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This is a licence issued by the Scottish Ministers in terms of The Sea Fish Licensing Order 1992.

It is communicated and may be varied, suspended or revoked by the Scottish Ministers in terms of section 4(9) of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967 and in accordance with The Sea Fishing (Licences and Notices) (Scotland) Regulations 2011.

It is issued subject to conditions which are added in terms of section 4(6) of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967.

**Important change to your authority to fish from 23:01hrs (GMT) on 31 December 2020**

The authority to fish in EU, Norwegian, Faroes and NEAFC waters is rescinded and all commercial fishing activity outside of the UK EEZ must stop and all fishing gear be removed by 23:00 hours (GMT) on 31 December 2020.

Within this licence any reference to an EU Regulation is a reference to that Regulation as it forms part of United Kingdom domestic law by virtue of Section 3 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 in accordance with Schedule 8 (1) of that Act.

**LICENCE CONDITIONS**

**1. GENERAL AND MISCELLANEOUS**

**Registration of fishing vessel**

1.1 The vessel to which this licence relates must be registered as a fishing vessel under the Merchant Shipping Act 1995. The vessel must be 10 metres or less in overall length and registered at a port in Scotland.

**Duration**

1.2 This licence is valid from 0001 hours on 01 January 2019, (or on a later specified date) until 2359 hours on 31 December 2027. This licence rescinds and replaces any licence previously issued under the Sea Fish Licensing Order 1992.

**Carriage and production of licence**

1.3 This licence must be carried on board the vessel to which it relates at all times and must be produced to a British Sea Fishery Officer or Marine Enforcement Officer on demand.

**Notification of variations**

1.4 The master, owner, charterer, as appropriate, of the vessel to which this licence relates shall ensure that, no later than **midnight every Friday** in each week, the Scottish Government website page [www.gov.scot/collections/fishing-vessel-weekly-licence-variations/](http://www.gov.scot/collections/fishing-vessel-weekly-licence-variations/) is viewed, in order to check for notices of variation, suspension or revocation affecting the licence, which appear on that page.

**Maintenance of licence details**

1.5 This licence becomes invalid if any of the details connected to the vessel on the front two pages of the licence change, for example in relation to the kilowatt capacity or tonnage of the vessel. Should amendments be required to these details, an application should be made immediately for a new licence or for the establishment of an entitlement to apply for a licence. Failure to submit such applications within 3 months will result in the loss of any claim to a licence entitlement.

**Reporting requirements**

1.6 Vessel owners not in membership of a Producer Organisation must complete a FISH1 form (landing declaration for the vessel to which this licence relates) in respect of all landings of all species and submit it to the Fishery Office at which the vessel is administered, within 48 hours of the conclusion of the \*fishing week. (\*A fishing week runs from 0001 hours on Sunday to 2359 hours on Saturday.)

1.7 In accordance with Article 29(2) of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No. 404/2011, the Master shall complete and submit an EU logbook and a landing declaration in paper format in accordance with the provisions in Chapter I of Title III of that Regulation, if the vessel is in membership of a Producer Organisation.

**Observers**

1.8 The vessel to which this licence relates shall, on receipt of a reasonable request, accept on board observers authorised by the Scottish Ministers to undertake activities specified by the Ministers. Masters of vessels shall provide adequate accommodation for observers, facilitate their

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work and avoid interference with the discharge of their duties. Masters of vessels shall also provide observers access to relevant parts of the vessel, including the catch, and to the vessel's documents including electronic files.

**Pair trawling**

1.9 The vessel to which this licence relates shall not pair trawl with a vessel which does not hold a licence to fish granted by one of the Fisheries Administrations in the UK or, in the case of a foreign-flagged vessel, the authorities of the flag state. The vessel shall not pair trawl with a vessel from another country without the prior approval of the Scottish Ministers.

**Outboard motor**

1.10 If the vessel to which this licence relates is powered by an outboard motor, it will be permissible for the licence holder to operate any make or model of outboard motor, up to the maximum power output specified on the vessel's Certificate of Registry or this licence including any mismatch.

