III:

Zone: United Kingdom and Union waters of sandeel management areas

	1r	2r	3r	4	5r	6	7r
	(SAN/234_1R) ⁽¹⁾	(SAN/234_2R) ⁽¹⁾	(SAN/234_3R) ⁽¹⁾	(SAN/234_4) ⁽¹⁾	(SAN/234_5R) ⁽¹⁾	(SAN/234_6) ⁽¹⁾	(SAN/234_7R) ⁽¹⁾
Denmark	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Germany	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sweden	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Union	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
United Kingdom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

⁽¹⁾ Up to 10 % of this quota can be banked and used in the following year only within this management area.

Table 2

Species:	Greater silver smelt <i>Argentina silus</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and international waters of 1 and 2 (ARU/1/2.)
Germany	14	Precautionary TAC	
France	5		
Netherlands	12		
Union	31		
United Kingdom	24		
TAC	55		

Table 3

Species:	Greater silver smelt <i>Argentina silus</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; Union waters of 3a (ARU/3A4-C)
Denmark	662	Precautionary TAC	
Germany	7		
France	5		
Ireland	5		
Netherlands	31		
Sweden	26		
Union	736		
United Kingdom	12		
TAC	748		

Table 4

Species:	Greater silver smelt <i>Argentina silus</i>	Zone:	6 and 7; United Kingdom and international waters of 5 (ARU/567.)
Germany	640	Precautionary TAC	
France	13		
Ireland	593		
Netherlands	6 683		
Union	7 929		
United Kingdom	469		
TAC	8 398		

Table 5

Species:	Tusk <i>Brosme brosme</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and international waters of 1, 2 and 14 (USK/1214EI)
Germany	4,5 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
France	4,5 ⁽¹⁾		
Others	2 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Union	11 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	5 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	16 ⁽¹⁾		

⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this TAC.

⁽²⁾ Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (USK/1214EI_AMS).

Table 6

Species:	Tusk <i>Brosme brosme</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 (USK/04-C.)
Denmark	56 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Germany	17 ⁽¹⁾		
France	39 ⁽¹⁾		
Sweden	6 ⁽¹⁾		
Others	6 ⁽²⁾		
Union	124 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	84 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	208		

⁽¹⁾ Special condition: of which up to 25 % may be fished in United Kingdom, Union and international waters of 6a north of 58°30'N (USK/*6AN58).

⁽²⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (USK/04-C_AMS).

Table 7

Species:	Tusk <i>Brosme brosme</i>	Zone:	6 and 7; United Kingdom and international waters of 5 (USK/567EI.)
Germany	95 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Spain	334 ⁽¹⁾		
France	3 962 ⁽¹⁾		
Ireland	382 ⁽¹⁾		
Others	95 ⁽²⁾		
Union	4 868 ⁽¹⁾		
Norway	0 ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾		
United Kingdom	2 072 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	6 940		

⁽¹⁾ Special condition: of which up to 10 % may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 (USK/*04-C.).

⁽²⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (USK/567EI_AMS).

⁽³⁾ Special condition: of which an incidental catch of other species of 25 % per vessel, at any moment, is authorised in 6 and 7 and in United Kingdom and international waters of 5. However, this percentage may be exceeded in the first 24 hours following the beginning of the fishing on a specific ground. The total incidental catch of other species in 6 and 7 and in United Kingdom and international waters of 5 shall not exceed the amount (OTH/*5B67-) given below. By-catch of cod under this provision in area 6a may not be more than 5 %.

0

⁽⁴⁾ Including ling. The following quotas for Norway shall only be fished with longlines in 6 and 7 and in United Kingdom and international waters of 5:

Ling (LIN/*5B67-)	0
Tusk (USK/*5B67-)	0

⁽⁵⁾ The tusk and ling quotas for Norway are interchangeable up to the following amount:

0

Table 8

Species:	Tusk <i>Brosme brosme</i>	Zone:	Norwegian waters of 4 (USK/04-N.)
Belgium	0	Precautionary TAC	
Denmark	50	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Germany	0		
France	0		
Netherlands	0		
Union	50		
TAC	Not relevant		

Table 9

Species:	Boarfishes <i>Caproidae</i>	Zone:	6, 7 and 8 (BOR/678-)
Denmark	6 711	Precautionary TAC	
Ireland	18 899		
Union	25 610		
United Kingdom	1 739		
TAC	27 349		

Table 10

Species:	Herring ⁽¹⁾ <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone:	3a (HER/03A.)
Denmark	12 498	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	Analytical TAC
Germany	200	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Sweden	13 073	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Union	25 771	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	
Norway	3 964	⁽²⁾	
TAC	29 735		

⁽¹⁾ Catches of herring taken in fisheries using nets with mesh sizes equal to or larger than 32 mm.

⁽²⁾ Only the following amounts of the herring stocks HER/03A. (HER/*03A.) and HER/03A-BC (HER/*03A-BC) may be fished in 3a:

Denmark	554
Germany	8
Sweden	407
Union	969
Norway	167

⁽³⁾ Special condition: up to 50 % of this amount may be fished in United Kingdom waters of 4 (HER/*4-UK), and 50 % may be fished in Union waters of 4b (HER/*4B-EU).

Table 11

Species:	Herring ⁽¹⁾ <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone:	Union, United Kingdom and Norwegian waters of 4 north of 53°30'N (HER/4AB.)
Denmark	77 892	Analytical TAC	
Germany	48 595	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
France	21 783		
Netherlands	56 422		
Sweden	4 765		
Union	209 457		
Faroe Islands	0		
Norway	147 994 ⁽²⁾		
United Kingdom	96 736		
TAC	510 323		
⁽¹⁾ Catches of herring taken in fisheries using nets with mesh sizes equal to or larger than 32 mm.			
⁽²⁾ Catches taken within this quota are to be deducted from Norway's share of the TAC. Within the limit of this quota, no more than the following quantity may be taken in Union waters of 4b (HER/*04B-C):			
2 700			
Special condition: within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken by the Union in Norwegian waters south of 62°N:			
Norwegian waters south of 62°N (HER/*4N-S62)			
Union	2 700		

Table 12

Species:	Herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone:	Norwegian waters south of 62°N (HER/4N-S62)
Sweden	1 128 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Union	1 128	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant		
⁽¹⁾ By-catches of cod, haddock, pollack, whiting and saithe are to be counted against the quota for these species.			

Table 13

Species:	Herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone:	3a (HER/03A-BC)
Denmark	5 692 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	Analytical TAC	
Germany	51 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Sweden	916 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾		
Union	6 659 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾		
TAC	6 659 ⁽²⁾		

⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for catches of herring taken as by-catch in fisheries using nets with mesh sizes smaller than 32 mm.

⁽²⁾ Only the following amounts of the herring stocks HER/03A, (HER/*03A) and HER/03A-BC (HER/*03A-BC) may be fished in 3a:

Denmark	554
Germany	8
Sweden	407
Union	969

⁽³⁾ Special condition: up to 100 % of this quota may be fished in Union waters of 4 (HER/*4-EU-BC).

Table 14

Species:	Herring ⁽¹⁾ <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone:	4 and 7d; United Kingdom waters of 2a (HER/2A47DX)
Belgium	38	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	7 388	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	38		
France	38		
Netherlands	38		
Sweden	36		
Union	7 576		
United Kingdom	140		
TAC	7 716		

⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for catches of herring taken as by-catch in fisheries using nets with mesh sizes smaller than 32 mm.

Table 15

Species:	Herring ⁽¹⁾ <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone:	4c and 7d ⁽²⁾ (HER/4CXB7D)
Belgium	9 170 ⁽³⁾	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	1 223 ⁽³⁾	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	763 ⁽³⁾		
France	13 741 ⁽³⁾		
Netherlands	24 430 ⁽³⁾		
Union	49 327 ⁽³⁾		
United Kingdom	6 809 ⁽³⁾		
TAC	510 323		

⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for catches of herring taken in fisheries using nets with mesh sizes equal to or larger than 32 mm.

⁽²⁾ Except Blackwater stock, namely the herring stock in the maritime region of the Thames estuary within a zone delimited by a rhumb line running due south from Landguard Point (51°56'N, 1°19,1'E) to latitude 51°33'N and hence due west to a point on the coast of the United Kingdom.

⁽³⁾ Special condition: up to 50 % of this quota may be taken in 4b (HER/*04B.).

Table 16

Species:	Herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone:	6b and 6aN; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b ⁽¹⁾ (HER/5B6ANB)
Germany	140 ⁽²⁾	Precautionary TAC	
France	26 ⁽²⁾	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Ireland	189 ⁽²⁾		
Netherlands	140 ⁽²⁾		
Union	495 ⁽²⁾		
United Kingdom	959 ⁽²⁾		
TAC	1 454		
⁽¹⁾	Reference is to the herring stock in the part of division 6a which lies east of 7°W and north of 55°N, or west of 7°W and north of 56°N, excluding the Clyde.		
⁽²⁾	It shall be prohibited to target any herring in the part of the divisions subject to this TAC that lies between 56°N and 57°30'N, with the exception of a six nautical mile belt measured from the baseline of the United Kingdom's territorial sea.		

Table 17

Species:	Herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone:	6aS ⁽¹⁾ , 7b, 7c (HER/6AS7BC)
Ireland	2 064	Precautionary TAC	
Netherlands	206	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	2 270		
TAC	2 270		
⁽¹⁾	Reference is to the herring stock in 6a south of 56°00'N and west of 07°00'W.		

Table 18

Species:	Herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone:	7a ⁽¹⁾ (HER/07A/MM)
Ireland	218	Analytical TAC	
Union	218	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
United Kingdom	7 061		
TAC	7 279		

(1) This zone is reduced by the area bounded:

- to the north by latitude 52°30'N,
- to the south by latitude 52°00'N,
- to the west by the coast of Ireland,
- to the east by the coast of the United Kingdom.

Table 19

Species:	Herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone:	7e and 7f (HER/7EF.)
France	223	Precautionary TAC	
Union	223		
United Kingdom	223		
TAC	446		

Table 20

Species:	Herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone:	7a south of 52°30'N; 7g ⁽¹⁾ , 7h ⁽¹⁾ , 7j ⁽¹⁾ and 7k ⁽¹⁾ (HER/7G-K.)
Germany	10 ⁽²⁾	Analytical TAC	
France	54 ⁽²⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Ireland	750 ⁽²⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Netherlands	54 ⁽²⁾		
Union	868 ⁽²⁾		
United Kingdom	1 ⁽³⁾		
TAC	869		

⁽¹⁾ This zone is increased by the area bounded:

- to the north by latitude 52°30'N,
- to the south by latitude 52°00'N,
- to the west by the coast of Ireland,
- to the east by the coast of the United Kingdom.

⁽²⁾ This quota may only be allocated to vessels participating in the sentinel fishery to allow fisheries-based data collection for this stock as assessed by ICES. The Member States concerned shall communicate the name(s) of the vessel(s) to the Commission before allowing any catches.

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Table 21

Species:	Cod <i>Gadus morhua</i>	Zone:	Skagerrak (COD/03AN.)
Belgium	9	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	2 848	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Germany	71	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Netherlands	18		
Sweden	498		
Union	3 444		
TAC	3 559		

Table 22

Species:	Cod	Zone:	4; United Kingdom waters of 2a; the part of 3a not covered by the Skagerrak and Kattegat (COD/2A3AX4)
	<i>Gadus morhua</i>		
Belgium	607 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	3 490	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Germany	2 212 ⁽²⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
France	750 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Netherlands	1 972 ⁽¹⁾		
Sweden	23		
Union	9054		
Norway	4 233 ⁽³⁾		
United Kingdom	11 613 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
TAC	24 900		
⁽¹⁾	Special condition: of which up to 5 % may be fished in: 7d (COD/*07D).		
⁽²⁾	Special condition: of which up to 10 % may be fished in United Kingdom, Union and international waters of 6a north of 58°30' (COD/*6AN58).		
⁽³⁾	Of which no more than the following quantity may be taken in Union waters (COD/*3AX4-EU). Catches taken within this quota are to be deducted from Norway's share of the TAC.		
	3 522		
Special condition: within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantity given below may be taken in the following zone:			
Norwegian waters of 4 (COD/*04N-)			
Union	6 551		

Table 23

Species:	Cod <i>Gadus morhua</i>	Zone:	Norwegian waters south of 62°N (COD/4N-S62)
Sweden	382 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Union	382	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant		
⁽¹⁾	By-catches of haddock, pollack, whiting and saithe are to be counted against the quota for those species.		

Table 24

Species:	Cod <i>Gadus morhua</i>	Zone:	6b; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b west of 12°00'W and of 12 and 14 (COD/5W6-14)
Belgium	0 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Germany	1 ⁽¹⁾		
France	7 ⁽¹⁾		
Ireland	12 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	20 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	54 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	74 ⁽¹⁾		
⁽¹⁾	Exclusively for by-catches of cod in fisheries for other species. No directed fisheries for cod are permitted under this quota.		

Table 25

Species:	Cod	Zone:	6a; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b east of 12°00'W (COD/5BE6A)
	<i>Gadus morhua</i>		
Belgium	1	Analytical TAC	
Germany	9	Article 8 of this Regulation applies	
France	98	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Ireland	185	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	293		
United Kingdom	1 099		
TAC	1 392		

Table 26

Species:	Cod	Zone:	7a (COD/07A.)
	<i>Gadus morhua</i>		
Belgium	2 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
France	6 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Ireland	82 ⁽¹⁾		
Netherlands	1 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	91 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	74 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	165 ⁽¹⁾		

⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by-catches of cod in fisheries for other species. No directed fisheries for cod are permitted under this quota.

Table 27

Species:	Cod	Zone:	7b, 7c, 7e-k, 8, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (COD/7XAD34)
	<i>Gadus morhua</i>		
Belgium	14 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
France	230 ⁽¹⁾	Article 8 of this Regulation applies	
Ireland	335 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Netherlands	0 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	579 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	65 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	644 ⁽¹⁾		
⁽¹⁾	Exclusively for by-catches of cod in fisheries for other species. No directed fisheries for cod are permitted under this quota.		

Table 28

Species:	Cod	Zone:	7d (COD/07D.)
	<i>Gadus morhua</i>		
Belgium	62 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
France	1 218 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Netherlands	36 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	1 316 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	134 ⁽²⁾		
TAC	1 450		
⁽¹⁾	Special condition: of which up to 5 % may be fished in 4, the part of 3a not covered by the Skagerrak and Kattegat and United Kingdom waters of 2a (COD/*2A3X4).		
⁽²⁾	Special condition: of which up to 5 % may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4, the part of 3a not covered by the Skagerrak and Kattegat and United Kingdom waters of 2a (COD/*2A3X4X).		

Table 29	
Species: Witch <i>Glyptocephalus cynoglossus</i>	Zone: Union waters of 3a (WIT/03A-C.)
To be established ⁽¹⁾	
⁽¹⁾ Of which up to 100 % may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (WIT/*2AC4-C1)	

Table 30	
Species: Megrims <i>Lepidorhombus</i> spp.	Zone: United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (LEZ/2AC4-C)
Belgium	9 ⁽¹⁾ Analytical TAC
Denmark	8 ⁽¹⁾ Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies
Germany	8 ⁽¹⁾
France	48 ⁽¹⁾
Netherlands	39 ⁽¹⁾
Union	112 ⁽¹⁾
United Kingdom	2 874 ⁽¹⁾
TAC	2 986
⁽¹⁾ Special condition: of which up to 20 % may be fished in United Kingdom, Union and international waters of 6a north of 58°30'N (LEZ/*6AN58).	

Table 31	
Species: Megrims <i>Lepidorhombus</i> spp.	Zone: 6; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14 (LEZ/56-14)
Spain	566 ⁽¹⁾ Analytical TAC
France	2 207 ⁽¹⁾ Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies
Ireland	645 ⁽¹⁾
Union	3 418 ⁽¹⁾
United Kingdom	2 611 ⁽¹⁾
TAC	6 029
⁽¹⁾ Special condition: of which up to 25 % may be fished in: United Kingdom and Union waters of 2a and 4 (LEZ/*2AC4C).	

Table 32

Species: Megrims <i>Lepidorhombus</i> spp.		Zone: 7 (LEZ/07.)
Belgium	548 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC
Spain	6 090 ⁽²⁾	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies
France	7 393 ⁽²⁾	
Ireland	3 360 ⁽²⁾	
Union	17 391	
United Kingdom	4 604 ⁽²⁾	
TAC	21 995	
⁽¹⁾ 10 % of this quota may be used in 8a, 8b, 8d and 8e (LEZ/*8ABDE) for by-catches in directed fisheries for sole.		
⁽²⁾ 35 % of this quota may be fished in 8a, 8b, 8d and 8e (LEZ/*8ABDE).		

Table 33

Species: Megrims <i>Lepidorhombus</i> spp.		Zone: 8a, 8b, 8d and 8e (LEZ/8ABDE.)
Spain	1 204	Analytical TAC
France	971	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies
Union	2 175	
TAC	2 175	

Table 34

Species:	Anglerfishes <i>Lophiidae</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (ANF/2AC4-C)
Belgium	152	(1)(2)	Precautionary TAC
Denmark	337	(1)(2)	
Germany	164	(1)(2)	
France	31	(1)(2)	
Netherlands	115	(1)(2)	
Sweden	4	(1)(2)	
Union	803	(1)(2)	
United Kingdom	6 408	(1)(2)	
TAC	7 211		

(1) Special condition: of which up to 30 % may be fished in United Kingdom, Union and international waters of 6a north of 58°30'N (ANF/*6AN58).

(2) Special condition: of which up to 10 % may be fished in United Kingdom waters of 6a south of 58°30'N; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14 (ANF/*56-14).

Table 35

Species:	Anglerfishes <i>Lophiidae</i>	Zone:	Norwegian waters of 4 (ANF/04-N.)
Belgium	33		Precautionary TAC
Denmark	842		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Germany	13		
Netherlands	12		
Union	900		
TAC	Not relevant		

Table 36

Species:	Anglerfishes <i>Lophiidae</i>	Zone:	6; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14 (ANF/56-14)
Belgium	120 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Germany	137 ⁽¹⁾		
Spain	128 ⁽¹⁾		
France	1 475 ⁽¹⁾		
Ireland	334 ⁽¹⁾		
Netherlands	116 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	2 310 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	1 772 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	4 082		
⁽¹⁾ Special condition: of which up to 20 % may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 2a and 4 (ANF/*2AC4C).			

Table 37

Species:	Anglerfishes <i>Lophiidae</i>	Zone:	7 (ANF/07.)
Belgium	4 182 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Germany	466 ⁽¹⁾	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Spain	1 662 ⁽¹⁾		
France	26 837 ⁽¹⁾		
Ireland	3 430 ⁽¹⁾		
Netherlands	542 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	37 119 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	11 056 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	48 175		
⁽¹⁾ Special condition: of which up to 10 % may be fished in 8a, 8b, 8d and 8e (ANF/*8ABDE).			

Table 38

Species:	Anglerfishes <i>Lophiidae</i>	Zone:	8a, 8b, 8d and 8e (ANF/8ABDE.)
Spain	1 966	Analytical TAC	
France	10 940	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Union	12 906		
TAC	12 906		

Table 39

Species:	Haddock <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Zone:	3a (HAD/03A.)
Belgium	30	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	5 022	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	319		
Netherlands	6		
Sweden	594		
Union	5 971		
TAC	6 233		

Table 40

Species:	Haddock <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Zone:	4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (HAD/2AC4.)
Belgium	601 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	4 133 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	2 630 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
France	4 585 ⁽¹⁾		
Netherlands	451 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Sweden	369 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Union	12 769 ⁽¹⁾		
Norway	23 327 ⁽³⁾		
United Kingdom	65 325		
TAC	101 421		
⁽¹⁾	Special condition: of which up to 10 % may be fished in United Kingdom, Union and international waters of 6a north of 58°30'N (HAD/*6AN58).		
⁽²⁾	Special condition: of which up to 5 % may be fished in 3a (HAD/*03A.).		
⁽³⁾	Of which 19 410 tonnes may be taken in Union waters (HAD/*04-EU). Catches taken within this quota are to be deducted from Norway's share of the TAC.		
Special condition: within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zones: Norwegian waters of 4 (HAD/*04N-)			
Union	7 907		

Table 41

Species:	Haddock <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Zone:	Norwegian waters south of 62°N (HAD/4N-S62)
Sweden	707 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Union	707	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant		
⁽¹⁾	By-catches of cod, pollack, whiting and saithe are to be counted against the quota for these species.		

Table 42

Species:	Haddock <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom, Union and international waters of 6b; international waters 12 and 14 (HAD/6B1214)
Belgium	8	Analytical TAC	
Germany	8	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
France	355		
Ireland	255		
Union	626		
United Kingdom	3 452		
TAC	4 078		

Table 43

Species:	Haddock <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Zone:	6a; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b (HAD/5BC6A.)
Belgium	18 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Germany	19 ⁽¹⁾	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
France	825 ⁽¹⁾		
Ireland	1 329 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	2 191 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	9 110		
TAC	11 301		

⁽¹⁾ Special condition: of which up to 25 % may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 2a and 4 (HAD/*2AC4.).