**2. AUTHORITY AND QUOTA LIMITS****Authority: general**

2.1 Subject to the conditions and limitations of this licence, and to any prohibition on fishing imposed by order under Section 5 of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967 (as amended), or by the European Commission under the provisions of Article 36 of Council Regulation (EU) No. 1224/2009 (as amended), this licence hereby authorises the above-named vessel to fish for all species of sea fish (including shellfish) in the ICES Division IIa (EU Zone), Sub Area IV, ICES Division Vb (EU Zone), Sub Areas VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XII (International Waters) and XIV (International Waters) and CECAF 34.1.1 (EU Zone), excluding those waters lying within 12 miles of the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea adjacent to the Isle of Man and Channel Islands respectively is measured, but not extending beyond a line every point of which is equidistant from the nearest points of such baselines adjacent to the United Kingdom and France respectively.

2.2 This licence does not entitle the licence holder to fish in waters within the fishing limits of any foreign country where such fishing by vessels flying the flag of the United Kingdom, Channel Islands or Isle of Man in general, or the licensed vessel in particular, is prohibited by the competent authorities in that country.

2.3 This licence does not absolve the licence holder from complying with any other laws relating to fishing.

**Authority: quota limits**

2.4 The vessel to which this licence relates shall not retain on board, land or trans-ship any sea fish described in **Annex I**, in the sea areas listed in the corresponding entry of that Annex as "closed" (whether permanently or during a specified period). Any such fish caught in a sea area which is "closed" in relation to that species must be returned to the sea immediately. Where a date is entered in the "effective date" column, the corresponding opening or closure of a species is effective from 0001 hours on the date specified.

2.5 The authority of this licence is also subject to the quota limitations set out in **Annex II**. All quantitative limitations are in live weight, and relate to the maximum amount that may be caught and retained on board, landed or trans-shipped during the time period stated. Where weekly catch limits are set, a "week" means 0001 hours on any Sunday until 2359 hours on the following Saturday. The quota limitations in this licence shall apply concurrently with, and not in addition to, any other quota limitations for the time being in force which have been imposed by any other licence issued by any other authority, wherever established.

2.6 Notwithstanding any quota limitation detailed in the Annexes, the vessel to which this licence relates may retain on board and land Cod caught in ICES Divisions VIa; EU and International Waters of Vb east of 12°00'W only insofar as such catches do not exceed 2% by live weight of the total catch retained on board the vessel during each fishing trip.

2.7 Notwithstanding any quota limitation detailed in the Annexes, the vessel to which this licence relates may retain on board and land Cod caught in ICES division VIb; EU and International Waters of Vb west of 12°00'W, XII and XIV only insofar as such catches do not exceed 0.5% by live weight of the total catch retained on board the vessel during each fishing trip.

2.8 Notwithstanding any quota limitation detailed in the Annexes, the vessel to which this licence relates may retain on board and land Whiting, caught in ICES Divisions Vb (EC Zone), VI, XII (International Waters) and XIV (International Waters) only insofar as such catches do not exceed 10% by live weight of the total catch retained on board the vessel during each fishing trip.

**Authority: shellfish**

2.9 Unless expressly permitted at [Section 3], this licence does not authorise the above-named vessel to fish for shellfish. However, vessels

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not so authorised may retain on board and land:

- 2.9.1 up to 5 lobsters or crawfish per day, caught with pots or nets, and
- 2.9.2 up to 25 crabs per day, caught with pots or nets, or
- 2.9.3 any shellfish, excluding Green crabs, taken as a permitted by-catch, when fishing for other species using towed gear, up to a maximum limit of 10% by weight, of the total catch
- 2.10 For the purposes of 2.9, "shellfish" means Lobster (*Homarus gammarus*), crawfish (*Palinurus* spp.), Edible crab (*Cancer pagurus*), Velvet crab (*Liocarcinus puber*), Spider crab (*Maja squinado*) and Green crab (*Carcinus maenus*); and 'crabs' means the four species of crabs so specified.

**Authority: Swordfish**

2.11 This licence does not authorise fishing for Swordfish. An incidental by-catch of two fish of this species will however be allowed to be retained on board during any fishing trip.

**Authority: tuna**

- 2.12 This licence does not authorise fishing for Albacore tuna. However, a fishing vessel may retain on board any Albacore tuna caught as a permitted by-catch when fishing for other species.
- 2.13 This licence does not authorise fishing for tuna by the drift net method.

**Authority: Razor fish**

2.14 This licence does not authorise fishing for Razor fish (*Ensis* spp.).

**Authority: deep sea species**

- 2.15 This licence does not authorise fishing for deep sea species. For the purposes of this licence deep sea species are those species specified in Annex I of EU Regulation 2016/2336. A by-catch of up to 100 kgs of those species will however be allowed to be retained on board during any fishing trip.
- 2.16 The vessel to which this licence relates is prohibited from fishing or deploying demersal bottom trawls in areas with depths greater than 800 metres.

**Authority: Blue whiting**

2.17 This licence does not authorise fishing for Blue whiting, except insofar as the vessel to which this licence relates is obliged to retain on board, record and land catches within the terms of paragraph 3.2 below.

**3. RETURN OF CATCHES TO THE SEA**

**Catches that must be returned to the sea**

- 3.1 The vessel to which this licence relates must return to the sea, as soon as possible:
  - 3.1.1 catches of fish the fishing, retention, trans-shipment and landing of which is prohibited in the EU Fishing Opportunities Regulation
  - 3.1.2 catches of fish not subject to a landing obligation in terms of Article 15 of EU Regulation No. 1380/2013 and which are undersized - i.e. The minimum landing size or minimum conservation reference size as defined in EC Regulation No. 850/1998, as amended
  - 3.1.3 catches of fish not subject to a landing obligation in terms of Article 15 of EU Regulation No. 1380/2013 and which the vessel is not authorised to land by virtue of this licence
  - 3.1.4 catches of fish not subject to a landing obligation in terms of Article 15 of EU Regulation No. 1380/2013 and which it is necessary for the vessel to return to the sea so as to conform to a catch composition requirement described in EC Regulation No. 850/1998, as amended

**Catches that must not be returned to the sea: landing obligations**

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3.2 From 1 January 2019 vessels of all gear types must land all quota species caught, unless otherwise prohibited in **Annex I**.

3.3 Non-quota species can continue to be discarded.

3.4 Exemptions from the landing obligation for quota species can be viewed at the Scottish Government website page [www2.gov.scot/Topics/marine/Sea-Fisheries/discards/pelagic/guidance](http://www2.gov.scot/Topics/marine/Sea-Fisheries/discards/pelagic/guidance) and [www2.gov.scot/Topics/marine/Sea-Fisheries/discards/demersal/DemersalLandingObligation-GuidancetoSkippers](http://www2.gov.scot/Topics/marine/Sea-Fisheries/discards/demersal/DemersalLandingObligation-GuidancetoSkippers).

**Catches that may be returned to the sea: exemptions from the landing obligations**

3.5 Notwithstanding the application of the above-described landing obligations, it is permitted to return catches of fish otherwise subject to a landing obligation in specified circumstances. A number of general exemptions apply:

3.5.1 fish that has been damaged by predators (for example, marine mammals, predatory fish or birds)

3.5.2 fish damaged by disease or parasites (for example, sea lice)

3.5.3 fish that is contaminated and consequently unfit for human consumption (for example, fish chemically contaminated by oil)

3.5.4 catches released as part of regular vessel tasks such as cleaning the gear, and

3.5.5 fish offal from the processing of fish on board the vessel (for example, the gutting of fish and tailing of Nephrops)

**4. USE OF FISHING EQUIPMENT****Electrical generating equipment**

4.1 The vessel to which this licence relates shall only carry on board electrical generating equipment required for safe navigation and safe operation of the vessel. The vessel shall not carry on board nor deploy into the sea any electrical equipment, including electrical generators, cables, probes, grids or any other equipment capable of transmitting electrical currents to the seabed.

**Cod-end mesh size - "one net rule"**

4.2 The vessel to which this licence relates may not, when fishing with trawls or seines, carry on board fishing gear with cod-end mesh size of 100 mm and greater and also fishing gear with cod-end mesh size of between 54mm and 100 mm.

**Requirements for square mesh escapement panel**

4.3 The vessel to which this licence relates must, when fishing with trawls or seines with cod-end mesh size of 70 mm or greater but less than 100 mm, install into their fishing gear a 200 mm square mesh escapement panel, which has no more than two open diamond meshes (five in NS) between the longitudinal side of the panel and the adjacent selvedge and shall be placed in the top half or top sheet of a net in front of any extension piece and the posterior of the cod-end. The overall length of the panel will be 3 metres and will be positioned no further than 12-15 metres from the cod-line (i.e. the rearmost row of meshes of the panel shall be no more than 12 metres from the cod-line). If the vessel to which this licence relates has engine power of 112 kilowatts (taken from the vessel's certificate of registry or this licence, including any mismatch) or less the overall length of the panel may be 2 metres and the panel may be 160 mm.