Table 44

Species:	Haddock <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Zone:	7b-k, 8, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (HAD/7X7A34)
Belgium	76	Analytical TAC	
France	4 549	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Ireland	1 516		
Union	6 141		
United Kingdom	1 584		
TAC	8 252		

Table 45

Species:	Haddock <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Zone:	7a (HAD/07A.)
Belgium	31	Analytical TAC	
France	140	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Ireland	839		
Union	1 010		
United Kingdom	1 253		
TAC	2 263		

Table 46

Species:	Whiting <i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Zone:	3a (WHG/03A.)
Denmark	562	Precautionary TAC	
Netherlands	2		
Sweden	60		
Union	624		
TAC	676		

Table 47

Species:	Whiting <i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Zone:	4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (WHG/2AC4.)
Belgium	1 224	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	5 292	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	1 377		
France	7 953		
Netherlands	3 059		
Sweden	7		
Union	18 912		
Norway	7 670 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	49 610		
TAC	76 697		
⁽¹⁾ Of which 6 382 tonnes may be taken in Union waters (WHG/*04-EU). Catches taken within this quota are to be deducted from Norway's share of the TAC.			
Special condition: within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantity given below may be taken in the following zone: Norwegian waters of 4 (WHG/*04N-)			
Union	10 953		

Table 48

Species:	Whiting <i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Zone:	6; United Kingdom and International waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14 (WHG/56-14)
Germany	8	Analytical TAC	
France	157	Article 8 of this Regulation applies	
Ireland	935		
Union	1 100		
United Kingdom	2 063		
TAC	3 163		

Table 49		
Species:	Whiting <i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Zone: 7a (WHG/07A.)
Belgium	2 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC
France	21 ⁽¹⁾	Article 8 of this Regulation applies
Ireland	262 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Netherlands	1 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Union	286 ⁽¹⁾	
United Kingdom	435 ⁽¹⁾	
TAC	721 ⁽¹⁾	
⁽¹⁾	Exclusively for by-catches of whiting in fisheries for other species. No directed fisheries for whiting are permitted under this quota.	

Table 50			
Species:	Whiting <i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Zone:	7b, 7c, 7d, 7e, 7f, 7g, 7h, 7j and 7k (WHG/7X7A-C)
Belgium	225	Analytical TAC	
France	13 834		
Ireland	6 411		
Netherlands	113		
Union	20 583 ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
United Kingdom	2 663 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
TAC	23 709		
⁽¹⁾	Of which up to 540 tonnes may be fished in United Kingdom, Union and international waters of 7b, 7c, 7e, 7f, 7g, 7h, 7j and 7k (WHG/*7XAD). This amount is exclusively for bycatches, no directed fisheries for whiting are permitted.		
⁽²⁾	Of which up to 2 123 tonnes may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 7d (WHG/*07D.).		
⁽³⁾	Of which up to 4 178 tonnes may be fished in United Kingdom, Union and international waters of 7b, 7c, 7e, 7f, 7g, 7h, 7j and 7k (WHG/*7XAD). Exclusively for bycatches. No directed fisheries for whiting are permitted under this 'of which'. Within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken as bycatches in area 7b, 7c, 7e, 7f, 7g, 7h, 7j and 7k:		
	7b, 7c, 7e, 7f, 7g, 7h, 7j and 7k		
	Belgium	46	
	France	2 808	
	Ireland	1 301	
	Netherlands	23	
⁽⁴⁾	Of which up to 16 405 tonnes may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 7d (WHG/*07D.). Within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in area 7d:		
	7d		
	Belgium	179	
	France	11 026	
	Ireland	5 110	
	Netherlands	90	

Table 51

Species:	Whiting and pollack <i>Merlangius merlangus</i> and <i>Pollachius pollachius</i>	Zone:	Norwegian waters south of 62°N (W/P/4N-S62)
Sweden	190 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Union	190		
TAC	Not relevant		
⁽¹⁾ By-catches of cod, haddock and saithe are to be counted against the quota for these species.			

Table 52

Species:	Hake <i>Merluccius merluccius</i>	Zone:	3a (HKE/03A.)
Denmark	2 011 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Sweden	171 ⁽¹⁾	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Union	2 182		
TAC	2 182		
⁽¹⁾ Transfers of this quota may be effected to United Kingdom and Union waters of 2a and 4. However, such transfers shall be notified in advance to the Commission and to the United Kingdom.			

Table 53

Species:	Hake <i>Merluccius merluccius</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (HKE/2AC4-C)
Belgium	22 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	878 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	101 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
France	194 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Netherlands	50 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Union	1 245 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
United Kingdom	1 281 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
TAC	2 526		

⁽¹⁾ Not more than 10 % of this quota may be used for by-catch in 3a (HKE/*03A.).

⁽²⁾ Special condition: of which up to 6 % may be fished in United Kingdom, Union and international waters of 6a north of 58°30'N (HKE/*6AN58).

Table 54

Species:	Hake <i>Merluccius merluccius</i>	Zone:	Norwegian waters of 4 (HKE/04-N.)
Belgium	16	Precautionary TAC	
Denmark	1 496		
Germany	169		
France	69		
Netherlands	120		
Sweden	Not relevant		
Union	1 870		
TAC	Not relevant		

Table 55

Species:	Hake <i>Merluccius merluccius</i>	Zone:	6 and 7; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14 (HKE/571214)
Belgium	361 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Spain	11 589 ⁽¹⁾	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
France	17 896 ⁽¹⁾		
Ireland	2 169 ⁽¹⁾		
Netherlands	233 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	32 248 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	8 351 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	40 599		
⁽¹⁾ Transfers of this quota may be effected to United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 and United Kingdom and international waters of 2a. However, such transfers shall be notified retrospectively annually to the Union or the United Kingdom respectively. Member States shall notify such transfers in advance to the Commission.			
Special condition: within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zones: 8a, 8b, 8d and 8e (HKE/*8ABDE)			
Belgium	48		
Spain	1 931		
France	1 931		
Ireland	241		
Netherlands	24		
Union	4 175		
United Kingdom	1 086		

Table 56

Species:	Hake <i>Merluccius merluccius</i>	Zone:	8a, 8b, 8d and 8e (HKE/8ABDE.)
Belgium	12 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Spain	8 471	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
France	19 025		
Netherlands	24 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	27 532		
TAC	27 532		

⁽¹⁾ Transfers of this quota may be effected to United Kingdom and Union waters of 2a and 4. However, such transfers shall be notified in advance to the Commission and to the United Kingdom.

Special condition: within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zones: 6 and 7; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14 (HKE/*57-14)

Belgium	2
Spain	2 454
France	4 418
Netherlands	7
Union	6 881

Table 57

Species:	Blue whiting <i>Micromesistius poutassou</i>	Zone:	Norwegian waters of 2 and 4 (WHB/24-N.)
Denmark	0	Analytical TAC	
Union	0		
TAC	1 529 754		

Table 58

Species:	Blue whiting	Zone:	United Kingdom, Union and international waters of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8a, 8b, 8d, 8e, 12 and 14 (WHB/1X14)
	<i>Micromesistius poutassou</i>		
Denmark	77 396 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Germany	30 093 ⁽¹⁾	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Spain	65 615 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
France	53 862 ⁽¹⁾		
Ireland	59 933 ⁽¹⁾		
Netherlands	94 377 ⁽¹⁾		
Portugal	6 095 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Sweden	19 145 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	406 516 ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾		
Norway	48 000 ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾		
Faroe Islands	Not relevant		
United Kingdom	Not relevant		
TAC	1 529 754		
⁽¹⁾	Special condition: within a total access limit of to be established tonnes for the Union, Member States may fish up to the following percentage of their quotas in Faroese waters (WHB/*05-F.): to be established %		
⁽²⁾	Transfers of this quota may be effected to 8c, 9 and 10 and to Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1. However, such transfers shall be notified in advance to the Commission.		
⁽³⁾	Special condition: from the Union quotas in United Kingdom, Union and international waters of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8a, 8b, 8d, 8e, 12 and 14 (WHB/*NZJM1) and in 8c, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (WHB/*NZJM2), the following quantity may be fished in the Norwegian Economic Zone or in the fishery zone around Jan Mayen: 10 000		
⁽⁴⁾	Can be fished in Union waters of 4, 6a North of 56°30'N, 6b and 7 West of 12°W (WHB/*46AB7-EU).		
⁽⁵⁾	Special condition: from the Norwegian quota, the following quantity may be fished in Union waters of 4, 6a North of 56°30'N, 6b and 7 West of 12°W: 150 000		

Table 59

Species:	Blue whiting <i>Micromesistius poutassou</i>	Zone:	8c, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (WHB/8C3411)
Spain	47 154	Analytical TAC	
Portugal	11 788	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Union	58 942 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	1 529 754		
⁽¹⁾	Special condition: from the Union quotas in Union and international waters of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8a, 8b, 8d, 8e, 12 and 14 (WHB/*NZJM1) and in 8c, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (WHB/*NZJM2), the following quantity may be fished in the Norwegian Economic Zone or in the fishery zone around Jan Mayen:		
	10 000		

Table 60

Species:	Lemon sole and witch flounder <i>Microstomus kitt</i> and <i>Glyptocephalus cynoglossus</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (L/W/2AC4-C)
Belgium	125	Precautionary TAC	
Denmark	318		
Germany	44		
France	95		
Netherlands	287		
Sweden	4		
Union	873 ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
United Kingdom	1 666 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
TAC	2 539		

(1) Of which up to 1 125 tonnes of lemon sole may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (LEM/*2AC4-C); and United Kingdom and Union waters of 7d (LEM/*07D.).

(2) Of which up to 541 tonnes of witch flounder may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (WIT/*2AC4-C); and United Kingdom and Union waters of 7d (WIT/*07D.).

(3) Of which up to 590 tonnes of lemon sole may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (LEM/*2AC4-C); Union waters of 3a (LEM/*03A-C.); and United Kingdom and Union waters of 7d (LEM/*07D.).

Belgium	82
Denmark	226
Germany	29
France	62
Netherlands	188
Sweden	3

- (4) Of which up to 283 tonnes of witch flounder may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 and United Kingdom waters of 2a (WIT/*2AC4-C), Union waters of 3a (WIT/*03A-C.); and United Kingdom and Union waters of 7d (WIT/*07D.).

Belgium	39
Denmark	109
Germany	14
France	30
Netherlands	90
Sweden	1

Table 61

Species:	Lemon sole <i>Microstomus kitt</i>	Zone:	Union waters of 3a (LEM/03A-C.)
	To be established ⁽¹⁾		Analytical TAC
⁽¹⁾	Of which up to 100 % may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (LEM/*2AC4-C1)		

Table 62	
Species: Lemon sole <i>Microstomus kitt</i>	Zone: United Kingdom and Union waters of 7d (LEM/07D.)
Belgium	79 ⁽¹⁾ Analytical TAC
France	39 ⁽¹⁾
Netherlands	8 ⁽¹⁾
Union	126 ⁽¹⁾
United Kingdom	29 ⁽¹⁾
TAC	155
⁽¹⁾ Of which up to 100 % may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (LEM/*2AC4-C2).	

Table 63	
Species: Blue ling <i>Molva dypterygia</i>	Zone: 6 and 7; United Kingdom and international waters of 5 (BLI/5B67-)
Germany	108 Analytical TAC
Estonia	16 Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies
Spain	340
France	7 747
Ireland	29
Lithuania	7
Poland	3
Others	29 ⁽¹⁾
Union	8 279
Norway	0 ⁽²⁾
Faroe Islands	0 ⁽³⁾
United Kingdom	2 693
TAC	10 972
⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (BLI/5B67_AMS).	
⁽²⁾ To be fished in Union waters of 4, 6 and 7 (BLI/*24X7C).	
⁽³⁾ By-catches of roundnose grenadier and black scabbardfish to be counted against this quota. To be fished in Union waters of 6a north of 56°30'N and 6b. This provision shall not apply for catches subject to the landing obligation.	

Table 64

Species:	Blue ling <i>Molva dypterygia</i>	Zone:	International waters of 12 (BLI/12INT-)
Estonia	0 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Spain	59 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
France	1 ⁽¹⁾		
Lithuania	1 ⁽¹⁾		
Others	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Union	61 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	1 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	62 ⁽¹⁾		

⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.

⁽²⁾ Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (BLI/12INT_AMS).

Table 65

Species:	Blue ling <i>Molva dypterygia</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and international waters of 2; United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 (BLI/24-)
Denmark	2 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Germany	2 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Ireland	2 ⁽¹⁾		
France	8 ⁽¹⁾		
Others	2 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Union	16 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	6 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	22 ⁽¹⁾		

⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.

⁽²⁾ Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (BLI/24_AMS).

Table 66

Species:	Blue ling <i>Molva dypterygia</i>	Zone:	Union waters of 3a (BLI/03A-)
Denmark	1,5	Precautionary TAC	
Germany	1	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Sweden	1,5		
Union	4		
TAC	4		

Table 67

Species:	Ling <i>Molva molva</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and international waters of 1 and 2 (LIN/1/2.)
Denmark	7	Precautionary TAC	
Germany	7		
France	7		
Others	3 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	24		
United Kingdom	7		
TAC	31		

⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (LIN/1/2_AMS).

Table 68

Species:	Ling <i>Molva molva</i>	Zone:	Union waters of 3a (LIN/03A-C.)
Belgium	11	Precautionary TAC	
Denmark	87		
Germany	11		
Sweden	34		
Union	144		
United Kingdom	0		
TAC	144		

Table 69

Species:	Ling <i>Molva molva</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 (LIN/04-C.)
Belgium	13 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Denmark	199 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Germany	123 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
France	111 ⁽¹⁾		
Netherlands	4 ⁽¹⁾		
Sweden	9 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Union	459 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	1 807 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
TAC	2 266		

⁽¹⁾ Special condition: of which up to 20 % may be fished in United Kingdom, Union and international waters of 6a north of 58°30'N (LIN/*6AN58).

⁽²⁾ Special condition: of which up to 25 % but no more than 75 tonnes may be fished in: Union waters of 3a (LIN/*03A-C).

Table 70			
Species:	Ling <i>Molva molva</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and international waters of 5 (LIN/05EI.)
Belgium	1	⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC
Denmark	1	⁽¹⁾	
Germany	1	⁽¹⁾	
France	1	⁽¹⁾	
Union	4	⁽¹⁾	
United Kingdom	1	⁽¹⁾	
TAC	5	⁽¹⁾	
⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries for ling are permitted under this quota.			

Table 71

Species:	Ling <i>Molva molva</i>	Zone:	6, 7, 8, 9 and 10; international waters of 12 and 14 (LIN/6X14.)
Belgium	38 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Denmark	7 ⁽¹⁾		
Germany	140 ⁽¹⁾		
Ireland	756 ⁽¹⁾		
Spain	2 831 ⁽¹⁾		
France	3 019 ⁽¹⁾		
Portugal	7 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	6 798 ⁽¹⁾		
Norway	0 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
Faroe Islands	0 ⁽⁵⁾⁽⁶⁾		
United Kingdom	4 109 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	10 907		

⁽¹⁾ Special condition: of which up to 40 % may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 (LIN/*04-C.).

⁽²⁾ Special condition: of which an incidental catch of other species of 25 % per vessel, at any moment, is authorised in 5b, 6 and 7. However, this percentage may be exceeded in the first 24 hours following the beginning of the fishing on a specific ground. The total incidental catch of other species in 5b, 6 and 7 shall not exceed the amount below in tonnes (OTH/*6X14.). By-catch of cod under this provision in area 6a may not be more than 5 %.

0

⁽³⁾ Including tusk. The quotas for Norway shall only be fished with long-lines in 5b, 6 and 7, and they amount to:

Ling (LIN/*5B67-)	0
Tusk (USK/*5B67-)	0

⁽⁴⁾ The ling and tusk quotas for Norway are interchangeable up to the following amount, in tonnes:

0

⁽⁵⁾ Including tusk. To be fished in 6a north of 56°30'N and 6b (LIN/*6BAN.).

⁽⁶⁾ Special condition: of which an incidental catch of other species of 20 % per vessel, at any moment, is authorised in 6a and 6b. However, this percentage may be exceeded in the first 24 hours following the beginning of the fishing on a specific ground. The total incidental catch of other species in 6a and 6b shall not exceed the following amount in tonnes (OTH/*6AB.): 0

Table 72

Species:	Ling <i>Molva molva</i>	Zone:	Norwegian waters of 4 (LIN/04-N.)
Belgium	4	Precautionary TAC	
Denmark	477	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Germany	13		
France	5		
Netherlands	1		
Union	500		
TAC	Not relevant		

Table 73

Species:	Norway lobster <i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (NEP/2AC4-C)
Belgium	1 107	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	1 107	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	16		
France	33		
Netherlands	570		
Union	2 834		
United Kingdom	18 350		
TAC	21 184		

Table 74

Species:	Norway lobster <i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Zone:	Norwegian waters of 4 (NEP/04-N.)
Denmark	250	Analytical TAC	
Germany	0	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	250	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant		

Table 75

Species:	Norway lobster <i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Zone:	6; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b (NEP/5BC6.)
Spain	27	Analytical TAC	
France	106		
Ireland	177		
Union	310		
United Kingdom	12 831		
TAC	13 141		

Table 76

Species:	Norway lobster <i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Zone:	7 (NEP/07.)
Spain	991 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
France	4 018 ⁽¹⁾		
Ireland	6 095 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	11 104 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	7 799 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	18 903 ⁽¹⁾		

(1) Special condition: within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zone:

Functional Unit 16 of subarea 7 (NEP/*07U16)

Spain	1 375		
France	861		
Ireland	1 655		
Union	3 891		
United Kingdom	669		

Table 77

Species:	Northern prawn <i>Pandalus borealis</i>	Zone:	3a (PRA/03A.)
Denmark	0 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Sweden	0 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	0 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	0 ⁽¹⁾		

(1) This quota may only be fished from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025.

Table 78

Species:	Northern prawn <i>Pandalus borealis</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (PRA/2AC4-C)
Denmark	588 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Netherlands	6 ⁽¹⁾		
Sweden	24 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	618 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	174 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	792 ⁽¹⁾		

⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries for Northern prawn are permitted under this quota.

Table 79

Species:	Northern prawn <i>Pandalus borealis</i>	Zone:	Norwegian waters south of 62°N (PRA/4N-S62)
Denmark	50	Analytical TAC	
Sweden	123 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	123	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant		

⁽¹⁾ By-catches of cod, haddock, pollack, whiting and saithe are to be counted against the quotas for these species.

Table 80

Species:	Plaice <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Zone:	Skagerrak (PLE/03AN.)
Belgium	87	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	11 339	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	58		
Netherlands	2 181		
Sweden	607		
Union	14 272		
TAC	18 250		

Table 81

Species:	Plaice <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Zone:	4; United Kingdom waters of 2a; the part of 3a not covered by the Skagerrak and the Kattegat (PLE/2A3AX4)
Belgium	5 809	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	18 878	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	5 446		
France	1 089		
Netherlands	36 303		
Union	67 525		
Norway	9 549 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	36 105		
TAC	136 413		

⁽¹⁾ Of which 7 946 tonnes may be taken in Union waters (PLE/*3AX4-EU). Catches taken within this quota are to be deducted from Norway's share of the TAC.

Special condition: within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zone:
Norwegian waters of 4 (PLE/*04N-)

Union	31 003
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Table 82

Species:	Plaice <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Zone:	6; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14 (PLE/56-14)
France	8	Precautionary TAC	
Ireland	224		
Union	232		
United Kingdom	360		
TAC	592		

Table 83

Species:	Plaice <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Zone:	7a (PLE/07A.)
Belgium	33	Analytical TAC	
France	14	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Ireland	570		
Netherlands	10		
Union	627		
United Kingdom	972		
TAC	1 902		

Table 84

Species:	Plaice <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Zone:	7d and 7e (PLE/7DE.)
Belgium	439	Analytical TAC	
France	1 463	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Union	1 902 ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
United Kingdom	1 176 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
TAC	3 930		
(1)	Of which up to 346 tonnes may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 7d (PLE/*07D.).		
(2)	Of which up to 830 tonnes may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 7e (PLE/*07E.).		
(3)	Of which up to 1 649 tonnes may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 7d (PLE/*07D.). Within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in area 7d:		
	7d		
	Belgium	381	
	France	1268	
(4)	Of which up to 253 tonnes may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 7e (PLE/*07E.). Within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in area 7e:		
	7e		
	Belgium	58	
	France	195	

Table 85

Species:	Plaice <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Zone:	7f and 7g (PLE/7FG.)
Belgium	42	Precautionary TAC	
France	76		
Ireland	142		
Union	260		
United Kingdom	105		
TAC	402		

Table 86

Species:	Plaice <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Zone:	7h, 7j and 7k (PLE/7HJK.)
Belgium	8 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
France	16 ⁽¹⁾	Article 8 of this Regulation applies	
Ireland	54 ⁽¹⁾		
Netherlands	31 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	109 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	23 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	132 ⁽¹⁾		

⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries for plaice are permitted under this quota.

Table 87

Species:	Pollack <i>Pollachius pollachius</i>	Zone:	6; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14 (POL/56-14)
Spain	1 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
France	45 ⁽¹⁾		
Ireland	13 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	59 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	34 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	93 ⁽¹⁾		

⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries for pollack are permitted under this quota.

Table 88

Species:	Pollack <i>Pollachius pollachius</i>	Zone:	7 (POL/07.)
Belgium	24 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Spain	1 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
France	546 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Ireland	58 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Union	629 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
United Kingdom	203 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
TAC	832 ⁽¹⁾		
⁽¹⁾	Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries for pollack are permitted under this quota.		
⁽²⁾	Special condition: of which up to 2 % may be fished in 8a, 8b, 8d and 8e (POL/*8ABDE).		

Table 89	
Species: Saithe <i>Pollachius virens</i>	Zone: 3a and 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (POK/2C3A4)
Belgium	20 ⁽¹⁾
Denmark	2 373 ⁽¹⁾
Germany	5 991 ⁽¹⁾
France	14 100 ⁽¹⁾
Netherlands	60 ⁽¹⁾
Sweden	326 ⁽¹⁾
Union	22 870 ⁽¹⁾
Norway	35 901 ⁽²⁾
United Kingdom	8 105
TAC	66 876
⁽¹⁾ Special condition: of which up to 15 % may be fished in United Kingdom, Union and international waters of 6a north of 58°30'N (POK/*6AN58).	
⁽²⁾ Of which 28 937 tonnes may be taken in Union waters of 4 and in 3a (POK/*3A4-C). Catches taken within this quota are to be deducted from Norway's share of the TAC.	
Special condition: within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantity given below may be taken in the following zone:	
Norwegian waters of 4 (POK/*04N-)	
Union	19 976

Table 90

Species:	Saithe <i>Pollachius virens</i>	Zone:	6; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b, 12 and 14 (POK/56-14)
Germany	295 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
France	2 925 ⁽¹⁾		
Ireland	365 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	3 585 ⁽¹⁾		
Norway	0		
United Kingdom	3 354		
TAC	6 939		
⁽¹⁾ Special condition: of which up to 30 % may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 2a and 4 (POK/*2AC4C)			

Table 91

Species:	Saithe <i>Pollachius virens</i>	Zone:	Norwegian waters south of 62°N (POK/4N-S62)
Sweden	880 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Union	880	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant		
⁽¹⁾ By-catches of cod, haddock, pollack and whiting are to be counted against the quota for these species.			