4.4 The vessel to which this licence relates must, when fishing with trawls or seines with cod-end mesh size of 100 mm or greater but less than 120 mm, install into their fishing gear a 120 mm square mesh escapement panel, which has no more than two open diamond meshes (5 in NS) between the longitudinal side of the panel and the adjacent selvedge and shall be placed in the top half or top sheet of a net in front of any extension piece and the posterior of the cod-end. The overall length of the panel will be 3 metres and will be positioned no further than 12-15 metres from the cod-line (i.e. the rearmost row of meshes of the panel shall be no more than 12 metres from the cod-line). If the vessel to which this licence relates has engine power of 112 kilowatts (taken from the vessel's certificate of registry or this licence, including any mismatch) or less the overall length of the panel may be 2 metres.

4.5 From 1 July 2020, fishing vessels operating with bottom trawls or seines in ICES division 6a and 5b, within the Union waters, East of 12°W (West of Scotland shall comply with the following technical measures: (a) mandatory use of a square mesh panel (positioning retained) of at least 300 mm for vessel deploying a cod-end mesh size less than 100 mm; for vessels below 12 m in length over all/or with engine power of 200 kW or less, the panel overall length may be 2 m and the panel 200 mm in Norway lobster (*Nephrops norvegicus*) fisheries; (b) mandatory use of a square mesh panel (positioning retained) of at least 160 mm for vessels deploying a cod-end mesh size of 100-119 mm and if catches comprising

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more than 30% of Norway lobster (*Nephrops norvegicus*).

4.5.1 A selective gear or device assessed by the STECF as having the same or higher selectivity characteristics for cod, haddock and whiting than the measures set out in paragraph 1 may be used as an alternative to those measures.

4.6 The vessel to which this licence, relates whilst using mobile gear must use a minimum mesh size of 120mm in all waters or sea area IV, bar activity in mud areas/nephrops areas. There are eight defined mud/nephrops area within the 120mm zone which are exempt on the basis that mud areas are primarily nephrops grounds. In these areas it is permitted to use gear less than 120mm. Vessels using gear that is not designed to come into contact with the bottom, and are fishing for herring, mackerel, horse mackerel or sprats are derogated from the above compulsory measures, These areas are detailed in the attached webpage - <https://www.gov.scot/publications/North-sea-cod-plan/>

**5. CONTROLS WITH RESPECT TO FISHING IN SPECIFIED PARTS OF THE SEA**

**Sea areas closed due to exhaustion of quota(s)**

5.1 The vessel to which this licence relates may not fish in a part of the sea that is noted as being "closed" in column 2 of table in Annex III to these conditions. The vessel may transit any such closed area provided that all on board fishing gear is lashed and stowed prior to entry to the closed area(s) and remains lashed and stowed until its departure from the closed area(s).

**Requirement to lash and stow gear when transiting through prohibited inshore areas**

5.2 While the vessel to which this licence relates is within any area specified in an order made under section 1 (or sections 1 and 2A) of the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Act 1984 in which fishing for sea fish using specified gear is prohibited by virtue of that order, any such gear carried on board the vessel must be lashed and stowed in such a way that it may not be used readily and to avoid any doubt of its deployment in the water.

**Seasonal closures: spawning Cod**

5.3 The vessel to which this licence relates, excluding pelagic gears (purse seine and trawl), may not fish in the "**Long Hole**" from 0001 hours on 01 January until 2359 hours on 31 March. For the purposes of this condition the closed area is the area of waters bounded by sequentially joining the following geographical co-ordinates:

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

5.4 The vessel to which this licence relates, excluding pelagic gears (purse seine and trawl), may not fish in the "**Coral Edge**" from 0001 hours on 1 January until 2359 hours on the last day of February. For the purposes of this condition the closed area is the area of waters bounded by sequentially joining the following geographical co-ordinates:

58° 51.70'N, 3° 26.7'E  
 58° 40.66'N, 3° 34.6'E  
 58° 24.00'N, 3° 12.4'E  
 58° 24.00'N, 2° 55.0'E  
 58° 35.65'N, 2° 56.3'E

5.5 The vessel to which this licence relates, excluding pelagic gear (purse seine and trawl), may not fish in the "**Papa Bank**" from 0001 hours on 1 January until 2359 hours on 15 March. For the purposes of this condition the closed area is the area of waters bounded by sequentially joining the following geographical co-ordinates:

59° 56'N, 3° 08'W  
 59° 56'N, 2° 45'W  
 59° 35'N, 3° 15'W  
 59° 35'N, 3° 35'W

5.6 The vessel to which this licence relates, for all gear types excluding pelagic gears (purse seine and trawl), may not fish in the "Stanhope

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Ground" from 0001 hours on 1 January until 2359 hours on 30 April.