Table 92

Species:	Saithe <i>Pollachius virens</i>	Zone:	7, 8, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (POK/7/3411)
Belgium	2	Precautionary TAC	
France	431		
Ireland	863		
Union	1 296		
United Kingdom	229		
TAC	1 525		

Table 93

Species:	Turbot and brill <i>Scophthalmus maximus</i> and <i>Scophthalmus rhombus</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (T/B/2AC4-C)
Belgium	251	Precautionary TAC	
Denmark	537	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	137		
France	65		
Netherlands	1 904		
Sweden	4		
Union	2 898 ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
United Kingdom	708 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
TAC	3 606		

⁽¹⁾ Of which up to 400 tonnes of turbot may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 and United Kingdom waters of 2a (TUR/*2AC4-C).

⁽²⁾ Of which up to 308 tonnes of brill may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 and United Kingdom waters of 2a (BLL/*2AC4-C); and United Kingdom and Union waters of 7d and 7e (BLL/*7DE.).

- (3) Of which up to 1 638 tonnes of turbot may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 and United Kingdom waters of 2a (TUR/*2AC4-C).

Belgium	142
Denmark	303
Germany	77
France	37
Netherlands	1 077
Sweden	2

- (4) Of which up to 1 260 tonnes of brill may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 and United Kingdom waters of 2a (BLL/*2AC4-C); Union waters of 3a (BLL/*03A-C.); and United Kingdom and Union waters of 7d and 7e (BLL/*7DE.).

Belgium	109
Denmark	233
Germany	60
France	28
Netherlands	828
Sweden	2

Table 94

Species:	Brill <i>Scophthalmus rhombus</i>	Zone:	Union waters of 3a (BLL/03A-C.)
To be established ⁽¹⁾		Analytical TAC	
⁽¹⁾ Of which up to 100 % may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (BLL/*2AC4-C1)			

Table 95

Species:	Brill <i>Scophthalmus rhombus</i>	Zone:	7d and 7e (BLL/07DE.)
Belgium	137 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
France	306 ⁽¹⁾		
Netherlands	2 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	446 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	281 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	727		
⁽¹⁾ Of which up to 100 % may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (BLL/*2AC4-C2)			

Table 96

Species:	Skates and rays <i>Rajiformes</i>	Zone:	Union and United Kingdom waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (SRX/2AC4-C)
Belgium	478	(1)(2)(3)(4)	Precautionary TAC
Denmark	19	(1)(2)(3)	
Germany	23	(1)(2)(3)	
France	75	(1)(2)(3)(4)	
Netherlands	407	(1)(2)(3)(4)	
Union	1 002	(1)(3)	
United Kingdom	2 195	(1)(2)(3)(4)	
TAC	3 197	(3)	

(1) Catches of blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 (RJH/04-C.), cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/2AC4-C), thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/2AC4-C) and spotted ray (*Raja montagui*) (RJM/2AC4-C) shall be reported separately.

(2) By-catch quota. These species shall not comprise more than 25 % by live weight of the catch retained on board per fishing trip. This condition applies only to fishing vessels over 15 metres' length overall. This provision shall not apply for catches subject to the landing obligation as set out in Article 15(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013, which was retained by the United Kingdom.

(3) Shall not apply to blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) in United Kingdom waters of 2a and small-eyed ray (*Raja microocellata*) in United Kingdom and Union waters of 2a and 4. When accidentally caught, these species shall not be harmed. Specimens shall be promptly released. Fishers shall be encouraged to develop and use techniques and equipment to facilitate the rapid and safe release of the species.

(4) Special condition: of which up to 10 % may be fished in 7d (SRX/*07D2.), without prejudice to the prohibitions set out in Union and United Kingdom law for the areas specified therein. Catches of blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) (RJH/*07D2.), cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/*07D2.), thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/*07D2.) and spotted ray (*Raja montagui*) (RJM/*07D2.) shall be reported separately. This special condition shall not apply to small-eyed ray (*Raja microocellata*) and undulate ray (*Raja undulata*).

Table 97

Species:	Skates and rays <i>Rajiformes</i>	Zone:	Union waters of 3a (SRX/03A-C.)
Denmark	69 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Sweden	19 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	88 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	88		

⁽¹⁾ Catches of cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/03A-C.), blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) (RJH/03A-C.) and spotted ray (*Raja montagui*) (RJM/03A-C.) shall be reported separately.

Table 98

Species:	Skates and rays <i>Rajiformes</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and Union waters of 6a, 6b, 7a-c and 7e-k (SRX/67AKXD)
Belgium	824 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Estonia	5 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
France	3 702 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
Germany	11 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
Ireland	1 191 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
Lithuania	19 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
Netherlands	3 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
Portugal	20 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
Spain	996 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
Union	6 771 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
United Kingdom	2 985 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
TAC	9 756 ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		

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- (1) Catches of cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/67AKXD), thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/67AKXD), blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) (RJH/67AKXD), spotted ray (*Raja montagui*) (RJM/67AKXD), sandy ray (*Leucoraja circularis*) (RJI/67AKXD) and shagreen ray (*Leucoraja fullonica*) (RJF/67AKXD) shall be reported separately.
 - (2) Special condition: of which up to 5 % may be fished in 7d (SRX/*07D.), without prejudice to the prohibitions set out in Union and United Kingdom law for the areas specified therein. Catches of cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/*07D.), thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/*07D.), blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) (RJH/*07D.), spotted ray (*Raja montagui*) (RJM/*07D.), sandy ray (*Leucoraja circularis*) (RJI/*07D.) and shagreen ray (*Leucoraja fullonica*) (RJF/*07D.) shall be reported separately. This special condition shall not apply to small-eyed ray (*Raja microocellata*) and undulate ray (*Raja undulata*).
 - (3) Shall not apply to undulate ray (*Raja undulata*). Catches of this species in 7e shall be counted against the quantities provided for in that separate TAC (RJU/7DE.). When accidentally caught in 6a, 6b, 7a-c and 7f-k, this species shall not be harmed. Specimens shall be promptly released. Fishers shall be encouraged to develop and use techniques and equipment to facilitate the rapid and safe release of the species.
 - (4) Shall not apply to small-eyed ray (*Raja microocellata*), except in 7e, 7f and 7g. When accidentally caught, this species shall not be harmed. Specimens shall be promptly released. Fishers shall be encouraged to develop and use techniques and equipment to facilitate the rapid and safe release of the species. Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities of small-eyed ray in 7f and 7g (RJE/7FG.) provided below may be taken. Within the limits of the abovementioned quota, no more than 5t and 11t of small-eyed ray in 7e (RJE/07E.) may be taken by the United Kingdom and the Union respectively so as to allow for a sentinel fishery to allow fisheries-based data collection for the stock as assessed by ICES. Only vessels participating in sentinel fishery monitoring programmes for small-eyed ray in 7e may land catch of this stock. Specimens caught by other vessels shall not be harmed and shall be promptly released. Each Party shall independently determine how to allocate its quota to the vessels participating in its monitoring schemes. Each Party shall ensure that the total annual landing small-eyed ray on the basis of the monitoring allowance does not exceed the above amounts. Participating vessels will be required to collect and share data on: landings and discards, and preferably biological characteristic data of the catch (length, weight and sex).
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Species:	Small-eyed ray <i>Raja microocellata</i>	Zone:	7f and 7g (RJE/7FG.)
Belgium		5	Precautionary TAC
Estonia		0	
France		22	
Germany		0	
Ireland		7	
Lithuania		0	
Netherlands		0	
Portugal		0	
Spain		6	
Union		40	
United Kingdom		46	
TAC		86	

Special condition: of which up to 5 % may be fished in 7d and reported under the following code: (RJE/*07D.). This special condition is without prejudice to the prohibitions set out in Union and United Kingdom law for the areas specified therein.

Table 99

Species:	Skates and rays <i>Rajiformes</i>	Zone:	7d (SRX/07D.)
Belgium	242	(1)(2)(3)(4)	Precautionary TAC
France	2 030	(1)(2)(3)(4)	
Netherlands	13	(1)(2)(3)(4)	
Union	2 285	(1)(2)(3)(4)	
United Kingdom	427	(1)(2)(3)(4)	
TAC	2 712	(4)	
(1)	Catches of cuckoo ray (<i>Leucoraja naevus</i>) (RJN/07D.), thornback ray (<i>Raja clavata</i>) (RJC/07D.), blonde ray (<i>Raja brachyura</i>) (RJH/07D.), spotted ray (<i>Raja montagui</i>) (RJM/07D.) and small-eyed ray (<i>Raja microocellata</i>) (RJE/07D.) shall be reported separately.		
(2)	Special condition: of which up to 5 % may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 6a, 6b, 7a-c and 7e-k (SRX/*67AKD). Catches of cuckoo ray (<i>Leucoraja naevus</i>) (RJN/*67AKD), thornback ray (<i>Raja clavata</i>) (RJC/*67AKD), blonde ray (<i>Raja brachyura</i>) (RJH/*67AKD) and spotted ray (<i>Raja montagui</i>) (RJM/*67AKD) shall be reported separately. This special condition shall not apply to small-eyed ray (<i>Raja microocellata</i>) and to undulate ray (<i>Raja undulata</i>).		
(3)	Special condition: of which up to 10 % may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 2a and 4 (SRX/*2AC4C). Catches of blonde ray (<i>Raja brachyura</i>) in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 (RJH/*04-C.), cuckoo ray (<i>Leucoraja naevus</i>) (RJN/*2AC4C), thornback ray (<i>Raja clavata</i>) (RJC/*2AC4C) and spotted ray (<i>Raja montagui</i>) (RJM/*2AC4C) shall be reported separately. This special condition shall not apply to small-eyed ray (<i>Raja microocellata</i>).		
(4)	Shall not apply to undulate ray (<i>Raja undulata</i>). Catches of this species shall be counted against the quantities provided for in that separate TAC (RJU/7DE.).		

Table 100

Species:	Undulate ray <i>Raja undulata</i>	Zone:	7d and 7e (RJU/7DE.)
Belgium	314 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Estonia	2 ⁽¹⁾		
France	1 535 ⁽¹⁾		
Germany	4 ⁽¹⁾		
Ireland	405 ⁽¹⁾		
Lithuania	7 ⁽¹⁾		
Netherlands	3 ⁽¹⁾		
Portugal	7 ⁽¹⁾		
Spain	339 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	2 616 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	1 358 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	3 974 ⁽¹⁾		

⁽¹⁾ The specimens may only be landed whole or gutted. For Union fishing vessels, this is without prejudice to the relevant prohibitions set out in Union and United Kingdom law for the areas specified therein.

Table 101

Species:	Skates and rays <i>Rajiformes</i>	Zone:	Union waters of 8 and 9 (SRX/89-C.)
Belgium	11 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Precautionary TAC	
France	2 115 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Portugal	1 714 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Spain	1 724 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Union	5 564 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
United Kingdom	12 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
TAC	5 576 ⁽²⁾		

⁽¹⁾ Catches of cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/89-C.), blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) (RJH/89-C.) and thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/89-C.) shall be reported separately.

⁽²⁾ Shall not apply to undulate ray (*Raja undulata*). This species shall not be targeted in the areas covered by this TAC. In cases where it is not subject to the landing obligation, by-catch of undulate ray in subareas 8 and 9 may only be landed whole or gutted. The catches shall remain under the quotas shown in the table below. These provisions are without prejudice to the prohibitions set out in Union law for the areas specified therein. By-catches of undulate ray shall be reported separately under the codes indicated in the tables below. Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities of undulate ray given below may be taken:

Species:	Undulate ray <i>Raja undulata</i>	Zone:	Union waters of 8 (RJU/8-C.)
Belgium	0	Precautionary TAC	
France	13 ⁽¹⁾		
Portugal	10		
Spain	10 ⁽²⁾		
Union	33		
United Kingdom	0		
TAC	33		

⁽¹⁾ An additional 28,5 tonnes may be allocated to vessels participating in the sentinel fishery to allow fisheries-based data collection for this stock as designed by a national scientific institute. France shall communicate the name(s) of the vessel(s) to the Commission before allowing any catches (RJU/8-C.SEN). This shall be without prejudice to the relative stability.

⁽²⁾ An additional 21,5 tonnes may be allocated to vessels participating in the sentinel fishery to allow fisheries-based data collection for this stock as designed by a national scientific institute. Spain shall communicate the name(s) of the vessel(s) to the Commission before allowing any catches (RJU/8-C.SEN). This shall be without prejudice to the relative stability.

Species:	Undulate ray <i>Raja undulata</i>	Zone:	Union waters of 9 (RJU/9-C.)
Belgium	0	Precautionary TAC	
France	20		
Portugal	15 ⁽¹⁾		
Spain	15		
Union	50		
United Kingdom	0		
TAC	50		

⁽¹⁾ An additional 50 tonnes may be allocated to vessels participating in the sentinel fishery to allow fisheries-based data collection for this stock as designed by a national scientific institute. Portugal shall communicate the name(s) of the vessel(s) to the Commission before allowing any catches (RJU/9-C.SEN). This shall be without prejudice to the relative stability.

Table 102

Species:		Zone:
Greenland halibut		6; United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b
<i>Reinhardtius hippoglossoides</i>		(GHL/2A-C46)
Denmark	29	Analytical TAC
Germany	51	
Estonia	29	
Spain	29	
France	478	
Ireland	29	
Lithuania	29	
Poland	29	
Union	703	
Norway	0	
United Kingdom	1 868	
TAC	2 571	

Table 103

Species:	Mackerel <i>Scomber scombrus</i>	Zone:	3a; United Kingdom, Union waters of 2a, 3b, 3c; 3d and 4; Norwegian waters 2a and 4a (MAC/2A34-N.)
Belgium	476 (1)(2)	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	27 882 (1)(2)(4)	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	496 (1)(2)		
France	1 498 (1)(2)		
Netherlands	1 508 (1)(2)		
Sweden	4 569 (1)(2)(3)		
Union	36 429 (1)(2)		
TAC	739 386		

(1) Special condition: within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zones. Up to 60 % of the allocated quota to Member States under MAC/2A34 may be fished in 6, 7, 8a, 8b, 8d and 8e; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 2a, 12 and 14 (MAC/*2AX14).

	3a (MAC/*03A.)	United Kingdom and Union waters of 3a, 4b and 4c (MAC/*3A4BC)	4b (MAC/*04B.)	4c (MAC/*04C.)	United Kingdom and international waters of 2a, 5b, 6, 7, 8d, 8e, 12 and 14 (MAC/*2AX14)
Belgium	0	0	0	0	286
Denmark	0	4 130	0	0	9 775
Germany	0	0	0	0	298
France	0	490	0	0	899
Netherlands	0	490	0	0	905
Sweden	0	0	390	10	2 741
Union	0	5 110	390	10	14 903

- (2) Within the limits of these quotas, and in agreement with the relevant coastal State, no more than the quantities given below may also be taken in the two following zones:

	Norwegian waters of 2a (MAC/*02AN-)	Faroese waters (MAC/*FRO1)
Belgium	0	To be established
Denmark	0	To be established
Germany	0	To be established
France	0	To be established
Netherlands	0	To be established
Sweden	0	To be established
Union	0	To be established

- (3) Special condition: including the following tonnage to be taken in Norwegian waters of 2a and 4a (MAC/*2A4AN):

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When fishing under this special condition, by-catches of cod, haddock, pollack, whiting and saithe are to be counted against the quotas for these species.

- (4) Within the limits of this quota, the following transfers are made by Denmark to be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 6, 7, 8d; Union waters of 8a, 8b and 8e; international waters of 12 and 14; and United Kingdom and international waters of 2a and 5b (MAC/*2A14):

Post transfer	
Germany	531
Spain	1
Estonia	4
France	354
Ireland	1 769
Latvia	3
Lithuania	3
Netherlands	774
Poland	37

Table 104

Species:	Mackerel <i>Scomber scombrus</i>	Zone:	6, 7, 8a, 8b, 8d and 8e; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 2a, 12 and 14 (MAC/2CX14-)
Germany	14 268 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Spain	15 ⁽¹⁾	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Estonia	119 ⁽¹⁾		
France	9 513 ⁽¹⁾		
Ireland	47 560 ⁽¹⁾		
Latvia	88 ⁽¹⁾		
Lithuania	88 ⁽¹⁾		
Netherlands	20 808 ⁽¹⁾		
Poland	1 005 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	93 464 ⁽¹⁾		
Norway	0 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾		
Faroe Islands	To be established ⁽⁴⁾		
United Kingdom	Not relevant ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	739 386		
⁽¹⁾	Special condition: of which up to 25 % can be made available for exchanges to be fished by Spain, France and Portugal in 8c, 9 and 10 and Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (MAC/*8C910).		
⁽²⁾	May be fished in 2a, 6a north of 56°30'N, 4a, 7d, 7e, 7f and 7h (MAC/*AX7H).		
⁽³⁾	The amount of access limit indicated below (MAC/*N5630), in tonnes, may be fished by Norway north of 56°30' N. The amounts not counted under footnote (2) shall be counted against the catch limit established by Norway.		
	0		
⁽⁴⁾	This amount shall be deducted from the Faroe Islands catch limit (access quota). It may be fished only in 6a north of 56°30'N (MAC/*6AN56). However, from 1 January to 15 February and from 1 October to 31 December this quota may also be fished in 2a, 4a north of 59°N (MAC/*24N59).		

Special condition: within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zones and periods:

	United Kingdom waters of 4a. During the periods from 1 January to 14 February and from 1 August to 31 December	Norwegian waters of 2a	Faroese waters
	(MAC/*4A-UK)	(MAC/*2AN-)	(MAC/*FRO2)
Germany	14 268	0	To be established
Spain	15	0	To be established
Estonia	119	0	To be established
France	9 513	0	To be established
Ireland	47 560	0	To be established
Latvia	88	0	To be established
Lithuania	88	0	To be established
Netherlands	20 808	0	To be established
Poland	1 005	0	To be established
Union	93 464	0	To be established
United Kingdom	Not relevant	0	Not relevant

Table 105

Species:	Mackerel <i>Scomber scombrus</i>	Zone:	8c, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (MAC/8C3411)
Spain	27 832 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
France	185 ⁽¹⁾	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Portugal	5 753 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	33 770		
TAC	739 386		

⁽¹⁾ Special condition: quantities subject to exchanges with other Member States may be taken in 8a, 8b and 8d (MAC/*8ABD.). However, the quantities provided by Spain, Portugal or France for exchange purposes and to be taken in 8a, 8b and 8d shall not exceed 25 % of the quotas of the donor Member State.

Special condition: within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zone:
8b (MAC/*08B.)

Spain	2 338
France	16
Portugal	483

Table 106

Species:	Common sole <i>Solea solea</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (SOL/24-C.)
Belgium	268	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	123		
Germany	215		
France	54		
Netherlands	2 423		
Union	3 083		
Norway	5 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	587		
TAC	3 675		

⁽¹⁾ May be fished only in Union waters of 4 (SOL/*4-EU).

Table 107

Species:	Common sole <i>Solea solea</i>	Zone:	Zone: 6; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14 (SOL/56-14)
Ireland	46	Precautionary TAC	
Union	46		
United Kingdom	11		
TAC	57		

Table 108

Species:	Common sole <i>Solea solea</i>	Zone:	7a (SOL/07A.)
Belgium	62 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
France	1 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Ireland	69 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Netherlands	20 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	152 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	47 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	203 ⁽¹⁾		

⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by catches. No directed fisheries for sole are permitted under this quota.

Table 109

Species:	Common sole <i>Solea solea</i>	Zone:	7d (SOL/07D.)
Belgium	393	Precautionary TAC	
France	787		
Union	1 180		
United Kingdom	300		
TAC	1 504		

Table 110

Species:	Common sole <i>Solea solea</i>	Zone:	7e (SOL/07E.)
Belgium	38	Analytical TAC	
France	409	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Union	447		
United Kingdom	737		
TAC	1 184		

Table 111

Species:	Common sole <i>Solea solea</i>	Zone:	7f and 7g (SOL/7FG.)
Belgium	730	Analytical TAC	
France	72	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Ireland	37		
Union	840		
United Kingdom	405		
TAC	1 267		

Table 112

Species:	Common sole <i>Solea solea</i>	Zone:	7h, 7j and 7k (SOL/7HJK.)
Belgium	14	Precautionary TAC	
France	28		
Ireland	77		
Netherlands	23		
Union	142		
United Kingdom	28		
TAC	170		

Table 113

Species:	Sprat and associated by-catches <i>Sprattus sprattus</i>	Zone:	3a (SPR/03A.)
Denmark	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	Analytical TAC	
Germany	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾		
Sweden	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾		
Union	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾		
TAC	0 ⁽²⁾		

⁽¹⁾ Up to 5 % of the quota may consist of by-catches of whiting and haddock (OTH/*03A.). By-catches of whiting and haddock counted against the quota pursuant to this provision and by-catches of species counted against the quota pursuant to Article 15(8) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 shall, together, not exceed 9 % of the quota.

⁽²⁾ This quota may only be fished from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025.

⁽³⁾ Transfers of this quota may be effected to United Kingdom and Union waters of 2a and 4. However, such transfers shall be notified in advance to the Commission and to the United Kingdom.

Table 114	
Species: Sprat and associated by-catches <i>Sprattus sprattus</i>	Zone: United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (SPR/2AC4-C)
Belgium	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ Analytical TAC
Denmark	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾
Germany	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾
France	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾
Netherlands	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾
Sweden	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾
Union	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾
Norway	0 ⁽¹⁾
Faroe Islands	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽⁴⁾
United Kingdom	0 ⁽¹⁾
TAC	0 ⁽¹⁾
⁽¹⁾	The quota may only be fished from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025.
⁽²⁾	Up to 2 % of the quota may consist of by-catches of whiting (OTH/*2AC4C). By-catches of whiting counted against the quota pursuant to this provision and by-catches of species counted against the quota pursuant to Article 15(8) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 shall, together, not exceed 9 % of the quota.
⁽³⁾	Including sandeels.
⁽⁴⁾	May contain up to 4 % of by-catch of herring.

Table 115

Species:	Sprat <i>Sprattus sprattus</i>	Zone:	7d and 7e (SPR/7DE.)
Belgium	0 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	0 ⁽¹⁾		
Germany	0 ⁽¹⁾		
France	0 ⁽¹⁾		
Netherlands	0 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	0 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	0 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	0 ⁽¹⁾		

⁽¹⁾ The quota may only be fished from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025.

Table 116

Species:	Picked dogfish <i>Squalus acanthias</i>	Zone:	Union waters of 3a (DGS/03A-C.)
Denmark	347 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Sweden	816 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	1 163 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	1 163 ⁽¹⁾		

⁽¹⁾ In Union waters a maximum size of 100cm shall be respected and any catches above that size when caught accidentally, shall not be harmed and specimens shall be promptly released back into the sea.

Table 117

Species:	Picked dogfish <i>Squalus acanthias</i>	Zone:	Union and United Kingdom waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (DGS/2AC4-C)
Belgium	59 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Denmark	342 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Germany	62 ⁽¹⁾		
France	109 ⁽¹⁾		
Netherlands	94 ⁽¹⁾		
Sweden	5 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	671 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	2 862 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	3 533 ⁽¹⁾		
⁽¹⁾ In Union and United Kingdom waters a maximum size of 100cm shall be respected and any catches above that size when caught accidentally, shall not be harmed and specimens shall be promptly released back into the sea.			

Table 118

Species:	Picked dogfish <i>Squalus acanthias</i>	Zone:	6,7 and 8; United Kingdom and international waters of 5; International waters of 1, 12 and 14 (DGS/15X14)
Belgium	701 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Germany	150 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Spain	363 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
France	2 989 ⁽¹⁾		
Ireland	1 887 ⁽¹⁾		
Netherlands	10 ⁽¹⁾		
Portugal	15 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	6 115 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	5 089 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	11 204 ⁽¹⁾		
⁽¹⁾ In Union and United Kingdom waters a maximum size of 100cm shall be respected and any catches above that size when caught accidentally, shall not be harmed and specimens shall be promptly released back into the sea.			

Table 119

Species:	Horse mackerel and associated by-catches <i>Trachurus</i> spp.	Zone:	United Kingdom and Union waters of 4b, 4c and 7d (JAX/4BC7D)
			Precautionary TAC
Belgium	7 ⁽¹⁾		
Denmark	3 141 ⁽¹⁾		
Germany	277 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Spain	58 ⁽¹⁾		
France	261 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Ireland	198 ⁽¹⁾		
Netherlands	1 891 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Portugal	8 ⁽¹⁾		
Sweden	75 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	5 916		
Norway	0 ⁽³⁾		
United Kingdom	3 669 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
TAC	9 730		

⁽¹⁾ Up to 5 % of the quota may consist of by-catches of boarfishes, haddock, whiting and mackerel (OTH/*4BC7D). By-catches of boarfishes, haddock, whiting and mackerel counted against the quota pursuant to this provision and by-catches of species counted against the quota pursuant to Article 15(8) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 shall, together, not exceed 9 % of the quota.

⁽²⁾ Special condition: up to 5 % of this quota fished in division 7d may be accounted for as fished under the quota concerning the following zone: United Kingdom waters of 4a; 6, 7a-c, e-k; 8a-b, d-e; United Kingdom waters of 2a; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14 (JAX/*7D-EU).

⁽³⁾ May not be fished in Union waters of 7d.

Table 120

Species:	Horse mackerel and associated by-catches		Zone:
	<i>Trachurus</i> spp.		United Kingdom waters of 2a and 4a; 6, 7a-c, e-k; 8a-b, d-e; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14 (JAX/2A-14)
Denmark	1 224	(1)(2)(4)	Analytical TAC
Germany	955	(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Spain	1 303	(1)(5)	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
France	492	(1)(2)(3)(5)	
Ireland	3 182	(1)(2)	
Netherlands	3 833	(1)(2)(3)	
Portugal	126	(1)(5)	
Sweden	675	(1)(2)	
Union	11 790	(1)	
Faroe Islands	0	(1)(4)	
United Kingdom	1 244	(1)(2)(3)	
TAC	13 250	(1)	

(1) Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries for horse mackerel are permitted under this quota.

(2) Special condition: up to 5 % of this quota utilised in United Kingdom waters of 2a or 4a before 30 June may be accounted for as utilised under the quota concerning the zone of United Kingdom and Union waters of 4b, 4c and 7d (JAX/*2A4AC).

(3) Special condition: up to 5 % of this quota may be fished in 7d (JAX/*07D.).

(4) Limited to 4a, 6a (north of 56°30'N only), 7e, 7f, 7h.

(5) Special condition: up to 80 % of this quota may be fished in 8c (JAX/*08C2).

Table 121			
Species:	Horse mackerel <i>Trachurus</i> spp.		Zone: 8c (JAX/08C.)
Spain	1 878	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Analytical TAC
France	33	⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Portugal	186	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Union	2 097	⁽¹⁾	
TAC	2 097	⁽¹⁾	
⁽¹⁾	Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries for horse mackerel are permitted under this quota.		
⁽²⁾	Special condition: up to 10 % of this quota may be fished in 9 (JAX/*09.).		

Table 122			
Species:	Norway pout and associated by-catches <i>Trisopterus esmarkii</i>		Zone: 3a; United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (NOP/2A3A4.)
Year	2024	2025	Analytical TAC
Denmark	8 226 ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽⁶⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Germany	2 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽⁶⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Netherlands	6 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽⁶⁾	
Union	8 234 ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽⁶⁾	
Norway	2 058 ⁽⁴⁾	0 ⁽⁴⁾	
Faroe Islands	0 ⁽⁵⁾	0 ⁽⁵⁾	
United Kingdom	0 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	0 ⁽²⁾⁽⁶⁾	
TAC	10 292	0	
(1)	Up to 5 % of the quota may consist of by-catches of haddock and whiting (OT2/*2A3A4). By-catches of haddock and whiting counted against the quota pursuant to this provision and by-catches of species counted against the quota pursuant to Article 15(8) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 shall, together, not exceed 9 % of the quota.		
(2)	Quota may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of ICES zones 2a, 3a and 4 only.		
(3)	May only be fished from 1 November 2023 to 31 October 2024.		
(4)	A sorting grid shall be used.		
(5)	A sorting grid shall be used. Includes a maximum of 15 % of unavoidable by-catches (NOP/*2A3A4), to be counted against this quota.		
(6)	May only be fished from 1 November 2024 to 31 October 2025.		

Table 123

Species:	Industrial fish	Zone:	Norwegian waters of 4 (I/F/04-N.)
Sweden	800	(1)(2)	Precautionary TAC
Union	800		
TAC	Not relevant		
(1)	By-catches of cod, haddock, pollack, whiting and saithe to be counted against the quotas for these species.		
(2)	Special condition: of which no more than the following amount of horse mackerel (JAX/*04-N.): To be established		

Table 124

Species:	Other species	Zone:	Union waters of 6 and 7 (OTH/67-EU)
Union	Not relevant		Precautionary TAC
Norway	pm	(1)	
TAC	Not relevant		
(1)	Taken with longlines only.		

Table 125

Species :	Other species	Zone:	Norwegian waters of 4 (OTH/04-N.)
Belgium	14	Precautionary TAC	
Denmark	1 320		
Germany	149		
France	61		
Netherlands	106		
Sweden	Not relevant ⁽¹⁾		
Union	1 650 ⁽²⁾		
TAC	Not relevant		

⁽¹⁾ Quota of 'other species' allocated by Norway to Sweden at a traditional level.

⁽²⁾ Species not covered by other TACs.

Table 126

Species:	Other species	Zone:	Union waters of 4 and 6a north of 56°30'N (OTH/46AN-EU)
Union	Not relevant	Precautionary TAC	
Norway	500 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Faroe Islands	0		
TAC	Not relevant		

⁽¹⁾ Limited to 4 (OTH/*4-EU).

⁽²⁾ Species not covered by other TACs.

PART C

Quota-exchange mechanism for TACs for unavoidable by-catches

The TACs referred to in Article 8(4) of this Regulation are the following:

For Belgium: common sole in 7a; common sole in 7f and 7g; common sole in 7e; common sole in 8a and 8b; megrims in 7; haddock in 7b-k, 8, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1; Norway lobster in 7; cod in 7a; plaice in 7f and 7g; plaice in 7h, 7j and 7k; skates and rays in 6a, 6b, 7a-c and 7e-k.

For France: mackerel in 3a and 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a; Union waters of 3b, 3c and subdivisions 22-32; herring in 4, 7d and United Kingdom waters of 2a; horse mackerel in Union waters of 4b, 4c and 7d; whiting in 7b-k; haddock in 7b-k, 8, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1; common sole in 7f and 7g; whiting in 8; red seabream in 6, 7 and 8; boarfish in 6, 7 and 8; mackerel in 6, 7, 8a, 8b, 8d and 8e; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 2a, 12 and 14; skates and rays in United Kingdom and Union waters of 6a, 6b, 7a-c and 7e-k; skates and rays in Union waters of 7d; skates and rays in Union waters of 8 and 9; undulate ray in 7d and 7e.

For Ireland: anglerfish in 6; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14; anglerfish in 7; Norway lobster in functional unit 16 of subarea 7.

ANNEX IB

NORTH EAST ATLANTIC AND GREENLAND, ICES SUBAREAS 1, 2, 5, 12 AND 14
AND GREENLAND WATERS OF NAFO 1

Table 1			
Species:	Herring	Zone:	United Kingdom, Faroese, Norwegian and international waters of 1 and 2
	<i>Clupea harengus</i>		(HER/1/2-)
Belgium	8	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	7 797		
Germany	1 365		
Spain	26		
France	336		
Ireland	2 019		
Netherlands	2 791		
Poland	395		
Portugal	26		
Finland	121		
Sweden	2 889		
Union	17 773		
United Kingdom	Not relevant		
TAC	390 010		

Special condition: within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zones:

Norwegian waters north of 62°N and the fishery zone around Jan Mayen (HER/*2AJMN)

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2, 5b north of 62°N (Faroese waters) (HER/*25B-F)

Belgium	To be established
Denmark	To be established
Germany	To be established
Spain	To be established
France	To be established
Ireland	To be established
Netherlands	To be established
Poland	To be established
Portugal	To be established
Finland	To be established
Sweden	To be established

Table 2

Species:	Cod <i>Gadus morhua</i>	Zone:	Norwegian waters of 1 and 2 (COD/1N2AB.)
Germany	2 269	Analytical TAC	
Greece	282	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Spain	2 533	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Ireland	282		
France	2 084		
Portugal	2 533		
Union	9 983		
TAC	Not relevant		

Table 3

Species:	Cod	Zone:	Greenland waters of NAFO 1F and Greenland waters of 5, 12 and 14
	<i>Gadus morhua</i>		(COD/N1GL14)
Germany	1 950 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Union	1 950 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant		
⁽¹⁾	May not be fished from 1 March to 31 May within the 'Kleine Bank management area' bounded by the lines joining the following coordinates:		
	Point	Latitude	Longitude
	1	65°00'N	38°00'W
	2	65°00'N	35°15'W
	3	64°00'N	35°15'W
	4	64°00'N	38°00'W

Table 4

Species:	Cod <i>Gadus morhua</i>	Zone:	Svalbard waters; international waters of 1 and 2b (COD/1/2B.)
Germany	2 455 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Analytical TAC	
Spain	6 346 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
France	1 048 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Poland	1 151 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Portugal	1 340 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Other Member States	84 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾		
Union	12 424 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
TAC	Not relevant		

⁽¹⁾ The allocation of the share of the cod stock available to the Union in the Spitzbergen and Bear Island zone and the associated by-catches of haddock are without prejudice to the rights and obligations deriving from the 1920 Treaty of Paris.

⁽²⁾ By-catches of haddock may represent up to 14 % per haul. The by-catch quantities of haddock are in addition to the quota for cod.

⁽³⁾ Except Germany, Spain, France, Poland and Portugal. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (COD/1/2B_AMS).

Table 5

Species:	Cod and haddock <i>Gadus morhua</i> and <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Zone:	Faroese waters of 5b (C/H/05B-F.)
Germany	To be established	Analytical TAC	
France	To be established	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	To be established	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant		

Table 6

Species:	Grenadiers <i>Macrourus</i> spp.	Zone:	Greenland waters of 5 and 14 (GRV/514GRN)
Union	60 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant ⁽²⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
⁽¹⁾	Special condition: roundnose grenadier (<i>Coryphaenoides rupestris</i>) (RNG/514GRN) and roughhead grenadier (<i>Macrourus berglax</i>) (RHG/514GRN) shall not be targeted. They shall only be taken as by-catch and shall be reported separately.		
⁽²⁾	The amount below, in tonnes, is allocated to Norway. Special condition for this amount: roundnose grenadier (<i>Coryphaenoides rupestris</i>) (RNG/514GRN) and roughhead grenadier (<i>Macrourus berglax</i>) (RHG/514GRN) shall not be targeted. They shall only be taken as by-catch and shall be reported separately.		
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Table 7

Species:	Grenadiers <i>Macrourus</i> spp.	Zone:	Greenland waters of NAFO 1 (GRV/N1GRN.)
Union	45 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant ⁽²⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
⁽¹⁾	Special condition: roundnose grenadier (<i>Coryphaenoides rupestris</i>) (RNG/N1GRN.) and roughhead grenadier (<i>Macrourus berglax</i>) (RHG/N1GRN.) shall not be targeted. They shall only be taken as by-catch and shall be reported separately.		
⁽²⁾	The amount below, in tonnes, is allocated to Norway. Special condition for this amount: roundnose grenadier (<i>Coryphaenoides rupestris</i>) (RNG/N1GRN.) and roughhead grenadier (<i>Macrourus berglax</i>) (RHG/N1GRN.) shall not be targeted. They shall only be taken as by-catch and shall be reported separately.		
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Table 8

Species:	Capelin <i>Mallotus villosus</i>	Zone:	2b (CAP/02B.)
Union	0	Analytical TAC	
TAC	0		

Table 9

Species:	Capelin <i>Mallotus villosus</i>	Zone:	Greenland waters of 5 and 14 (CAP/514GRN)
Denmark	0	Analytical TAC	
Germany	0	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Sweden	0	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
All Member States	0 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	0 ⁽²⁾		
Norway	0 ⁽²⁾		
TAC	Not relevant		
⁽¹⁾	Denmark, Germany and Sweden may access the 'All Member States' quota only once they have exhausted their own quota. However, Member States with more than 10 % of the Union quota shall not access the 'All Member States' quota at all. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (CAP/514GRN_AMS).		
⁽²⁾	For a fishing period from 15 October 2024 to 15 April 2025.		

Table 10

Species:	Haddock <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Zone:	Norwegian waters of 1 and 2 (HAD/1N2AB.)
Germany	312	Analytical TAC	
France	188	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	500	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant		

Table 11

Species:	Blue whiting <i>Micromesistius poutassou</i>	Zone:	Faroese waters (WHB/2A4AXF)
Denmark	To be established	Analytical TAC	
Germany	To be established	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
France	To be established	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Netherlands	To be established		
Union	To be established ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	Not relevant		
⁽¹⁾	Unavoidable by-catches of greater silver smelt to be counted against this quota.		

Table 12

Species:	Ling and blue ling <i>Molva molva</i> and <i>molva dypterygia</i>	Zone:	Faroese waters of 5b (B/L/05B-F.)
Germany	To be established	Analytical TAC	
France	To be established	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	To be established ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	To be established		
⁽¹⁾	By-catches of roundnose grenadier and black scabbardfish may be counted against this quota, up to the following limit (OTH/*05B-F): To be established		

Table 13

Species:	Northern prawn <i>Pandalus borealis</i>	Zone:	Greenland waters of 5 and 14 (PRA/514GRN)
Denmark	1 650	Analytical TAC	
France	1 650	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	3 300	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Norway	1 700		
Faroe Islands	0		
TAC	Not relevant		

Table 14

Species:	Northern prawn <i>Pandalus borealis</i>	Zone:	Greenland waters of NAFO 1 (PRA/N1GRN.)
Denmark	1 250	Analytical TAC	
France	1 250	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	2 500	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant		

Table 15

Species:	Saithe <i>Pollachius virens</i>	Zone :	Norwegian waters of 1 and 2 (POK/1N2AB.)
Germany	474	Analytical TAC	
France	76	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	550	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant		

Table 16

Species:	Saithe <i>Pollachius virens</i>	Zone:	International waters of 1 and 2 (POK/1/2INT)
Union	0	Analytical TAC	
TAC	Not relevant		

Table 17

Species:	Saithe <i>Pollachius virens</i>	Zone:	Faroese waters of 5b (POK/05B-F.)
Belgium	To be established	Analytical TAC	
Germany	To be established	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
France	To be established	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Netherlands	To be established		
Union	To be established		
TAC	Not relevant		

Table 18

Species:	Greenland halibut <i>Reinhardtius hippoglossoides</i>	Zone:	Norwegian waters of 1 and 2 (GHL/1N2AB.)
Germany	175 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Union	175 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant		

⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.

Table 19

Species:	Greenland halibut <i>Reinhardtius hippoglossoides</i>	Zone:	International waters of 1 and 2 (GHL/1/2INT)
Union	1 711 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
TAC	Not relevant		
⁽¹⁾	Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.		

Table 20

Species:	Greenland halibut <i>Reinhardtius hippoglossoides</i>	Zone:	Greenland waters of NAFO 1 (GHL/N1G-S68)
Germany	1 700 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Union	1 700 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Norway	325 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant		
⁽¹⁾	To be fished south of 68°N.		

Table 21

Species:	Greenland halibut <i>Reinhardtius hippoglossoides</i>	Zone:	Greenland waters of 5, 12 and 14 (GHL/5-14GL)
Germany	4 000	Analytical TAC	
Union	4 000 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Norway	650	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Faroe Islands	0		
TAC	Not relevant		
⁽¹⁾	To be fished by no more than six fishing vessels at the same time.		

Table 22

Species:	Redfish <i>Sebastes mentella</i>	Zone:	Norwegian waters of 1 and 2 (REB/1N2AB.)
Germany	851	Analytical TAC	
Spain	106	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
France	93	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Portugal	450		
Union	1 500		
TAC	Not relevant		

Table 23

Species:	Redfish <i>Sebastes spp.</i>	Zone:	International waters of 1 and 2 (RED/1/2INT)
Union	To be established ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
		Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
⁽¹⁾	May only be fished from 1 July to 31 December. Fishing vessels shall limit their by-catches of redfish in other fisheries to a maximum of 1 % of the total catch retained on board		

Table 24

Species:	Redfish (pelagic) <i>Sebastes</i> spp.	Zone:	Greenland waters of NAFO 1F and Greenland waters of 5, 12 and 14 (RED/N1G14P)
Germany	0 (1)(2)(3)	Analytical TAC	
France	0 (1)(2)(3)	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	0 (1)(2)(3)	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Norway	0 (1)(2)		
Faroe Islands	0 (1)(2)(4)		
TAC	Not relevant		
(1)	May only be fished from 10 May to 31 December.		
(2)	May only be fished in Greenland waters within the Redfish Conservation Area bounded by the lines joining the following coordinates:		
	Point	Latitude	Longitude
	1	64°45'N	28°30'W
	2	62°50'N	25°45'W
	3	61°55'N	26°45'W
	4	61°00'N	26°30'W
	5	59°00'N	30°00'W
	6	59°00'N	34°00'W
	7	61°30'N	34°00'W
	8	62°50'N	36°00'W
	9	64°45'N	28°30'W
(3)	Special condition: this quota may also be fished in international waters of the Redfish Conservation Area mentioned above (RED/*5-14P).		
(4)	May only be fished in Greenland Waters of 5 and 14 (RED/*514GN).		

Table 25

Species:	Redfish (demersal) <i>Sebastes</i> spp.	Zone:	Greenland waters of NAFO 1F and Greenland waters of 5 and 14 (RED/N1G14D)
Germany	1 085 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
France	5 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	1 090 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant		
⁽¹⁾	May only be fished by trawl, and only North and West of the line defined by the following coordinates:		
	Point	Latitude	Longitude
	1	59°15'N	54°26'W
	2	59°15'N	44°00'W
	3	59°30'N	42°45'W
	4	60°00'N	42°00'W
	5	62°00'N	40°30'W
	6	62°00'N	40°00'W
	7	62°40'N	40°15'W
	8	63°09'N	39°40'W
	9	63°30'N	37°15'W
	10	64°20'N	35°00'W
	11	65°15'N	32°30'W
	12	65°15'N	29°50'W

Table 26

Species:	Redfish <i>Sebastes spp.</i>	Zone:	Faroese waters of 5b (RED/05B-F.)
Belgium	To be established	Analytical TAC	
Germany	To be established	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
France	To be established	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	To be established		
TAC	Not relevant		

Table 27

Species:	Other species	Zone:	Norwegian waters of 1 and 2 (OTH/1N2AB.)
Germany	125 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
France	50 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	175 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant		
⁽¹⁾	Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.		

Table 28

Species:	Other species ⁽¹⁾	Zone:	Faroese waters of 5b (OTH/05B-F.)
Germany	To be established	Analytical TAC	
France	To be established	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	To be established	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant		
⁽¹⁾	Excluding fish species of no commercial value.		