For the purposes of this condition the closed area is the area of waters bounded by sequentially joining the following geographical coordinates:

60° 10'N, 1° 45'E  
60° 10'N, 2° 00'E  
60° 25'N, 1° 45'E  
60° 25'N, 2° 00'E

5.7 The vessel to which this licence relates, for all gear types excluding pelagic gears (purse seine and trawl), may not fish in the "Foula Deeps" from 0001 hours on 1 November until 2359 hours on 31 December.

For the purposes of this condition the closed area is the area of waters bounded by sequentially joining the following geographical coordinates:

60° 17.5'N, 1° 45'W  
60° 11.0'N, 1° 45'W  
60° 11.0'N, 2° 10'W  
60° 20.0'N, 2° 00'W  
60° 20.0'N, 1° 50'W

5.8 The vessel to which this licence relates, for all gear types excluding pelagic gears (purse seine and trawl), may not fish in the "East Fair Isle" from 0001 hours on 1 January until 2359 hours on 15 March.

For the purposes of this condition the closed area is the area of waters bounded by sequentially joining the following geographical coordinates:

59° 40'N, 1° 23'W  
59° 40'N, 1° 13'W  
59° 30'N, 1° 20'W  
59° 10'N, 1° 20'W  
59° 30'N, 1° 28'W  
59° 10'N, 1° 28'W

5.9 The vessel to which this licence relates, for all gear types excluding pelagic gears (purse seine and trawl), may not fish in the "Egersund Bank" from 0001 hours on 1 January until 2359 hours on 31 March.

For the purposes of this condition the closed area is the area of waters bounded by sequentially joining the following geographical coordinates:

58° 07.4'N, 4° 33.0'E  
57° 53.0'N, 5° 12.0'E  
57° 40.0'N, 5° 10.9'E  
57° 57.9'N, 4° 31.9'E

5.10 The vessel to which this licence relates, for all gear types excluding pelagic gears (purse seine and trawl), may not fish in the "West Bank" from 0001 hours on 1 February until 2359 hours on 15 March.

For the purposes of this condition the closed area is the area of waters bounded by sequentially joining the following geographical coordinates:

57° 15'N, 5° 01'E  
56° 56'N, 5° 00'E  
56° 56'N, 6° 20'E  
57° 15'N, 6° 20'E

5.11 The vessel to which this licence relates, for all gear types excluding pelagic gears (purse seine and trawl), may not fish in the "Revet" from 0001 hours on 1 February until 2359 hours on 15 March.

For the purposes of this condition the closed area is the area of waters bounded by sequentially joining the following geographical coordinates:

57° 28.43'N, 8° 05.66'E  
57° 27.44'N, 8° 07.20'E  
57° 51.77'N, 9° 26.33'E  
57° 52.88'N, 9° 25.00'E

5.12 The vessel to which this licence relates, for all gear types excluding pelagic gears (purse seine and trawl), may not fish in the "Rabarberen" from 0001 hours on 1 February until 2359 hours on 15 March.

For the purposes of this condition the closed area is the area of waters bounded by sequentially joining the following geographical coordinates:

57° 47'N, 11° 4'E  
57° 43'N, 11° 4'E

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57° 43'N, 11° 9'E  
57° 47'N, 11° 9'E

5.13 The vessel to which this licence relates may not fish in the "North West Sule" from 0001 hours on 01 February until 2359 hours on 31 March. For the purposes of this condition the closed area is the area of waters bounded by sequentially joining the following geographical coordinates:

59° 22.130'N, 4° 52.000'W  
59° 13.000'N, 4° 52.000'W  
59° 13.000'N, 5° 28.000'W  
59° 16.850'N, 5° 28.000'W

**Seasonal closure: Queen scallops**

5.14 No Queen scallop (*Aequipecten opercularis*) fishing activity should take place between 0001 hours on 01 April and 2359 hours on 30 June in the entire area of ICES sub-divisions VIa and VIIa.

**Farne Deeps**

5.15 Subject to the exemptions below, the vessel to which this licence relates is prohibited from fishing in the Farne Deeps when deploying demersal trawls and seines (with the exception of beam trawls).