Table 29

Species:	Flatfishes	Zone:	Faroese waters of 5b (FLX/05B-F.)
Germany	To be established	Analytical TAC	
France	To be established	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	To be established	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant		

Table 30

Species:	By-catches ⁽¹⁾	Zone:	Greenland waters (B-C/GRL)
Union	600	Precautionary TAC	
		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	Not relevant		

⁽¹⁾ By-catches of grenadiers (*Macrourus* spp.) shall be reported in line with the following fishing opportunities tables: grenadiers in Greenland waters of 5 and 14 (GRV/514GRN) and grenadiers in Greenland waters of NAFO 1 (GRV/N1GRN.)

ANNEX IC

NORTH WEST ATLANTIC – NAFO CONVENTION AREA

Table 1

Species:	Cod <i>Gadus morhua</i>	Zone:	NAFO 2J3KL (COD/N2J3KL)
Union	0 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	0 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
⁽¹⁾	No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota. This species shall only be taken as by-catch within the following limits: a maximum of 1 250 kg or 5 %, whichever is greater.		

Table 2

Species:	Cod <i>Gadus morhua</i>	Zone:	NAFO 3NO (COD/N3NO.)
Union	0 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	0 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
⁽¹⁾	No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota. This species shall only be taken as by-catch within the following limits: a maximum of 1 000 kg or 4 %, whichever is greater.		

Table 3

Species:	Cod <i>Gadus morhua</i>	Zone:	NAFO 3M (COD/N3M.)
Estonia	130,0 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Germany	545,0 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Latvia	130,0 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Lithuania	130,0 ⁽¹⁾		
Poland	444,0 ⁽¹⁾		
Spain	1 675,0 ⁽¹⁾		
France	234,0 ⁽¹⁾		
Portugal	2 297,9 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	5 585,9 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	11 708 ⁽¹⁾		

⁽¹⁾ No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota between 00:00 UTC 1 January and 24:00 UTC 31 March. During this period, this species shall only be taken as by-catch within the following limits: a maximum of 1 250 kg or 5 %, whichever is greater.

Table 4

Species:	Witch flounder <i>Glyptocephalus cynoglossus</i>	Zone:	NAFO 3L (WIT/N3L.)
Union	0 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
		Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	0 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	

⁽¹⁾ No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota. This species shall only be taken as by-catch within the following limits: a maximum of 1 250 kg or 5 %, whichever is greater.

Table 5

Species:	Witch flounder <i>Glyptocephalus cynoglossus</i>	Zone:	NAFO 3NO (WIT/N3NO.)
Estonia	61	Analytical TAC	
Latvia	60	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Lithuania	60	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	181		
TAC	1 367		

Table 6

Species:	American plaice <i>Hippoglossoides platessoides</i>	Zone:	NAFO 3M (PLA/N3M.)
Union	0 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
		Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	0 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	

⁽¹⁾ No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota. This species shall only be taken as by-catch within the following limits: a maximum of 1 250 kg or 5 %, whichever is greater.

Table 7

Species:	American plaice <i>Hippoglossoides platessoides</i>	Zone:	NAFO 3LNO (PLA/N3LNO.)
Union	0 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
		Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	0 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	

⁽¹⁾ No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota. This species shall only be taken as by-catch within the following limits: a maximum of 1 250 kg or 5 %, whichever is greater.

Table 8

Species:	Shortfin squid <i>Illex illecebrosus</i>	Zone:	NAFO subareas 3 and 4 (SQI/N34.)
Estonia	128 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Analytical TAC	
Latvia	128 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Lithuania	128 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Poland	227 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Other Member States	29 467 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾		
Union	30 078 ⁽¹⁾⁽⁴⁾		
TAC	34 000		
⁽¹⁾	No vessel may fish for squid between 00:00 UTC on 1 January to 24:00 UTC on 30 June.		
⁽²⁾	Between 1 July to 31 December, during a maximum 2-week exemption period, up to a total of three hauls in which any other species for which this Regulation establishes fishing opportunities in the NAFO Convention area and other than squid comprises the largest percentage by weight of the total catch in the haul shall not be considered a directed fishery, provided that the fishing vessel carries on board a control observer, uses a mesh size no smaller than 60mm, and complies with the NAFO notification and reporting requirements to make use of that 2-week exemption period. After each such haul, the fishing vessel shall immediately move a minimum of 10 nautical miles from any position of the previous haul throughout the subsequent haul.		
⁽³⁾	This quantity is available to Canada and the Member States except Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Poland. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (SQI/N34_AMS).		
⁽⁴⁾	Corresponds to the sum of the quotas of Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Poland and the Union's unspecified share available to Canada and the Member States except Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Poland.		

Table 9

Species:	Yellowtail flounder <i>Limanda ferruginea</i>	Zone:	NAFO 3LNO (YEL/N3LNO.)
Union	0 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	15 560	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
⁽¹⁾	<p>No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota. This species shall only be taken as by-catch within the following limits: a maximum of 2 500 kg or 10 %, whichever is greater. However, if the Union is assigned an 'Others' quota, once the 'Others' quota is exhausted, the by-catch limits shall be as follows: a maximum of 1 250 kg or 5 %, whichever is greater.</p> <p>However, if following quota transfers or exchanges or charter, directed fisheries are conducted, the following shall apply:</p> <p>(a) a by-catch of 15 % of American plaice is permitted. However, if a fishing vessel is carrying an observer:</p> <p>(i) this maxima shall be 2 900 kg or 15 % of American plaice, whichever the greater; and</p> <p>(ii) a vessel may exceed the maxima referred to in point (i) for by-catches of American plaice retained on board during the first 9 fishing days in the NAFO Regulatory Area, provided that American plaice by-catch represents 15 % or less by the end of that period or when the vessel leaves the NAFO Regulatory Area, whichever occurs first;</p> <p>(b) the first two times that catches of American plaice comprise the largest percentage by weight of the total catch in a haul, such catches shall be considered as incidental catch, but the vessel shall immediately move a minimum of 10 nautical miles from any position of the previous haul throughout the subsequent haul.</p>		

Table 10

Species:	Capelin <i>Mallotus villosus</i>	Zone:	NAFO 3NO (CAP/N3NO.)
Union	0 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	0 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
⁽¹⁾	<p>No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota. This species shall only be taken as by-catch within the following limits: a maximum of 1 250 kg or 5 %, whichever is greater.</p>		

Table 11

Species:	Northern prawn <i>Pandalus borealis</i>	Zone:	NAFO 3LNO ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ (PRA/N3LNOX)
Estonia	0 ⁽³⁾	Analytical TAC	
Latvia	0 ⁽³⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Lithuania	0 ⁽³⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Poland	0 ⁽³⁾		
Spain	0 ⁽³⁾		
Portugal	0 ⁽³⁾		
Union	0 ⁽³⁾		
TAC	0 ⁽³⁾		

⁽¹⁾ Not including the box bounded by the following coordinates:

Point No	Latitude	Longitude
1	47°20'00"N	46°40'00"W
2	47°20'00"N	46°30'00"W
3	46°00'00"N	46°30'00"W
4	46°00'00"N	46°40'00"W

⁽²⁾ Fishing is prohibited at a depth less than 200 metres in the area west of a line bound by the following coordinates:

Point No	Latitude	Longitude
1	46°00'00"N	47°49'00"W
2	46°25'00"N	47°27'00"W
3	46°42'00"N	47°25'00"W
4	46°48'00"N	47°25'50"W
5	47°16'50"N	47°43'50"W

⁽³⁾ No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota. This species shall only be taken as by-catch within the following limits: a maximum of 1 250 kg or 5 %, whichever is greater.

Table 12

Species:	Northern prawn <i>Pandalus borealis</i>	Zone:	NAFO 3M ⁽¹⁾ (PRA/*N3M.)
TAC	Not relevant ⁽²⁾	Analytical TAC	
⁽¹⁾	Vessels may also fish this stock in division 3L in the box bounded by the following coordinates:		
	Point No	Latitude	Longitude
	1	47°20'00"N	46°40'00"W
	2	47°20'00"N	46°30'00"W
	3	46°00'00"N	46°30'00"W
	4	46°00'00"N	46°40'00"W
	Moreover, fishing for shrimp is prohibited from 1 June to 31 December in the area bounded by the following coordinates:		
	Point No	Latitude	Longitude
	1	47°55'00"N	45°00'00"W
	2	47°30'00"N	44°15'00"W
	3	46°55'00"N	44°15'00"W
	4	46°35'00"N	44°30'00"W
	5	46°35'00"N	45°40'00"W
	6	47°30'00"N	45°40'00"W
	7	47°55'00"N	45°00'00"W
⁽²⁾	Not relevant. Fishery managed by limitations in fishing effort (EFF/*N3M.). The Member States concerned shall issue fishing authorisations for their fishing vessels engaging in this fishery and shall notify those authorisations to the Commission prior to the beginning of the vessel's activity, in accordance with Article 7 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009.		
	Member State	Maximum number of fishing days	
	Denmark	0	
	Estonia	0	
	Spain	0	
	Latvia	0	
	Lithuania	0	
	Poland	0	
	Portugal	0	

Table 13

Species:	Greenland halibut <i>Reinhardtius hippoglossoides</i>	Zone:	NAFO 3LMNO (GHL/N3LMNO)
Estonia	304	Analytical TAC	
Germany	311	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Latvia	43	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Lithuania	22		
Spain	4 162		
Portugal	1 741		
Union	6 583		
TAC	11 228		

Table 14

Species:	Skates <i>Rajidae</i>	Zone:	NAFO 3LNO (SKA/N3LNO.)
Estonia	283	Analytical TAC	
Lithuania	62	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Spain	3 403	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Portugal	660		
Union	4 408		
TAC	7 000		

Table 15

Species:	Redfishes <i>Sebastes</i> spp.	Zone:	NAFO 3LN (RED/N3LN.)
Estonia	895	Analytical TAC	
Germany	615	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Latvia	895	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Lithuania	895		
Union	3 300		
TAC	18 100		

Table 16

Species:	Redfishes <i>Sebastes</i> spp.	Zone:	NAFO 3M (RED/N3M.)
Estonia	1 571 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Germany	513 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Latvia	1 571 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Lithuania	1 571 ⁽¹⁾		
Spain	233 ⁽¹⁾		
Portugal	2 354 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	7 813 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	17 503 ⁽¹⁾		

⁽¹⁾ This quota is subject to compliance with the TAC, which is established for this stock for all NAFO Contracting Parties. Within this TAC, no more than the following mid-term limit may be fished before 1 July:

8 752

Table 17

Species:	Redfishes <i>Sebastes</i> spp.	Zone:	NAFO 3O (RED/N3O.)
Spain	1 771	Analytical TAC	
Portugal	5 229	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	7 000	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	20 000		

Table 18

Species:	Redfishes <i>Sebastes</i> spp.	Zone:	NAFO subarea 2, divisions 1F and 3K (RED/N1F3K.)
Latvia	0 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Lithuania	0 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	0 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	0 ⁽¹⁾		

⁽¹⁾ No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota. This species shall only be taken as by-catch within the following limits: a maximum of 1 250 kg or 5 %, whichever is greater.

Table 19

Species:	White hake <i>Urophycis tenuis</i>	Zone:	NAFO 3NO (HKW/N3NO.)
Spain	255	Analytical TAC	
Portugal	333	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	588 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	1 000		
⁽¹⁾	Where, according to NAFO rules, a positive vote by the NAFO Contracting Parties confirms the TAC to be 2 000 tonnes, the corresponding Union and Member State quotas shall be as below:		
	Spain	509	
	Portugal	667	
	Union	1 176	

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Table 1

Species:	Sailfish <i>Istiophorus albicans</i>	Zone:	Atlantic Ocean, east of 45°W (SAI/AE45W)
TAC	1 271,00	Analytical TAC Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	

Table 2

Species:	Sailfish <i>Istiophorus albicans</i>	Zone:	Atlantic Ocean, west of 45°W (SAI/AW45W)
TAC	1 030,00	Analytical TAC Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	

Table 3

Species:	Blue marlin <i>Makaira nigricans</i>	Zone:	Atlantic Ocean (BUM/ATLANT)
Spain	22,77	Analytical TAC	
France	332,82	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Portugal	46,21	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	401,80		
TAC	1 670		

Table 4

Species:	Blue shark <i>Prionace glauca</i>	Zone:	Atlantic Ocean, north of 5°N (BSH/AN05N)
Ireland	0,72	Analytical TAC	
Spain	20 309,50	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
France	113,96	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Portugal	4 024,82		
Union	24 449,00 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	30 000		
⁽¹⁾ After transfer of 348 tonnes to Morocco.			

Table 5

Species:	Blue shark <i>Prionace glauca</i>	Zone:	Atlantic Ocean, south of 5°N (BSH/AS05N)
Spain	12 498,27	Analytical TAC	
Portugal	4 906,73	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	17 405,00	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	27 711,00		

Table 6

Species:	White marlin <i>Tetrapturus albidus</i>	Zone:	Atlantic Ocean (WHM/ATLANT)
Spain	30,50	Analytical TAC	
Portugal	19,50	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	50,00	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	355		

Table 7

Species:	Northern Albacore <i>Thunnus alalunga</i>	Zone:	Atlantic Ocean, north of 5°N (ALB/AN05N)
Ireland	3 967,52	Analytical TAC	
Spain	22 362,40	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
France	7 033,33	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Portugal	2 452,65		
Union	35 815,90	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
TAC	47 251		
⁽¹⁾	The number of Union fishing vessels fishing for Northern albacore as a target species shall be: 1 241.		
⁽²⁾	Special condition: Within the limit of this quota, no more than the following quantity may be taken in United Kingdom waters (ALB/*AN05N-UK): 280,00.		

Table 8

Species:	Southern Albacore <i>Thunnus alalunga</i>	Zone:	Atlantic Ocean, south of 5°N (ALB/AS05N)
Spain	870,12	Analytical TAC	
France	285,95	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Portugal	608,93	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	1 765,00		
TAC	28 000		

Table 9

Species:	Mediterranean Albacore <i>Thunnus alalunga</i>	Zone:	Mediterranean Sea (ALB/MED)
Greece	399,12	Analytical TAC	
Spain	103,03	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
France	14,97	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Croatia	6,98		
Italy	1 168,74		
Cyprus	430,99		
Malta	41,10		
Union	2 164,93	⁽⁴⁾	
TAC	2 500	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	
⁽¹⁾	In order to protect juvenile swordfish, a closure period shall also apply to longline vessels targeting Mediterranean albacore from 1 October to 30 November. In addition, Mediterranean albacore, either as a targeted species or as by-catch, shall not be caught, retained on board, transhipped or landed during the following periods: - Greece, Croatia, Italy and Cyprus: 1 October to 30 November and 1 to 31 March; - Spain, France and Malta: 1 January to 31 March.		
⁽²⁾	Each Member State shall limit the number of their fishing vessels authorised to fish for Mediterranean albacore to the number of fishing vessels authorised to fish this species in 2017. Member States may apply a tolerance of 10 % to this capacity limit.		
⁽³⁾	Special condition: by-catches of albacore are to be counted against this quota, but shall be reported separately (ALB/MED-BC). Dead catches of albacore from sport and recreational fisheries are to be counted against this quota, but shall be reported separately (ALB/MED-SR).		
⁽⁴⁾	After transfer of 75 tonnes from Türkiye.		

Table 10

Species:	Yellowfin tuna <i>Thunnus albacares</i>	Zone:	Atlantic Ocean (YFT/ATLANT)
TAC	110 000 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
⁽¹⁾ Catches of yellowfin tuna by purse seiners (YFT/*ATLPS) and longliners with an overall length of 20 metres and above (YFT/*ATLLL) shall be reported separately.			

Table 11

Species:	Bigeye tuna <i>Thunnus obesus</i>	Zone:	Atlantic Ocean (BET/ATLANT)
Spain	7 438,09 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
France	3 159,38 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Portugal	2 823,84 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	13 421,31 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	62 000 ⁽¹⁾		
⁽¹⁾ Catches of bigeye tuna by purse seiners (BET/*ATLPS) and longliners with an overall length of 20 metres and above (BET/*ATLLL) shall be reported separately. As of June, when catches reach 80 % of the quota, Member States are required to transmit the catches for these fishing vessels on a weekly basis.			

Table 12

Species:	Bluefin tuna <i>Thunnus thynnus</i>		Zone:	Atlantic Ocean, east of 45°W, and Mediterranean (BFT/AE45WM)
Cyprus	188,09	(4)	Analytical TAC	
Greece	349,61		Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Spain	6 783,67	(2)(4)	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
France	6 693,70	(2)(3)(4)		
Croatia	1 057,97	(6)		
Italy	5 283,00	(4)(5)		
Malta	433,43	(4)		
Portugal	637,88			
Other Member States	75,65	(1)		
Union	21 503,00	(2)(3)(4)(5)		
TAC	40 570	(1)		

(1) Except Cyprus, Greece, Spain, France, Croatia, Italy, Malta and Portugal, and exclusively as by-catch. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (BFT/AE45WM_AMS).

(2) Special condition: within this TAC, the following catch limits and allocation between Member States shall apply to catches of bluefin tuna between 8 kg/75 cm and 30 kg/115 cm by the vessels referred to in point 1 of Annex VI (BFT/*8301):

Spain	1 027,76
France	477,45
Union	1 505,21

(3) Special condition: within this TAC, the following catch limits and allocation between Member States shall apply to catches of bluefin tuna weighing no less than 6,4 kg or measuring no less than 70 cm by the vessels referred to in point 1 of Annex VI (BFT/*641):

France	100,00
Union	100,00

- (4) Special condition: within this TAC, the following catch limits and allocations between Member States shall apply to catches of bluefin tuna between 8 kg/75 cm and 30 kg/115 cm by the vessels referred to in point 2 of Annex VI (BFT/*8302):

Spain	135,67
France	133,87
Italy	105,66
Cyprus	3,76
Malta	8,67
Union	387,63

- (5) Special condition: within this TAC, the following catch limits and allocations between Member States shall apply to catches of bluefin tuna between 8 kg/75 cm and 30 kg/115 cm by the vessels referred to in point 3 of Annex VI (BFT/*643):

Italy	105,66
Union	105,66

- (5) Special condition: within this TAC, the following catch limits and allocations between Member States shall apply to catches of bluefin tuna between 8 kg/75 cm and 30 kg/115 cm by the vessels referred to in point 3 of Annex VI for farming purposes (BFT/*8303F):

Croatia	952,17
Union	52,17

Table 13

Species:	Shortfin mako <i>Isurus oxyrinchus</i>	Zone:	Atlantic Ocean, south of 5°N (SMA/AS05N)
Union	503,00 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
		Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	1 325 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
⁽¹⁾	Quota set for the purpose of implementing a Union retention allowance for this stock.		
⁽²⁾	Exclusively for by-catches.		

Table 14

Species:	Swordfish <i>Xiphias gladius</i>		Zone:	Atlantic Ocean, north of 5°N (SWO/AN05N)
Spain	5 525,49	⁽²⁾	Analytical TAC	
Portugal	1 004,27	⁽²⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Other Member States	147,57	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	6 677,33			
TAC	13 200			

⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (SWO/AN05N_AMS).

⁽²⁾ Special condition: up to 2,39 % of this quantity may be fished in the Atlantic Ocean, south of 5°N (SWO/*AS05N). Catches to be counted against the special condition of the shared quota shall be reported separately (SWO/*AS05N_AMS).

Table 15

Species:	Swordfish <i>Xiphias gladius</i>		Zone:	Atlantic Ocean, south of 5°N (SWO/AS05N)
Spain	4 525,88	⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Portugal	298,12	⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	4 824,00		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
TAC	10 000			

⁽¹⁾ Special condition: up to 3,51 % of this quantity may be fished in the Atlantic Ocean, north of 5°N (SWO/*AN05N).

Table 16

Species:	Swordfish <i>Xiphias gladius</i>		Zone:	Mediterranean Sea (SWO/MED)
Croatia	13,74	(1)(2)	Analytical TAC	
Cyprus	50,67	(1)(2)	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Spain	1 565,04	(1)(2)	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
France	109,08	(1)(2)		
Greece	1 036,02	(1)(2)		
Italy	3 208,46	(1)(2)		
Malta	380,64	(1)(2)		
Union	6 363,63	(1)(2)		
TAC	9 017			

(1) This quota may only be fished from 1 April to 31 December.

(2) Special condition: by-catches of Mediterranean swordfish are to be counted against this quota, but shall be reported separately (SWO/MED-BC). Dead catches of Mediterranean swordfish from sport and recreational fisheries are to be counted against this quota, but shall be reported separately (SWO/MED-SR).

ANNEX IE

SOUTH-EAST ATLANTIC OCEAN – SEAFO CONVENTION AREA

The TACs set out in this Annex are not allocated to the Contracting Parties of SEAFO and hence the Union's share is undetermined. Catches are monitored by the SEAFO Secretariat which will communicate to the SEAFO Contracting Parties when fishing is to be ceased due to a TAC exhaustion.

Table 1

Species:	Alfonsinos <i>Beryx</i> spp.	Zone:	SEAFO (ALF/SEAFO)
TAC	200 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
⁽¹⁾	No more than 132tonnes may be taken in subdivision B1 (ALF/*F47NA).		

Table 2

Species:	Deep-sea red crabs <i>Chaceon</i> spp.	Zone:	SEAFO subdivision B1 ⁽¹⁾ (GER/F47NAM)
TAC	162 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
⁽¹⁾	For the purpose of this TAC, the area open to the fishery is defined as having: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – its western boundary on the longitude 0°E, – its northern boundary on the latitude 20°S, – its southern boundary on the latitude 28°S, and – the eastern boundary outer limits of the Namibian exclusive economic zone. 		

Table 3

Species:	Deep-sea red crabs <i>Chaceon</i> spp.	Zone:	SEAFO, excluding subdivision B1 (GER/F47X)
TAC	200	Precautionary TAC	

Table 4

Species:	Patagonian toothfish <i>Dissostichus eleginoides</i>	Zone:	SEAFO subarea D (TOP/F47D)
TAC	261	Precautionary TAC	

Table 5

Species:	Patagonian toothfish <i>Dissostichus eleginoides</i>	Zone:	SEAFO, excluding subarea D (TOP/F47-D)
TAC	0	Precautionary TAC	

Table 6

Species:	Orange roughy <i>Hoplostethus atlanticus</i>	Zone:	SEAFO subdivision B1 ⁽¹⁾ (ORY/F47NAM)
TAC	0 ⁽²⁾	Precautionary TAC	

⁽¹⁾ For the purpose of this Annex, the area open to the fishery is defined as having:

- its western boundary on the longitude 0°E,
- its northern boundary on the latitude 20°S,
- its southern boundary on the latitude 28°S, and
- the eastern boundary outer limits of the Namibian exclusive economic zone.

⁽²⁾ Except for a by-catch allowance of four tonnes (ORY/*F47NA).

Table 7

Species:	Orange roughy <i>Hoplostethus atlanticus</i>	Zone:	SEAFO, excluding subdivision B1 (ORY/F47X)
TAC	50	Precautionary TAC	

Table 8

Species:	Pelagic armourheads <i>Pseudopentaceros</i> spp.	Zone:	SEAFO (EDW/SEAFO)
TAC	135	Precautionary TAC	

ANNEX IF

SOUTHERN BLUEFIN TUNA – AREAS OF DISTRIBUTION

Species:	Southern bluefin tuna <i>Thunnus maccoyii</i>	Zone:	All areas of distribution (SBF/F41-81)
Union	13 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
TAC	13	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.			

ANNEX IG

WCPFC CONVENTION AREA

Table 1

Species:	Bigeye tuna <i>Thunnus obesus</i>	Zone:	WCPFC Convention area south of 20°S (BET/F7120S)
Portugal	To be established ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Spain	To be established ⁽¹⁾		
Union	To be established ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	Not relevant ⁽¹⁾		
⁽¹⁾ This quota may only be fished by vessels using longlines.			

Table 2

Species:	Swordfish <i>Xiphias gladius</i>	Zone:	WCPFC Convention area south of 20°S (SWO/F7120S)
Union	To be established	Precautionary TAC	
TAC	Not relevant		

ANNEX IH

SPRFMO CONVENTION AREA

Table 1

TAC	To be established ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC
	Species: Toothfishes <i>Dissostichus</i> spp.	Zone: SPRFMO Convention area (TOT/SPR-RB)
⁽¹⁾	<p>This annual TAC is for exploratory fisheries only. Fishing shall be limited to one trip of a maximum duration of 60 consecutive days which may occur any time between 1 May and 15 November 2024. From 1 to 15 November 2024, longlines shall be set at night-time only and all fishing shall cease immediately if the death of the following occurs:</p> <p>a) one of any of the following species: wandering albatross (<i>Diomedea exulans</i>), grey-headed albatross (<i>Thalassarche chrysostoma</i>), black-browed albatross (<i>Thalassarche melanophris</i>), grey petrel (<i>Procellaria cinerea</i>), soft-plumaged petrel (<i>Pterodroma mollis</i>); or</p> <p>b) three individuals of any of the following species: light-mantled albatross (<i>Phoebetria palpebrata</i>), southern giant petrel (<i>Macronectes giganteus</i>) and northern giant petrel (<i>Macronectes halli</i>).</p> <p>Fishing shall further be limited to a maximum number of 5 000 hooks per set, with a maximum of 120 sets. Longlines shall be set at least 3 nautical miles apart from each other, and not set at previous longline locations within one calendar year. Fishing shall cease either when the TAC is reached or if 120 sets have been set and hauled during the trip, whichever is earlier. Fishing shall be limited to depths between 600 m and 2 500 m and only take place within the following research block:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - NW 50°30'S, 136°E - NE 50°30'S, 140°30'E - E-Indent 52°45'S, 140°30'E - E-corner 52°45'S, 145°30'E - SE 54°50'S, 145°30'E - SW 54°50'S, 136°E 	

Species:	Jack mackerel <i>Trachurus murphyi</i>	Zone:	SPRFMO Convention area (CJM/SPRFMO)
Germany	To be established	Analytical TAC	
Netherlands	To be established	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Lithuania	To be established	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Poland	To be established		
Union	To be established		
TAC	To be established		

ANNEX IJ

IOTC AREA OF COMPETENCE

Table 1

Species:	Yellowfin tuna <i>Thunnus albacares</i>	Zone:	IOTC Area of Competence (YFT/IOTC)
France	27 710	Analytical TAC	
Italy	2 365	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply.	
Spain	42 903	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply.	
Portugal	100 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	73 078		
TAC	Not relevant		
⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.			

Table 2

Species:	Bigeye tuna <i>Thunnus obesus</i>	Zone:	IOTC Area of Competence (BET/IOTC)
France	3700	Analytical TAC	
Italy	410	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply.	
Spain	12 862	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply.	
Portugal	38 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	17 010		
TAC	Not relevant		
⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.			

ANNEX IK

SIOFA AGREEMENT AREA

Table 1

Species:	Portuguese dogfish <i>Centroscymnus coelolepis</i>	Zone:	SIOFA subarea 2 ⁽¹⁾ (CYO/F517S2)
TAC	767,6 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	Precautionary TAC	
⁽¹⁾	International waters in FAO subarea 51.7 bounded: - to the south, by latitude 36°00'S, - to the east, by longitude 49°00'E, - to the west, by longitude 40°00'E - to the north, by the adjacent exclusive economic zones.		
⁽²⁾	The by-catch allowance set out above is not allocated between SIOFA Parties, hence the Union's share is undetermined.		
⁽³⁾	Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this by-catch allowance. Once the by-catch allowance is exhausted, the SIOFA Secretariat will notify SIOFA Contracting Parties. On receiving that notification that the by-catch allowance has been exhausted, Member States shall ensure that their vessels fishing in SIOFA subarea 2 do not retain any Portuguese dogfish for the remainder of the year. That retention prohibition shall apply to any lines in the water following the notification of the SIOFA Secretariat that the by-catch allowance has been exhausted. Vessels with lines in the water at the time that the notification is received may retain Portuguese dogfish that are dead at time of haul and shall release all live Portuguese dogfish on such lines.		

Table 2

Species:	Toothfishes <i>Dissostichus</i> spp.	Zone:	Del Cano Area ⁽¹⁾ (TOT/F517DC)
Union	18,33 ⁽²⁾	Precautionary TAC	
TAC	55 ⁽²⁾		

- ⁽¹⁾ International waters in FAO subarea 51.7 bounded:
- to the north, by latitude 44°00'S when west of 44°09'E and by latitude 43°30'S when east of 44°09'E,
 - to the south, by latitude 45°00'S,
 - to the west and east by the adjacent exclusive economic zones.

- ⁽²⁾ May only be fished by fishing vessels with observers on board and using longlines during the fishing season from 1 December 2023 to 30 November 2024. Longlines shall not exceed 3 000 hooks per line and shall be set at minimum three nautical miles from each other.

Catches of vessels not targeting this species shall not exceed 0,5 tonnes of *Dissostichus* spp. per fishing season. When a vessel reaches this limit, it may no longer fish in Del Cano Area.

Table 3

Species:	Toothfishes <i>Dissostichus</i> spp.	Zone:	Williams Ridge ⁽¹⁾ (TOT/F574WR)
TAC	140 ⁽²⁾	Precautionary TAC	

- ⁽¹⁾ Area of FAO subarea 57.4 bounded by the following coordinates:

Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	52°30'00"S	80°00'00"E
2	55°00'00"S	80°00'00"E
3	55°00'00"S	85°00'00"E
4	52°30'00"S	85°00'00"E

- ⁽²⁾ The TAC set out above is not allocated between SIOFA Parties, hence the Union's share is undetermined. It may only be fished by fishing vessels with observers on board during the fishing season from 1 December 2023 to 30 November 2024. No more than two longlines not exceeding 6 250 hooks shall be set per grid cell established by SIOFA and an interval of at least 30 days shall apply between fishing trips according to the access conditions established by SIOFA. Catches of vessels not targeting this species shall not exceed 0,5 tonnes of *Dissostichus* spp. Per fishing season. When a fishing vessel reaches this limit, it shall no longer fish in Williams Ridge.

Interim Protected Areas

Atlantis Bank

Point	Latitude (S)	Longitude (E)
1	32°00'	57°00'
2	32°50'	57°00'
3	32°50'	58°00'
4	32°00'	58°00'

Coral

Point	Latitude (S)	Longitude (E)
1	41°00'	42°00'
2	41°40'	42°00'
3	41°40'	44°00'
4	41°00'	44°00'

Fools Flat

Point	Latitude (S)	Longitude (E)
1	31°30'	94°40'
2	31°40'	94°40'
3	31°40'	95°00'
4	31°30'	95°00'

Middle of What

Point	Latitude (S)	Longitude (E)
1	37°54'	50°23'
2	37°56'30"	50°23'
3	37°56'30"	50°27'
4	37°54'	50°27'

Walter's Shoal

Point	Latitude (S)	Longitude (E)
1	33°00'	43°10'
2	33°20'	43°10'
3	33°20'	44°10'
4	33°00'	44°10'

ANNEX II

IATTC CONVENTION AREA

Species:	Bigeye tuna <i>Thunnus obesus</i>	Zone:	IATTC Convention area (BET/IATTC)
Union	500 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
TAC	Not relevant		
⁽¹⁾	This quota may only be fished by vessels using longlines.		

ANNEX II

FISHING EFFORT FOR FISHING VESSELS IN THE CONTEXT
OF THE MANAGEMENT OF WESTERN CHANNEL
SOLE STOCKS IN ICES DIVISION 7e

Chapter I
General provisions

1. SCOPE
 - 1.1. This Annex shall apply to Union fishing vessels of 10 metres length overall or more carrying on board or deploying beam trawls of mesh size equal to or greater than 80 mm as well as static nets, including gillnets, trammel nets and tangle nets, with mesh size equal to or less than 220 mm in accordance with Article 12(2) of Regulation (EU) 2019/472, and present in ICES division 7e.
 - 1.2. Fishing vessels fishing with static nets with mesh size equal to or greater than 120 mm and with track records of less than 300 kg live weight of sole per year during the three previous years, according to their fishing records, shall be exempt from the application of this Annex subject to the following conditions:
 - (a) such fishing vessels caught less than 300 kg live weight of sole during the 2022 management period;

- (b) such fishing vessels do not tranship any fish at sea to another vessel;
- (c) by 31 July 2024 and 31 January 2025 each Member State concerned submits a report to the Commission on those fishing vessels' catch records for sole in the three previous years as well as on catches of sole in 2024.

Where any of those conditions is not met, the fishing vessels concerned shall cease to be exempt from the application of this Annex, with immediate effect.

2. DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this Annex, the following definitions apply:

- (a) 'gear grouping' means the grouping consisting of the following two gear categories:
 - (i) beam trawls of mesh size equal to or greater than 80 mm; and
 - (ii) static nets, including gillnets, trammel nets and tangle nets, with mesh size equal to or less than 220 mm;
- (b) 'regulated gear' means any of the two gear categories belonging to the gear grouping;
- (c) 'the area' means ICES division 7e;
- (d) 'current management period' means the period from 1 February 2024 to 31 January 2025.

3. LIMITATION IN ACTIVITY

Without prejudice to Article 29 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009, each Member State shall ensure that, when carrying on board any regulated gear, Union fishing vessels flying its flag and registered in the Union are present within the area for no more than the number of days set out in Chapter III of this Annex.

Chapter II Authorisations

4. AUTHORISED FISHING VESSELS

- 4.1. A Member State shall not authorise fishing with regulated gear in the area by any fishing vessel flying its flag which has no record of such fishing activity in the area in the period from 2002 to 2022, excluding the record of fishing activities as a result of transfer of days between fishing vessels, unless it ensures that the equivalent capacity, measured in kilowatts, is prevented from fishing in the area.
- 4.2. However, a fishing vessel with a track record of using a regulated gear may be authorised to use a different fishing gear, provided that the number of days allocated to the different fishing gear is equal to or greater than the number of days allocated to the regulated gear.

- 4.3. A fishing vessel flying the flag of a Member State which has no quotas in the area shall not be authorised to fish in the area with regulated gear unless the fishing vessel is allocated a quota following a transfer carried out in accordance with Article 16(8) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 and is allocated days at sea in accordance with point 10 or 11 of this Annex.

Chapter III

Number of days present within the area allocated to Union fishing vessels

5. MAXIMUM NUMBER OF DAYS

During the current management period, the maximum number of days at sea for which a Member State may authorise a fishing vessel flying its flag to be present within the area when carrying on board any regulated gear is set out in Table I.

Table I

Maximum number of days a fishing vessel may be present
within the area by category of regulated gear during the current management period

Regulated gear	Maximum number of days	
Beam trawls of mesh size \geq 80 mm	Belgium	176
	France	188
Static nets with mesh size \leq 220 mm	Belgium	176
	France	191

6. KILOWATT DAYS SYSTEM

- 6.1. During the current management period, a Member State may manage its fishing effort allocations in accordance with a kilowatt day system. Through that system, it may authorise any fishing vessel concerned by any regulated gear set out in Table I to be present within the area for a maximum number of days that is different from the number set out in that Table, provided that the overall amount of kilowatt days corresponding to the regulated gear is respected.
- 6.2. The overall amount of kilowatt days shall be the sum of all individual fishing efforts allocated to the fishing vessels flying the flag of the Member State concerned and qualified for the regulated gear. Such individual fishing efforts shall be calculated in kilowatt days by multiplying the engine power of each fishing vessel by the number of days at sea it would be granted, according to Table I, if point 6.1 were not applied.
- 6.3. Any Member State wishing to benefit from the system referred to in point 6.1 shall submit a request to the Commission, for the regulated gear set out in Table I, with reports in electronic format containing the details of the calculation based on:
 - (a) the list of fishing vessels authorised to fish by indicating their Union fishing fleet register number (CFR) and their engine power;
 - (b) the number of days at sea for which each fishing vessel would have initially been authorised to fish according to Table I and the number of days at sea from which each fishing vessel would benefit in application of point 6.1.

- 6.4. On the basis of that request, the Commission shall assess whether the conditions referred to in point 6 are complied with and, where that is the case, may authorise the Member State concerned to benefit from the system referred to in point 6.1.
7. ALLOCATION OF ADDITIONAL DAYS FOR PERMANENT CESSATION OF FISHING ACTIVITIES
- 7.1. An additional number of days at sea on which a fishing vessel may be authorised by its flag Member State to be present within the area when carrying on board any regulated gear may be allocated to a Member State by the Commission on the basis of permanent cessations of fishing activities that have taken place during the preceding management period in accordance with either Article 34 of Regulation (EU) No 508/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council¹ or with Council Regulation (EC) No 744/2008². The Commission may consider permanent cessations resulting from any other circumstances on a case by case basis, following a written and duly reasoned request from the Member State concerned. Such a request shall identify the fishing vessels concerned and confirm, for each of them, that they shall never resume fishing activities.

¹ Regulation (EU) No 508/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 2328/2003, (EC) No 861/2006, (EC) No 1198/2006 and (EC) No 791/2007 and Regulation (EU) No 1255/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 149, 20.5.2014, p. 1).

² Council Regulation (EC) No 744/2008 of 24 July 2008 instituting a temporary specific action aiming to promote the restructuring of the European Community fishing fleets affected by the economic crisis (OJ L 202, 31.7.2008, p. 1).

- 7.2. The effort expended in 2003, measured in kilowatt days, of the withdrawn fishing vessels using a given gear grouping shall be divided by the effort expended by all fishing vessels using that gear grouping in 2003. The additional number of days at sea shall be calculated by multiplying the ratio so obtained by the number of days that would have been allocated according to Table I. Any part of a day resulting from that calculation shall be rounded to the nearest whole day.
- 7.3. Points 7.1 and 7.2 shall not apply where a fishing vessel has been replaced in accordance with point 4.2, or when the withdrawal has already been used in previous years to obtain additional days at sea.
- 7.4. A Member State wishing to benefit from the allocations referred to in point 7.1 shall submit a request to the Commission by 15 June 2024 with reports in electronic format containing, for the gear grouping as set out in Table I, the details of the calculation based on:
- (a) lists of withdrawn fishing vessels with their Union fishing fleet register number (CFR) and their engine power;
 - (b) the fishing activity deployed by such fishing vessels in 2003 calculated in days at sea according to the grouping of fishing gear.

- 7.5. During the current management period, a Member State may reallocate any additionally granted days at sea to all or part of the fishing vessels remaining in its fleet and qualified for the regulated gear.
- 7.6. When the Commission allocates additional days at sea due to a permanent cessation of fishing activities during the preceding management period, the maximum number of days per Member State and gear set out in Table I shall be adjusted accordingly for the current management period.
8. ALLOCATION OF ADDITIONAL DAYS FOR ENHANCED SCIENTIFIC OBSERVER COVERAGE
- 8.1. Three additional days on which a fishing vessel may be present within the area when carrying on board any regulated gear may be allocated between 1 February 2024 and 31 January 2025 to a Member State by the Commission on the basis of an enhanced programme of scientific observer coverage in partnership between scientists and the fishing industry. Such a programme shall focus in particular on levels of discarding and on catch composition and go beyond the requirements on data collection laid down in Regulation (EU) 2017/1004 of the European Parliament and of the Council³ and its implementing rules concerning national programmes.
- 8.2. Scientific observers shall be independent from the owner, the master of the fishing vessel and any crew member.

³ Regulation (EU) 2017/1004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 May 2017 on the establishment of a Union framework for the collection, management and use of data in the fisheries sector and support for scientific advice regarding the common fisheries policy and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 199/2008 (OJ L 157, 20.6.2017, p. 1).

- 8.3. A Member State wishing to benefit from the allocations referred to in point 8.1 shall submit a description of its enhanced scientific observer coverage programme to the Commission for approval.
- 8.4. If an enhanced scientific observer coverage programme submitted by a Member State has been approved by the Commission in the past and the Member State concerned wishes to continue its programme without changes, it shall inform the Commission of the continuation of that programme four weeks before the beginning of the period for which the programme applies.

Chapter IV Management

9. GENERAL OBLIGATION

Member States shall manage the maximum allowable effort in accordance with Articles 26 to 35 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009.

10. MANAGEMENT PERIODS

- 10.1. A Member State may divide the days present within the area set out in Table I into management periods of durations of one or more calendar months.

- 10.2. The number of days or hours for which a fishing vessel may be present within the area during a management period shall be fixed by the Member State concerned.
- 10.3. Where a Member State authorises fishing vessels flying its flag to be present within the area for a given number of hours, the Member State shall continue measuring the consumption of days as specified in point 9. Upon request by the Commission, the Member State concerned shall demonstrate that it has taken precautionary measures to avoid an excessive consumption of days within the area due to a fishing vessel terminating presences in the area before the end of a 24-hour period.

Chapter V

Exchanges of fishing effort allocations

11. TRANSFER OF DAYS BETWEEN FISHING VESSELS FLYING THE FLAG OF A MEMBER STATE
 - 11.1. A Member State may permit any fishing vessel flying its flag to transfer days present within the area for which it has been authorised to another fishing vessel flying its flag within that area, provided that the product of the number of days received by a fishing vessel and its engine power in kilowatts (kilowatt days) is equal to or less than the product of the number of days transferred by the donor fishing vessel and its engine power in kilowatts. The engine power in kilowatts of the fishing vessels shall be that recorded for each vessel in the Union fishing fleet register.

- 11.2. The total number of days present within the area transferred in accordance with point 11.1, multiplied by the engine power in kilowatts of the donor fishing vessel, shall not be higher than the donor fishing vessel's average annual days track record in the area as verified by the fishing logbook in the years 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005 multiplied by the engine power in kilowatts of that fishing vessel.
 - 11.3. The transfer of days in accordance with point 11.1 shall be permitted between fishing vessels operating with any regulated gear and during the same management period.
 - 11.4. Upon request by the Commission, Member States shall provide information on the transfers that have taken place. The Commission may adopt implementing acts establishing spreadsheet formats for the collection and transmission of that information. Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 57(2) of this Regulation.
12. TRANSFER OF DAYS BETWEEN FISHING VESSELS FLYING THE FLAG OF DIFFERENT MEMBER STATES

Member States may permit transfer of days present within the area for the same management period and within the area between any fishing vessels flying their flags provided that points 4.1, 4.3, 5, 6 and 10 apply. Where Member States decide to authorise such a transfer, they shall notify the Commission, before the transfer takes place, of the details of the transfer, including the number of days to be transferred, the fishing effort and, where applicable, the fishing quotas relating thereto.

Chapter VI

Reporting obligations

13. FISHING EFFORT REPORT

Article 28 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 shall apply to fishing vessels falling within the scope of this Annex. The geographical area referred to in that Article shall be understood as the area defined in point 2 of this Annex.

14. COLLECTION OF RELEVANT DATA

Member States shall collect on a quarterly basis information about total fishing effort deployed within the area by fishing vessels using towed gear and static gear, effort deployed within the area by fishing vessels using different types of gear, and the engine power of those fishing vessels in kilowatt days, on the basis of information used for the management of fishing days present within the area as set out in this Annex.

15. COMMUNICATION OF RELEVANT DATA

Upon request by the Commission, Member States shall make available to the Commission a spreadsheet with the data specified in point 14 and in the format specified in Tables II and III by sending it to the appropriate electronic mailbox address, which shall be communicated to the Member States by the Commission. Member States shall, upon request by the Commission, send detailed information to the Commission on the effort allocated and consumed, covering all or parts of the 2022 and 2023 management periods and using the data format specified in Tables IV and V.

Table II
Reporting format kW-day information by management period

Member State	Gear	Management period	Cumulative effort declaration
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)

Table III
Data format kW-day information by management period

Name of field	Maximum number of characters/digits	Alignment ⁽¹⁾ L(ef)t/R(igh)t	Definition and comments
(1) Member State	3		Member State (Alpha-3 ISO code) in which the vessel is registered

Name of field	Maximum number of characters/digits	Alignment ⁽¹⁾ L(ef)t/R(igh)t	Definition and comments
(2) Gear	2		One of the following gear types: BT = beam trawls \geq 80 mm GN = gillnet < 220 mm TN = trammel net or tangle net < 220 mm
(3) Management period	4		One year in the period from the 2006 management period to the current management period
(4) Cumulative effort declaration	7	R	Cumulative amount of fishing effort expressed in kilowatt days deployed from 1 February until 31 January of the relevant management period
⁽¹⁾ Information relevant for transmission of data by fixed-length formatting.			