5.16 The prohibition in condition 5.15 shall not apply to vessels with an engine power of 350 kw or less deploying a single-rig demersal trawl or seine within 12 nautical miles of the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea is measured and of which the mesh size of the cod-end and any extension piece is 90 mm or more and is constructed wholly of a single twine of 5 mm or less.

5.17 The prohibition in condition 5.15 shall not apply to vessels deploying single-rig or twin-rig demersal trawls or seines outside 12 nautical miles of the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea is measured and of which the mesh size of the cod-end and any extension piece is 90 mm or more, or 95 mm or more in respect of twin-rig vessels, and is constructed wholly of a single twine of 5 mm or less.

5.18 Vessels fishing in accordance with conditions 5.16 and 5.17 above between 0000 hours on 15 May and 2359 hours on 15 September and who use a mesh size of greater than 100 mm are permitted to use a mesh constructed of a double twine where the twines are of equal thickness and the sum of the thickness of both twines is no more than 10 mm and where a \*strengthening bag is in place. (\*As defined in Article 6 of Commission Regulation [EEC] No. 3440/1984, as amended by Commission Regulation [EEC] No. 955/87 and Commission Regulation [EEC] No. 2122/89.)

5.19 Vessels fishing in accordance with conditions 5.16 and 5.17 above between 0000 hours on 16 September and 2359 hours on 14 May and who use a mesh size of greater than 100 mm are permitted to use a mesh constructed of a double twine where the twines are of equal thickness and the sum of the thickness of both twines is no more than 10 mm. The use of any strengthening bag is not permitted.

5.20 Vessels fishing in accordance with the prohibitions in 5.16 and 5.17 above are not permitted to deploy demersal trawls or seines with more than one cod-end per rig.

5.21 For the purposes of the prohibitions above, "Farne Deeps" shall consist of all waters within the following ICES statistical rectangles:

- 38E8
- 38E9
- 39E8
- 39E9
- 40E8
- 40E9

**5.22 Mull Box**

The vessel to which this licence relates is prohibited, from fishing with a trawl or dredge (including a suction dredge) in that area off the Treshnish Isles, being the area of waters bounded by the following coordinates:

56° 37.460'N, 006° 19.830'W  
56° 35.620'N, 006° 24.500'W  
56° 28.850'N, 006° 34.330'W  
56° 28.680'N, 006° 28.170'W

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Should the vessel be present in the area during this period all fishing gear which may be used for catching scallops must be lashed and stowed in accordance with article 47 of Council Regulation (EC) 1224/2009.

5.23 Dogger Bank Scallop Closure

During the period 00:00 12 July 2020 to 23:59 28 February 2020 the vessel to which this licence relates may not be present in ICES rectangles, 39F1, 39F2, 39F3, 38F1, 38F2, 38F3, 37F1 and 37F2 whilst carrying dredges on board other than when transiting at a speed of more than six knots (except in the case of force majeure or adverse conditions).

5.23.1 Vessels transiting through the ICES rectangles referred to in condition 5.23 and which are carrying dredges must ensure that, for the entire duration of the period in the ICES rectangles referred to in that condition, the dredges are disconnected from the towing cable and unable to be deployed.

5.23.2 In case of force majeure or adverse conditions, the master must immediately inform the UK Fisheries Monitoring Centre.

5.24 From 00:00 on 5 November 2020 until 4 October 2022, the vessel to which this licence relates may not fish using creels(1) within the "Outer Hebrides Pilot Project Area"; save for where a letter of derogation ("Letter of Derogation") has been granted to the licence holder of the vessel by the Scottish Ministers and subject always to condition 5.25. The Outer Hebrides Project Area is the geographical area which forms part of the Scottish marine region for the Outer Hebrides(2), bounded in the north by a line at 58degreesN heading due east from the Isle of Lewis near Sidhean Geogh' a' Chudaig; bounded on the south by a line at 56degrees 43.870' N; and bounded on the west by the Barra Head (Berneray) to Harris Protected Area(3) and shown outlined on this map - [www.gov.scot/publications/out-hebrides-inshore-fisheries-pilot-area/](http://www.gov.scot/publications/out-hebrides-inshore-fisheries-pilot-area/) (but which map is demonstrative only).

(1) All references to "creel(s)" in conditions 5.24 and 5.25 have the meaning given in article 2 of the Marking of Creels (Scotland) Order 2020, SSI 2020 No 168.