Table IV
Reporting format for vessel-related information

Member State	CF R	External marking	Length of management period	Gear notified				Days eligible using notified gear(s)				Days spent with notified gear(s)				Transfer of days
				No 1	No 2	No 3	...	No 1	No 2	No 3	...	No 1	No 2	No 3	...	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(5)	(5)	(5)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(7)	(7)	(7)	(7)	(8)

Table V
Data format for vessel-related information

Name of field	Maximum number of characters/digits	Alignment ⁽¹⁾ L(ef t)/R(igh t)	Definition and comments
(1)Member State	3		Member State (Alpha-3 ISO code) in which fishing vessel is registered

Name of field	Maximum number of characters/digits	Alignment ⁽¹⁾ L(eft)/R(ight)	Definition and comments
(2) CFR	12		Common fleet register number (CFR) Unique identification number of a fishing vessel Member State (Alpha-3 ISO code) followed by an identifying series (nine characters). Where a series has fewer than nine characters, additional zeros shall be inserted on the left-hand side
(3) External marking	14	L	Under Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 404/2011 ⁴
(4) Length of management period	2	L	Length of the management period measured in months
(5) Gear notified	2	L	One of the following gear types: BT = beam trawls \geq 80 mm GN = gillnet < 220 mm TN = trammel net or tangle net < 220 mm

⁴ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 404/2011 of 8 April 2011 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 establishing a Community control system for ensuring compliance with the rules of the Common Fisheries Policy (OJ L 112, 30.4.2011, p. 1).

Name of field	Maximum number of characters/digits	Alignment ⁽¹⁾ L(eft)/R(ight)	Definition and comments
(6) Special condition applying to notified gear(s)	3	L	Number of days for which the fishing vessel is eligible under Annex II for the notified gear and notified length of management period
(7) Days spent with notified gear(s)	3	L	Number of days during which the fishing vessel was actually present within the area and using a gear corresponding to the gear notified during the notified management period
(8) Transfers of days	4	L	For days transferred indicate ‘– number of days transferred’ and for days received indicate ‘+ number of days transferred’
⁽¹⁾ Information relevant for transmission of data by fixed-length formatting.			

ANNEX III

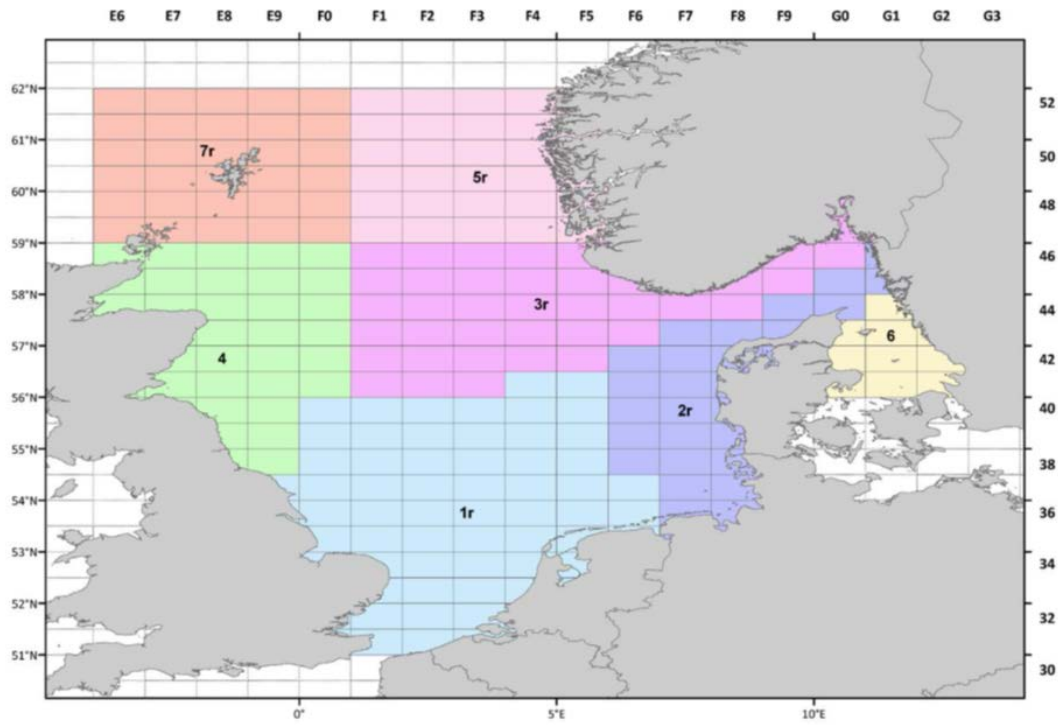
MANAGEMENT AREAS FOR SANDEELS IN ICES DIVISIONS 2a, 3a
AND ICES SUBAREA 4

For the purposes of the management of the fishing opportunities of sandeels in ICES divisions 2a and 3a and ICES subarea 4 fixed in Annex IA, the management areas within which specific catch limits apply are defined as set out in this Annex and the Appendix thereto:

Management area for sandeels	ICES statistical rectangles
1r	31–33 E9–F4; 33 F5; 34–37 E9–F6; 38–40 F0–F5; 41 F4–F5
2r	35 F7–F8; 36 F7–F9; 37 F7–F8; 38 41 F6–F8; 42 F6–F9; 43 F7–F9; 44 F9–G0; 45 G0–G1; 46 G1
3r	41–46 F1–F3; 42–46 F4–F5; 43–46 F6; 44–46 F7–F8; 45–46 F9; 46–47 G0; 47 G1 and 48 G0
4	38–40 E7–E9 and 41–46 E6–F0
5r	47–52 F1–F5
6	41–43 G0–G3; 44 G1
7r	47–52 E6–F0

Appendix

Management areas for sandeels



ANNEX IV

SEASONAL CLOSURES TO PROTECT SPAWNING COD

The areas set out in the table below shall be closed for all gear except for pelagic gear (purse seines and trawls), during the identified period:

Time-limited closures				
No	Area name	Coordinates	Period	Additional comment
1	Stanhope ground	60° 10' N - 01° 45' E 60° 10' N - 02° 00' E 60° 25' N - 01° 45' E 60° 25' N - 02° 00' E	1 January to 30 April	
2	Long Hole	59° 07,35' N - 0° 31,04' W 59° 03,60' N - 0° 22,25' W 58° 59,35' N - 0° 17,85' W 58° 56,00' N - 0° 11,01' W 58° 56,60' N - 0° 08,85' W 58° 59,86' N - 0° 15,65' W 59° 03,50' N - 0° 20,00' W 59° 08,15' N - 0° 29,07' W	1 January to 31 March	
3	Coral edge	58° 51,70' N - 03° 26,70' E 58° 40,66' N - 03° 34,60' E 58° 24,00' N - 03° 12,40' E 58° 24,00' N - 02° 55,00' E 58° 35,65' N - 02° 56,30' E	1 January to 28 February	

Time-limited closures				
No	Area name	Coordinates	Period	Additional comment
4	Papa Bank	59° 56' N - 03° 08' W 59° 56' N - 02° 45' W 59° 35' N - 03° 15' W 59° 35' N - 03° 35' W	1 January to 15 March	
5	Foula Deeps	60° 17,50' N - 01° 45' W 60° 11,00' N - 01° 45' W 60° 11,00' N - 02° 10' W 60° 20,00' N - 02° 00' W 60° 20,00' N - 01° 50' W	1 November to 31 December	
6	Egersund Bank	58° 07,40' N - 04° 33,00' E 57° 53,00' N - 05° 12,00' E 57° 40,00' N - 05° 10,90' E 57° 57,90' N - 04° 31,90' E	1 January to 31 March	(10 × 25 nautical miles)
7	East of Fair Isle	59° 40' N - 01° 23' W 59° 40' N - 01° 13' W 59° 30' N - 01° 20' W 59° 10' N - 01° 20' W 59° 30' N - 01° 28' W 59° 10' N - 01° 28' W	1 January to 15 March	
8	West Bank	57° 15' N - 05° 01' E 56° 56' N - 05° 00' E 56° 56' N - 06° 20' E 57° 15' N - 06° 20' E	1 February to 15 March	(18 × 4 nautical miles)

Time-limited closures				
No	Area name	Coordinates	Period	Additional comment
9	Revet	57° 28,43' N - 08° 05,66' E 57° 27,44' N - 08° 07,20' E 57° 51,77' N - 09° 26,33' E 57° 52,88' N - 09° 25,00' E	1 February to 15 March	(1,5 × 49 nautical miles)
10	Rabarberen	57° 47,00' N - 11° 04,00' E 57° 43,00' N - 11° 04,00' E 57° 43,00' N - 11° 09,00' E 57° 47,00' N - 11° 09,00' E	1 February to 15 March	East of Skagen (2,7 × 4 nautical miles)

ANNEX V

FISHING AUTHORISATIONS

PART A

MAXIMUM NUMBER OF FISHING AUTHORISATIONS
FOR UNION FISHING VESSELS FISHING IN THIRD-COUNTRY WATERS

Area of fishing	Fishery	Number of fishing authorisations	Allocation of fishing authorisations amongst Member States	Maximum number of vessels present at any time
Norwegian waters and fishery zone around Jan Mayen	Herring, north of 62°00'N	59	DK	25
			DE	5
			FR	1
			IE	8
			NL	9
			PL	1
			SE	10

Area of fishing	Fishery	Number of fishing authorisations	Allocation of fishing authorisations amongst Member States	Maximum number of vessels present at any time
	Demersal species, north of 62°00'N	66	DE	16
			IE	1
			ES	20
			FR	18
			PT	9
			Unallocated	2
			DK	450
Svalbard waters; international waters of 1 and 2b ⁽¹⁾	Industrial species, south of 62°00'N Fishery for snow crab with pots	20	EE	1
			ES	1
			LV	11
			LT	4
			PL	3
<p>⁽¹⁾ The allocation of fishing opportunities available to the Union in the Spitzbergen and Bear Island zone is without prejudice to the rights and obligations deriving from the 1920 Treaty of Paris.</p>				

PART B
 MAXIMUM NUMBER OF FISHING AUTHORISATIONS
 FOR THIRD-COUNTRY VESSELS FISHING IN UNION WATERS

Flag State	Fishery	Number of fishing authorisations	Maximum number of vessels present at any time
Venezuela ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Snappers (French Guiana waters)	45	45
<p>(1) To issue those fishing authorisations, proof must be produced that a valid contract exists between the fishing vessel owner applying for the fishing authorisation and a processing undertaking situated in the Department of French Guiana, and that it includes an obligation to land at least 75 % of all snapper catches from the fishing vessel concerned in that department so that they may be processed in that undertaking's premises. Such a contract must be endorsed by the French authorities, which shall ensure that it is consistent both with the actual capacity of the contracting processing undertaking and with the objectives for the development of the Guianese economy. A copy of the endorsed contract shall be appended to the fishing authorisation application. Where such an endorsement is refused, the French authorities shall notify that refusal, and state the reasons therefor, to the parties concerned and to the Commission.</p> <p>(2) Fishing activities are authorised on an annual calendar basis. However, a fishing vessel can continue its fishing activities up to three months after expiry of its fishing authorisation, provided that the operator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – initiated the process to renew its fishing authorisation, – fulfilled all its contractual and information communication obligations. <p>This extension expires upon the entry into force of the Commission decision for a new fishing authorisation or notification of the refusal of the new fishing authorisation.</p>			

ANNEX VI

ICCAT CONVENTION AREA⁵

1. Maximum number of Union baitboats and trolling boats authorised to fish actively for bluefin tuna (*Thunnus thynnus*) between 8 kg/75 cm and 30 kg/115 cm in the eastern Atlantic

Spain	60
France	55
Union	115

2. Maximum number of Union coastal artisanal fishing vessels authorised to fish actively for bluefin tuna between 8 kg/75 cm and 30 kg/115 cm in the Mediterranean

Spain	364
France	140 ⁽¹⁾
Italy	30
Cyprus	20 ⁽¹⁾
Malta	54 ⁽¹⁾
Union	684
⁽¹⁾ This number may increase if a purse seiner is replaced by up to 10 longline vessels in accordance with Table A in point 4 of this Annex.	

⁵ The numbers in points 1, 2 and 3 of this Annex may decrease in order to comply with the Union's international obligations.

3. Maximum number of Union fishing vessels authorised to fish actively for bluefin tuna between 8 kg/75 cm and 30 kg/115 cm in the Adriatic Sea for farming purposes

Croatia	18
Italy	12
Union	28

4. Maximum number of fishing vessels of each Member State that may be authorised to fish for, retain on board, tranship, transport or land bluefin tuna in the eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean.

Table A

Number of fishing vessels ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾								
	Greece ⁽³⁾	Spain	France	Croatia	Italy	Cyprus ⁽⁴⁾	Malta ⁽⁵⁾	Portugal
Purse seiners ⁽⁶⁾	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established
Longliners	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established
Baitboats	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established
Handline	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established
Trawlers	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established
Small-scale	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established
Other artisanal ⁽⁷⁾	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established	To be established
(1)	The numbers in this table will be established following the approval of the Union fishing, farming and capacity management plan by ICCAT, in accordance with the applicable ICCAT recommendations and Union rules.							
(2)	The numbers in this table may be further increased, provided that the Union's international obligations are complied with.							
(3)	One medium-size purse seiner has been replaced by no more than 10 longline vessels, or by one small purse seiner and three other artisanal vessels.							
(4)	One medium-size purse seiner may be replaced by no more than 10 longline vessels, or by one small purse seiner and no more than three longline vessels.							
(5)	One medium-size purse seiner may be replaced by no more than 10 longline vessels.							
(6)	The individual numbers of purse seiners in this table are the result of transfers between Member States and do not constitute historical rights for the future.							
(7)	Polyvalent vessels, using multi-gear equipment (longline, handline, trolling line).							

5. Maximum number of traps engaged in the eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean bluefin tuna fishery authorised by each Member State

Maximum number of traps ⁽¹⁾	
Member State	Number of traps
Spain	5
Italy	6
Portugal	2
⁽¹⁾ The numbers in this table will be adapted following the approval of the Union fishing, farming and capacity management plan by ICCAT, in accordance with the applicable ICCAT recommendations and Union rules.	

6. Maximum bluefin tuna farming capacity and fattening capacity for each Member State and maximum input of wild-caught bluefin tuna that each Member State may allocate to its farms in the Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean

Table A

Maximum tuna farming capacity and fattening capacity ⁽¹⁾		
	Number of farms	Capacity (in tonnes)
Greece	2	2 100
Spain	10	11 852
Croatia	4	7 880
Italy	13	12 600
Cyprus	3	3 000
Malta	6	12 300
Portugal	2	500
⁽¹⁾ The numbers in this table will be adapted following the approval of the Union fishing, farming and capacity management plan by ICCAT, in accordance with the applicable ICCAT recommendations and Union rules.		

Table B

Maximum input of wild-caught bluefin tuna (in tonnes) ⁽¹⁾	
Greece	785
Spain	6 300
Croatia	2 947
Italy	3 764
Cyprus	2 195
Malta	8 786
Portugal	350
⁽¹⁾ The numbers in this table will be adapted following the approval of the Union fishing, farming and capacity management plan by ICCAT, in accordance with the applicable ICCAT recommendations and Union rules.	

7. Maximum number of Union fishing vessels authorised to fish for northern albacore (*Thunnus alalunga*) as a target species, in accordance with Article 17 of Regulation (EU) No 2017/2107.

Member State	Maximum number of vessels
Ireland	50
Spain	730
France	151
Portugal	310

8. Maximum number of Union fishing vessels of at least 20 meters length that fish for bigeye tuna (*Thunnus obesus*) in the ICCAT Convention area

Member State	Maximum number of vessels with purse seines	Maximum number of vessels with longlines
Spain	23	190
France	11	–
Portugal	–	79
Union	34	269

ANNEX VII

CCAMLR CONVENTION AREA

Exploratory fishing for toothfish in the CCAMLR Convention area in the period from 1 December 2023 to 30 November 2024 shall be limited to the following:

Table A

Authorised Member States, subareas and maximum number of fishing vessels

Member State	Subarea	Maximum number of vessels
Spain	48.6	1
Spain	88.1	1
Spain	88.2	1

Table B
TACs and by-catch limits

The TACs set out in the table below, which are adopted by CCAMLR, are not allocated to CCAMLR members and hence the Union's share is undetermined. Catches are monitored by the CCAMLR Secretariat, which will communicate to the Contracting Parties when fishing is to be ceased due to TAC exhaustion.

Subarea	Region	Season	SSRUs or research blocks	Antarctic toothfish (<i>Dissostichus mawsoni</i>) catch limit (in tonnes)/SSRUs or research blocks	Antarctic toothfish (<i>Dissostichus mawsoni</i>) catch limit (in tonnes)/whole subarea ⁽¹⁾	Bycatch limit (in tonnes)/SSRUs or research blocks		
						Skates and rays (<i>Rajiformes</i>)	Grenadiers (<i>Macrourus</i> spp.) ⁽²⁾	Other species
48.6	Whole subarea	1 December 2023 to 30 November 2024	48.6_2	148	518	7	23	23
			48.6_3	42		2	6	6
			48.6_4	126		6	20	20
			48.6_5	202		10	32	32
88.1	Whole subarea	1 December 2023 to 31 August 2024	A, B, C, G ⁽³⁾ ('N70')	665	3499	33	106	33
			G, H, I, J, K ⁽⁴⁾ ('S70')	2 309		115	316	115
			Special Research Zone of the Ross Sea Region marine protected area ('SRZ')	456		22	72	22

Subarea	Region	Season	SSRUs or research blocks	Antarctic toothfish (<i>Dissostichus mawsoni</i>) catch limit (in tonnes)/SSRUs or research blocks	Antarctic toothfish (<i>Dissostichus mawsoni</i>) catch limit (in tonnes)/whole subarea ⁽¹⁾	Bycatch limit (in tonnes)/SSRUs or research blocks		
						Skates and rays (<i>Rajiformes</i>)	Grenadiers (<i>Macrourus</i> spp.) ⁽²⁾	Other species
88.2	Whole subarea	1 December 2023 to 31 August 2024	A, B ⁽³⁾ (N70)	Included in the catch limit for N70 in sub-area 88.1	970	9	29	29
			A, B ⁽⁴⁾ (S70)	Included in the catch limit for S70 in sub-area 88.1				
			Part of SSRU_A within SRZ	Included in the catch limit for SRZ in sub-area 88.1				
			88.2_1	184				
			88.2_2	322				
			88.2_3	242				
88.2_4	222							
		14 December 2023 to 31 August 2024	88.2_H	146	146	7	23	23

(1) The target species is Antarctic toothfish (*Dissostichus mawsoni*). Any Patagonian toothfish (*Dissostichus eleginoides*) caught shall be counted towards the overall catch limit for Antarctic toothfish (*Dissostichus mawsoni*).

(2) In area 88.1 and in SSRUs A and B in area 88.2, where the catch of grenadiers (*Macrourus* spp.) taken by a single fishing vessel in any two 10-day periods (i.e. from day 1 to day 10, day 11 to day 20, or day 21 to the last day of the month) in any SSRU exceeds 1 500 kg in each 10-day period and exceeds 16% of the catch of Antarctic toothfish (*Dissostichus* spp.) by that vessel in that SSRU, the vessel shall cease fishing in that SSRU for the remainder of the season.

(3) All areas outside the Ross Sea region marine protected area and north of 70°S.

(4) All areas outside the Ross Sea region marine protected area and south of 70°S.

Appendix

Part A

Research blocks 48.6 coordinates

Research block 48.6_2 coordinates

54°00'S 01°00'E

55°00'S 01°00'E

55°00'S 02°00'E

55°30'S 02°00'E

55°30'S 04°00'E

56°30'S 04°00'E

56°30'S 07°00'E

56°00'S 07°00'E

56°00'S 08°00'E

54°00'S 08°00'E

54°00'S 09°00'E

53°00'S 09°00'E

53°00'S 03°00'E

53°30'S 03°00'E

53°30'S 02°00'E

54°00'S 02°00'E

Research block 48.6_3 coordinates

64°30'S 01°00'E

66°00'S 01°00'E

66°00'S 04°00'E

65°00'S 04°00'E

65°00'S 07°00'E

64°30'S 07°00'E

Research block 48.6_4 coordinates

68°20'S 10°00'E

68°20'S 13°00'E

69°30'S 13°00'E

69°30'S 10°00'E

69°45'S 10°00'E

69°45'S 06°00'E

69°00'S 06°00'E

69°00'S 10°00'E

Research block 48.6_5 coordinates

71°00'S 15°00'W

71°00'S 13°00'W

70°30'S 13°00'W

70° 30' S 11°00'W

70°30'S 10°00'W

69°30'S 10°00'W

69°30'S 09°00'W

70° 00' S 09°00'W

70° 00' S 08°00'W

69°30'S 08°00'W

69°30'S 07 00'W

70°30'S 07°00'W

70°30'S 10°00'W

71°00'S 10°00'W

71°00'S 11°00'W

71°30'S 11°00'W

71°30 S 15°00'W

Research blocks 88.2 coordinates

Research block 88.2_1 coordinates

73°48'S 108°00'W

73°48'S 105°00'W

75°00'S 105°00'W

75°00'S 108°00'W

Research block 88.2_2 coordinates

73°18'S 119°00'W

73°18'S 111°30'W

74°12'S 111°30'W

74°12'S 119°00'W

Research block 88.2_3 coordinates

72°12'S 122°00'W

70°50'S 115°00'W

71°42'S 115°00'W

73°12'S 122°00'W

Research block 88.2_4 coordinates

72°36'S 140°00'W

72°36'S 128°00'W

74°42'S 128°00'W

74°42'S 140°00'W

List of small-scale research units (SSRUs)

Region	SSRU	Boundary line
88.1	A	From 60°S 150°E, due east to 170°E, due south to 65°S, due west to 150°E, due north to 60°S.
	B	From 60S 170° E, due east to 179°E, due south to 66°40'S, due west to 170°E, due north to 60°S.
	C	From 60°S 179°E, due east to 170°W, due south to 70°S, due west to 178°W, due north to 66°40'S, due west to 179°E, due north to 60°S.
	D	From 65°S 150°E, due east to 160°E, due south to coast, westward along coast to 150°E, due north to 65°S.
	E	From 65°S 160°E, due east to 170°E, due south to 68°30'S, due west to 160°E, due north to 65°S.
	F	From 68°30'S 160°E, due east to 170°E, due south to coast, westward along coast to 160°E, due north to 68°30'S.
	G	From 66°40'S 170°E, due east to 178°W, due south to 70°S, due west to 178°50'E, due south to 70°50'S, due west to 170°E, due north to 66°40'S.
	H	From 70°50S 170° E, due east to 178°50'E, due south to 73°S, due west to coast, northward along coast to 170°E, due north to 70°50'S.
	I	From 70°S 178°50'E, due east to 170°W, due south to 73°S, due west to 178°50'E, due north to 70°S.
	J	From 73°S at coast near 170°E, due east to 178°50'E, due south to 80°S, due west to 170°E, northward along coast to 73°S.
	K	From 73°S 178°50'E, due east to 170°W, due south to 76°S, due west to 178°50'E, due north to 73°S.
L	From 76°S 178°50'E, due east to 170°W, due south to 80°S, due west to 178°50'E, due north to 76°S.	
M	From 73°S at coast near 169°30'E, due east to 170°E, due south to 80°S, due west to coast, northward along coast to 73°S.	