(2) The Scottish Marine Regions Order 2015, SSI 2015 No. 193

(3) The Inshore Fishing (Prohibition of Fishing and Fishing Methods) (Outer Hebrides) Order 2017 No. 48

5.25 Where a Letter of Derogation is granted in terms of condition 5.24, above, the following conditions shall apply:

a. The maximum number of creels which may be set on the seabed at any one time by the vessel in the Outer Hebrides Pilot Project Area shall be limited in accordance with the overall length of the said vessel as follows:

Overall length of vessel	Maximum number of creels
<8 meters	800
8-10 meters	1200
>10-12 meters	1500
>12 meters	1800

b. The soak time of each individual creel set on the seabed from the vessel in the Outer Hebrides Pilot Project Area, shall be limited to a maximum of 3 weeks from time the said creel is set on the seabed;

c. Marine Scotland may, at their discretion, require remote electronic monitoring ("REM") equipment to be installed in the vessel; and

d. The letter of Derogation granted in terms of condition 5.24 must be retained aboard the vessel at all times to be made available for inspection on request by a British Sea Fishery Office(1)

(1) "British Sea Fishery Officer" has the meaning given by section 7 of the Sea Fisheries Act 1986 (c.77).



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**PART I - AUTHORISED STOCKS**

SPECIES	SEA AREAS	CLOSED / OPEN	EFFECTIVE DATE
Anchovy	VIII,IX,X and EU Waters of CECAF 34.1.1	Permanently closed	
Angel sharks	EU and International Waters of IIa,IV,Vb,VI,VII,VIII,IX,X,XII & XIV	Permanently closed	
Anglerfish	VIIIc,IX,X and EU Waters of CECAF 34.1.1	Permanently closed	
Anglerfish	EU Waters of IIa & IV	Open	
Anglerfish	Norwegian Waters of IV	Open	01-JAN-2019
Anglerfish	VI; EU and International Waters of Vb; International Waters of XII & XIV	Open	
Anglerfish	VII	Open	
Anglerfish	VIIIabde	Open	
Basking sharks	EU and International Waters of IIa,IV,Vb,VI,VII,VIII,IX,X,XII & XIV	Permanently closed	
Big-eye tuna	EU and International Waters of IIa,IV,Vb,VI,VII,VIII,IX,X,XII & XIV	Permanently closed	
Blue ling	EU and International Waters of II,III,IV & Vb	Permanently closed	
Blue ling	EU and International Waters of IIa & IV	Open	
Blue ling	EU and International Waters of Vb,VI,VII	Open	
Blue ling	International Waters of XII	Open	01-JAN-2019
Blue whiting	VIIIc,IX,X and EU Waters of CECAF 34.1.1	Permanently closed	
Blue whiting	EU Waters of IIa,IV,EU Waters of Vb,VI,VII,VIIIabde,International Waters of XII & XIV	Open	01-JAN-2019
Bluefin tuna	EU and International Waters of IIa,IV,Vb,VI,VII,VIII,IX,X,XII & XIV	Permanently closed	
Boarfish (capros aper)	EU and International Waters of VI,VII,VIII	Open	01-JAN-2019
Cod	IV; EU Waters of IIa	Open	
Cod	VIIb; EU and International Waters of Vb west,XII & XIV	Open	01-JAN-2020
Cod	VIa; EU and International Waters of Vb east of 12°W	Open	
Cod	VIIa	Open	
Cod	VIIb-c,VIIe-k,VIII,IX,X,CECAF 34.1.1	Open	
Cod	VIIId	Open	14-JAN-2018
Common skate (dipturus batis)	EU and International Waters of IIa,IV,VI,VII,VIII,IX	Permanently closed	
Dabs & flounders	EU Waters of IIa & IV	Open	
Deep sea sharks	EU and International Waters of IIa,IV,Vb,VI ,VII,VIII,IX,X,XII & XIV <sup>10</sup>	Permanently closed	
Greater silver smelt	EU Waters of IIa	Open	01-JAN-2019
Greater silver smelt	EU Waters of IV	Open	
Greater silver smelt	EU and International Waters of Vb,VI,VII	Open	