Region	SSRU	Boundary line
88.2	A	From 60°S 170°W, due east to 160°W, due south to coast, westward along coast to 170°W, due north to 60°S.
	B	From 60°S 160°W, due east to 150°W, due south to coast, westward along coast to 160°W, due north to 60°S.
	C	From 70°50'S 150°W, due east to 140°W, due south to coast, westward along coast to 150°W, due north to 70°50'S.
	D	From 70°50'S 140°W, due east to 130°W, due south to coast, westward along coast to 140°W, due north to 70°50'S.
	E	From 70°50'S 130°W, due east to 120°W, due south to coast, westward along coast to 130°W, due north to 70°50'S.
	F	From 70°50'S 120°W, due east to 110°W, due south to coast, westward along coast to 120°W, due north to 70°50'S.
	G	From 70°50'S 110°W, due east to 105°W, due south to coast, westward along coast to 110°W, due north to 70°50'S.
	H	From 65°S 150°W, due east to 105°W, due south to 70°50'S, due west to 150°W, due north to 65°S.
	I	From 60°S 150°W, due east to 105°W, due south to 65°S, due west to 150°W, due north to 60°S.
	J	From 60°S 170°W, due east to 160°W, due south to coast, westward along coast to 170°W, due north to 60°S.
	K	From 60°S 160°W, due east to 150°W, due south to coast, westward along coast to 160°W, due north to 60°S.
	L	From 70°50'S 150°W, due east to 140°W, due south to coast, westward along coast to 150°W, due north to 70°50'S.
	M	From 70°50'S 140°W, due east to 130°W, due south to coast, westward along coast to 140°W, due north to 70°50'S.

Part B

Notification of intent to participate in a fishery
for krill (*Euphausia superba*)

General information

Member:

Fishing season:

Name of vessel:

Expected level of catch (tonnes):

Vessel's daily processing capacity (tonnes in green weight):

Intended fishing subareas and divisions

This conservation measure applies to notifications of intentions to fish for krill in subareas 48.1, 48.2, 48.3 and 48.4 and divisions 58.4.1 and 58.4.2. Intentions to fish for krill in other subareas and divisions must be notified under CCAMLR Conservation Measure 21-02 (2019).

Subarea/division	Tick the appropriate boxes
48.1	<input type="checkbox"/>
48.2	<input type="checkbox"/>
48.3	<input type="checkbox"/>
48.4	<input type="checkbox"/>
58.4.1	<input type="checkbox"/>
58.4.2	<input type="checkbox"/>

Fishing technique: Tick the appropriate boxes

- Conventional trawl
- Continuous fishing system
- Pumping to clear cod-end
- Other method (please specify)

Product types and methods for direct estimation of green weight of krill caught

Product type	Method for direct estimation of green weight of krill caught, where relevant (refer to Annex 21-03/B) ⁽¹⁾
Whole frozen	
Boiled	
Meal	
Oil	
Other product (please specify)	
⁽¹⁾ If the method is not listed in Annex 21-03/B, then please describe in detail.	

Net configuration

Net measurements	Net 1		Net 2		Other net(s)	
Net opening (mouth)						
Maximum vertical opening (m)						
Maximum horizontal opening (m)						
Net circumference at mouth ⁽¹⁾ (m)						
Mouth area (m ²)						
Panel average mesh size ⁽³⁾ (mm)	Outer ⁽²⁾	Inner ⁽²⁾	Outer ⁽²⁾	Inner ⁽²⁾	Outer ⁽²⁾	Inner ⁽²⁾
1st panel						
2nd panel						
3rd panel						
...						
Final panel (cod-end)						
<p>⁽¹⁾ Expected in operational conditions.</p> <p>⁽²⁾ Size of outer mesh, and inner mesh where a liner is used.</p> <p>⁽³⁾ Inside measurement of stretched mesh based on the procedure in CCAMLR Conservation Measure 22-01 (2019).</p>						

Net diagram(s):

For each net used, or any change in net configuration, refer to the relevant net diagram in the CCAMLR fishing gear library if available (www.ccamlr.org/node/74407), or submit a detailed diagram and description to the next meeting of the Working Group on Ecosystem Monitoring and Management (WG-EMM). Net diagram(s) must include:

1. Length and width of each trawl panel (in sufficient detail to allow calculation of the angle of each panel with respect to water flow).
2. Mesh size (inside measurement of stretched mesh based on the procedure in CCAMLR Conservation Measure 22-01 (2019)), shape (e.g. diamond shape) and material (e.g. polypropylene).
3. Mesh construction (e.g. knotted, fused).
4. Details of streamers used inside the trawl (design, location on panels, indicate 'nil' if streamers are not in use); streamers prevent krill from fouling the mesh or escaping.

Marine mammal exclusion device

Device diagram(s):

For each type of device used, or any change in device configuration, refer to the relevant diagram in the CCAMLR fishing gear library if available (www.ccamlr.org/node/74407), or submit a detailed diagram and description to the next meeting of WG-EMM.

Provide details of each marine mammal exclusion device used, including noting whether it is a seal, whale or other exclusion device.

Collection of acoustic data

Provide information on the echosounders and sonars used by the vessel

Type (e.g. echosounder, sonar)			
Manufacturer			
Model			
Transducer frequencies (kHz)			

Collection of acoustic data (detailed description):.....

Outline steps which will be taken to collect acoustic data to provide information on the distribution and abundance of krill (*Euphausia superba*) and other pelagic species such as myctophids and salps (SC-CAMLR-XXX, paragraph 2.10).

GUIDELINES FOR ESTIMATING
THE GREEN WEIGHT OF KRILL CAUGHT

Method	Equation (kg)	Parameter				Unit
		Description	Type	Estimation method		
Holding tank volume	$W * L * H * \rho * 1\ 000$	W = tank width	Constant	Measure at the start of fishing	m	
		L = tank length	Constant	Measure at the start of fishing	m	
		ρ = volume-to-mass conversion factor	Variable	Volume-to-mass conversion	kg/litre	
		H = depth of krill in tank	Haul-specific	Direct observation	m	
Flow meter ⁽¹⁾	$V * F_{krill} * \rho$	V = volume of krill and water combined	Haul ⁽¹⁾ -specific	Direct observation	litre	
		F_{krill} = fraction of krill in the sample	Haul ⁽¹⁾ -specific	Flow meter volume correction	-	
		ρ = volume-to-mass conversion factor	Variable	Volume-to-mass conversion	kg/litre	

Method	Equation (kg)	Parameter				Unit
		Description	Type	Estimation method		
Flow meter ⁽²⁾	$(V \cdot \rho) - M$	V = volume of krill paste	Haul ⁽¹⁾ -specific	Direct observation	litre	
		M = amount of water added to the process, converted to mass	Haul ⁽¹⁾ -specific	Direct observation	kg	
		ρ = density of krill paste	Variable	Direct observation	kg/litre	
Flow scale	$M \cdot (1 - F)$	M = mass of krill and water combined	Haul ⁽²⁾ -specific	Direct observation	kg	
		F = fraction of water in the sample	Variable	Flow scale mass correction	–	
Plate tray	$(M - M_{\text{tray}}) \cdot N$	M_{tray} = mass of empty tray	Constant	Direct observation prior to fishing	kg	
		M = mean mass of krill and tray combined	Variable	Direct observation, prior to freezing with water drained	kg	
		N = number of trays	Haul-specific	Direct observation	–	

Method	Equation (kg)	Parameter			Unit
		Description	Type	Estimation method	
Meal conversion	$M_{\text{meal}} * \text{MCF}$	M_{meal} = mass of meal produced	Haul-specific	Direct observation	kg
		MCF = meal conversion factor	Variable	Meal to whole krill conversion	-
Cod-end volume	$W * H * L * \rho * \pi / 4 * 1\ 000$	W = cod-end width	Constant	Measure at the start of fishing	m
		H = cod-end height	Constant	Measure at the start of fishing	m
		ρ = volume-to-mass conversion factor	Variable	Volume-to-mass conversion	kg/litre
Other	Please specify	L = cod-end length	Haul-specific	Direct observation	m
(1)	Individual haul when using a conventional trawl, or integrated over a six-hour period when using the continuous fishing system.				
(2)	Individual haul when using a conventional trawl, or integrated over a two-hour period when using the continuous fishing system.				

Observation steps and frequency

Holding tank volume

At the start of fishing	Measure the width and length of the holding tank (if the tank is not rectangular in shape, then additional measurements may be required; precision $\pm 0,05$ m)
Every month ⁽¹⁾	Estimate the volume-to-mass conversion derived from the drained mass of krill in a known volume (e.g. 10 litres) taken from the holding tank
Every haul	Measure the depth of krill in the tank (if krill are held in the tank between hauls, then measure the difference in depth; precision $\pm 0,1$ m) Estimate the green weight of krill caught (using equation)
Flow meter ⁽¹⁾	
Prior to fishing	Ensure that the flow meter is measuring whole krill (i.e. prior to processing)
More than once per month ⁽¹⁾	Estimate the volume-to-mass conversion (ρ) derived from the drained mass of krill in a known volume (e.g. 10 litres) taken from the flow meter
Every haul ⁽²⁾	Obtain a sample from the flow meter and: – measure the volume (e.g. 10 litres) of krill and water combined, – estimate the flow meter volume correction derived from the drained volume of krill Estimate the green weight of krill caught (using equation)

Flow meter ⁽²⁾	
Prior to fishing	Ensure that both flow meters (one for the krill product and one for the water added) are calibrated (i.e. show the same, correct reading)
Every week ⁽¹⁾	Estimate the density (ρ) of the krill product (ground krill paste) by measuring the mass of a known volume of krill product (e.g. 10 litres) taken from the corresponding flow meter
Every haul ⁽²⁾	Read both flow meters, and calculate the total volumes of the krill product (ground krill paste) and that of the water added; density of the water is assumed to be 1 kg/litre Estimate the green weight of krill caught (using equation)
Flow scale	
Prior to fishing	Ensure that the flow scale is measuring whole krill (i.e. prior to processing)
Every haul ⁽²⁾	Obtain a sample from the flow scale and: – measure the mass of krill and water combined, – estimate the flow scale mass correction derived from the drained mass of krill Estimate the green weight of krill caught (using equation)

Plate tray	
Prior to fishing	Measure the mass of the tray (if trays vary in design, then measure the mass of each type; precision $\pm 0,1$ kg)
Every haul	Measure the mass of krill and tray combined (precision $\pm 0,1$ kg)
	Count the number of trays used (if trays vary in design, then count the number of trays of each type)
	Estimate the green weight of krill caught (using equation)
Meal conversion	
Every month ⁽¹⁾	Estimate the meal to whole krill conversion by processing 1 000 to 5 000 kg (drained mass) of whole krill
Every haul	Measure the mass of meal produced
	Estimate the green weight of krill caught (using equation)
Cod-end volume	
At the start of fishing	Measure the width and height of the cod-end (precision $\pm 0,1$ m)
Every month ⁽¹⁾	Estimate the volume-to-mass conversion derived from the drained mass of krill in a known volume (e.g. 10 litres) taken from the cod-end
Every haul	Measure the length of cod-end containing krill (precision $\pm 0,1$ m)
	Estimate the green weight of krill caught (using equation)

⁽¹⁾ A new period will commence when the vessel moves to a new subarea or division.

⁽²⁾ Individual haul when using a conventional trawl, or integrated over a six-hour period when using the continuous fishing system.

ANNEX VIII

IOTC AREA OF COMPETENCE

1. Maximum number of Union fishing vessels authorised to fish for tropical tunas in the IOTC Area of Competence

Member State	Maximum number of vessels	Capacity (gross tonnage)
Spain	22	61 364
France	27	45 383
Portugal	5	1 627
Italy	1	2 137
Union	55	110 511

2. Maximum number of Union fishing vessels authorised to fish for swordfish (*Xiphias gladius*) and albacore (*Thunnus alalunga*) in the IOTC Area of Competence

Member State	Maximum number of vessels	Capacity (gross tonnage)
Spain	27	11 590
France	41 ⁽¹⁾	7 882
Portugal	15	6 925
Union	83	26 397
⁽¹⁾ This number does not include vessels registered in Mayotte; it may be increased in the future in accordance with Mayotte's fleet development plan.		

3. The vessels referred to in point 1 shall also be authorised to fish for swordfish and albacore in the IOTC Area of Competence.
 4. The vessels referred to in point 2 shall also be authorised to fish for tropical tunas in the IOTC Area of Competence.
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ANNEX IX

WCPFC CONVENTION AREA

1. Maximum number of Union fishing vessels authorised to fish for swordfish (*Xiphias gladius*) in areas south of 20°S of the WCPFC Convention area

Spain	To be established
Union	To be established

2. Maximum number of Union purse seiners authorised to fish for tropical tuna in areas south of 20°S of the WCPFC Convention area

Spain	To be established
Union	To be established

ANNEX X

SIOFA AGREEMENT AREA

The annual bottom fishing effort of Union fishing vessels in the SIOFA Agreement Area shall not exceed the following limits:

France	237 fishing days
Spain	2 vessels
Other Member States	0

ANNEX XI

AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION (EU) 2023/194

1. Annex IA, Part F, to Regulation (EU) 2023/194 is replaced by the following:

Table 1			
Species:	Black scabbardfish <i>Aphanopus carbo</i>		Zone: 6 and 7; United Kingdom and international waters of 5; international waters of 12 (BSF/56712-)
Year	2023	2024	Precautionary TAC
Germany	21	16	
Estonia	10	8	
Ireland	52	39	
Spain	103	78	
France	1 450	1096	
Latvia	67	51	
Lithuania	1	0	
Poland	1	0	
Others	5 ⁽¹⁾	4 ⁽¹⁾	
Union	1 710	1 292	
United Kingdom	103	78	
TAC	1 813	1 370	
⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (BSF/56712_AMS).			
Table 2			
Species:	Black scabbardfish <i>Aphanopus carbo</i>		Zone: Union and international waters of 8, 9 and 10 (BSF/8910-)
Year	2023	2024	Precautionary TAC
Spain	7	7	
France	17	18	
Portugal	2 106	2 302	
Union	2 130	2 327	
TAC	2 130	2 327	

Table 3					
Species:	Alfonsinos <i>Beryx</i> spp.			Zone:	United Kingdom, Union and international waters of 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 and 14 (ALF/3X14-)
Year	2023		2024		Precautionary TAC
Ireland	5 ⁽¹⁾		5 ⁽¹⁾		
Spain	40 ⁽¹⁾		40 ⁽¹⁾		
France	11 ⁽¹⁾		11 ⁽¹⁾		
Portugal	118 ⁽¹⁾		118 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	174 ⁽¹⁾		174 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	5 ⁽¹⁾		5 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	179 ⁽¹⁾		179 ⁽¹⁾		

⁽¹⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.

Table 4					
Species:	Roundnose grenadier <i>Coryphaenoides rupestris</i>			Zone:	6 and 7; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b (RNG/5B67-)
Year	2023		2024		Precautionary TAC
Germany	4 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		3 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Estonia	34 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		24 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Ireland	150 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		108 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Spain	37 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		27 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
France	1 910 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		1 367 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Lithuania	44 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		31 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Poland	22 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		16 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Others	4 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾		3 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾		
Union	2 205 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		1 579 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
United Kingdom	112 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		80 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
TAC	2 317 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		1 659 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		

⁽¹⁾ A maximum of 10 % of each quota may be fished in Union and international waters of 8, 9, 10, 12 and 14 (RNG/*8X14- for roundnose grenadier; RHG/*8X14- for roughhead grenadier by-catches).

⁽²⁾ No directed fisheries of roughhead grenadier are permitted. By-catches of roughhead grenadier (RHG/5B67-) shall be counted against this quota. They may not exceed 1 % of the quota.

⁽³⁾ Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (RNG/5B67_AMS for roundnose grenadier; RHG/5B67_AMS for roughhead grenadier).

Table 5					
Species:	Roundnose grenadier <i>Coryphaenoides rupestris</i>			Zone:	Union and international waters of 8, 9, 10, 12 and 14 (RNG/8X14-)
Year	2023		2024	Precautionary TAC	
Germany	10	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	13	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Ireland	2	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	3	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Spain	1 111	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	1 410	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
France	51	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	65	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Latvia	18	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	23	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Lithuania	2	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	3	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Poland	347	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	442	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Union	1 541	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	1 959	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
United Kingdom	4	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	6	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
TAC	1 545	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	1 965	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
(1)	A maximum of 10 % of each quota may be fished in 6 and 7; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b (RNG/*5B67- for roundnose grenadier; RHG/*5B67- for roughhead grenadier by-catches).				
(2)	No directed fisheries of roughhead grenadier are permitted. By-catches of roughhead grenadier (RHG/8X14-) shall be counted against this quota. They may not exceed 1 % of the quota.				

Table 6					
Species:	Red seabream <i>Pagellus bogaraveo</i>			Zone:	6, 7 and 8 (SBR/678-)
Year	2023		2024	Precautionary TAC	
Ireland	3	⁽¹⁾	3	⁽¹⁾	
Spain	84	⁽¹⁾	84	⁽¹⁾	
France	4	⁽¹⁾	4	⁽¹⁾	
Others	3	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	3	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Union	94	⁽¹⁾	94	⁽¹⁾	
United Kingdom	11	⁽¹⁾	11	⁽¹⁾	
TAC	105	⁽¹⁾	105	⁽¹⁾	
(1)	Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.				
(2)	Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (SBR/678_AMS).				

Table 7			
Species:	Red seabream <i>Pagellus bogaraveo</i>		Zone: Union and international waters of 10 (SBR/10-)
Year	2023	2024	Precautionary TAC
Spain	5	5	
Portugal	600	600	
Union	605	605	
United Kingdom	5	5	
TAC	610	610	

2. In Annex IA, Part B, to Regulation (EU) 2023/194, the tables for mackerel (*Scomber scombrus*) in Union waters of ICES division 3a, 3b, 3c and 3d; United Kingdom waters of division 2a; Union and United Kingdom waters of ICES subarea 4; and in Norwegian waters of divisions 2a and 4a are replaced by the following:

Species:	Mackerel <i>Scomber scombrus</i>		Zone: Union waters of 3a, 3b, 3c and 3d; United Kingdom waters of 2a; Union and United Kingdom waters of 4; Norwegian waters of 2a and 4a (MAC/2A34-N)
Belgium	501	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Analytical TAC
Denmark	29 446	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Germany	523	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
France	1 579	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Netherlands	1 589	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Sweden	4 743	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	
Union	38 381	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
TAC	782 066		

⁽¹⁾ Special condition: within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zones. Up to 60 % of the allocated quota to Member States under MAC/2A34 may be fished in United Kingdom and international waters of 2a, 5b, 6, 7, 8d, 8e, 12 and 14 (MAC/*2AX14).

	3a	United Kingdom and Union waters of 3a, 4b and 4c	4b	4c	United Kingdom and international waters of 2a, 5b, 6, 7, 8d, 8e, 12 and 14
	(MAC/*03A.)	(MAC/*3A4BC)	(MAC/*04B.)	(MAC/*04C.)	(MAC/*2AX14)
Belgium	0	0	0	0	301
Denmark	0	4 130	0	0	10 312
Germany	0	0	0	0	314
France	0	490	0	0	947
Netherlands	0	490	0	0	953
Sweden	0	0	390	10	2 846
Union	0	5 110	390	10	15 673

- (2) Within the limits of these quotas, and in agreement with the relevant coastal State, no more than the quantities given below may also be taken in the two following zones:

	Norwegian waters of 2a (MAC/*02AN-)	Faroese waters (MAC/*FRO1)
Belgium	0	0
Denmark	0	0
Germany	0	0
France	0	0
Netherlands	0	0
Sweden	0	0
Union	0	0

- (3) Special condition: including the following tonnage to be taken in Norwegian waters of 2a and 4a (MAC/*2A4AN):
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When fishing under this special condition, by-catches of cod, haddock, pollack, whiting and saithe are to be counted against the quotas for these species.

- (4) Within the limits of this quota, the following transfers are made by Denmark which may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 6, 7, 8d; Union waters of 8a, 8b and 8e; international waters of 12 and 14; and United Kingdom and international waters of 2a and 5b (MAC/*2A14):

Post transfer	
Germany	749
Spain	1
Estonia	6
France	499
Ireland	2 495
Latvia	5
Lithuania	5
Netherlands	1 092
Poland	53