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SPECIES	SEA AREAS	CLOSED / OPEN	EFFECTIVE DATE
Greenland halibut	EU Waters of IIa & IV; EU and International Waters of Vb & VI	Open	01-JAN-2019
Haddock	IV; EU Waters of IIa	Open	
Haddock	EU and International Waters of VIb,XII & XIV	Open	
Haddock	EU and International Waters of Vb & VIa	Open	
Haddock	VIIb-k,VIII,IX,X,EU Waters of CECAF 34.1.1	Open	
Haddock	VIIa	Open	
Hake	VIIIc,IX,X and EU Waters of CECAF 34.1.1	Permanently closed	
Hake	EU Waters of IIa & IV	Open	
Hake	VI & VII; EU and International Waters of Vb; International Waters of XII & XIV	Open	
Hake	VIIIabde	Open	
Herring	IIa <sup>6</sup>	Permanently closed	
Herring	VIIbc	Permanently closed	
Herring	VIIg-k	Open	01-JAN-2019
Herring	The Thames and Blackwater coastal area <sup>2</sup>	Permanently closed	
Herring	VI The Firth of Clyde <sup>3</sup>	Permanently closed	
Herring	IVab	Open	01-JAN-2019
Herring	VIIId; IVc	Open	01-JAN-2019
Herring	EU and International Waters of Vb,VIb & VIaN	Closed	01-JAN-2020
Herring	VIIa	Open	01-JAN-2019
Herring	VIIe,f	Open	01-JAN-2019
Horse mackerel	VIIIc,IX	Permanently closed	
Horse mackerel	X; EU Waters of CECAF 34.1.1	Permanently closed	
Horse mackerel	EU Waters of IVb,IVc & VIIId	Open	14-JAN-2018
Horse mackerel	EU Waters of IIa,IVa,VI,VIIa-c,VIIe-k,VIIIabde,EU and International Waters of Vb; International Waters of XII & XIV	Open	01-JAN-2019
Lemon sole & witches	EU Waters of IIa & IV	Open	
Ling	EU and International Waters of Vb	Permanently closed	
Ling	EU and International Waters of IIa	Open	
Ling	EU Waters of IV	Open	
Ling	EU and International Waters of VI,VII,VIII,IX,X,XII,XIV	Open	
Ling	Norwegian Waters of IV	Open	
Mackerel (Handline)	EU Waters of IIa,IIIbcd; IVa (North of 59' 30'N) (Shetland)	Closed	
Mackerel (Handline)	EU Waters of IIa,IIIbcd; IVa (North of 58' 30'N and South of 59' 30'N) (Orkney)	Closed	

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SPECIES	SEA AREAS	CLOSED / OPEN	EFFECTIVE DATE
Mackerel (Handline)	EU Waters of IIa,IIIbcd; IVa (North of 57' 30'N and South of 58' 30'N) (Moray Firth)	Closed	
Mackerel (Handline)	IVb (North of 53' 30'N and South of 57' 30'N)	Closed	
Mackerel (Handline)	Dual IVab	Closed	
Mackerel	VIIIc,IX,X and EU Waters of CECAF 34.1.1	Permanently closed	
Mackerel	IIIa,IVbc	Open	01-JAN-2019
Mackerel	IIIa & IV: EU Waters of IIa,IIIbcd	Open	01-JAN-2019
Mackerel	IVa Flexibility box <sup>5</sup>	Open	01-JAN-2019
Mackerel	VI,VII,VIIIabde; EU and International Waters of Vb; International Waters of IIa,XII & XIV	Open	
Megrim	VIII,IX,X and EU Waters of CECAF 34.1.1	Permanently closed	
Megrim	EU Waters of IIa & IV	Open	
Megrim	VI; EU and International Waters of Vb; International Waters of XII & XIV	Open	01-JAN-2019
Megrim	VII	Open	
Migratory trout	EU and International Waters of IIa,IV,Vb,VI,VII,VIII,IX,X,XII & XIV	Permanently closed	
Nephrops	VIII,IX,X and EU Waters of CECAF 34.1.1	Permanently closed	
Nephrops	EU Waters of IIa & IV	Open	
Nephrops	Norwegian Waters of IV	Open	01-JAN-2019
Nephrops	VI,EU and International Waters of Vb	Open	
Nephrops	VII	Open	
Nephrops	VII - Porcupine Bank - Unit 16 <sup>9</sup>	Open	
Northern prawn	EU Waters of IIa & IV	Open	
Norway others	Norwegian Waters of IV <sup>4</sup>	Open	
Norway pout	EU Waters of IIa & IV	Permanently closed	
Norwegian skate	EU and International Waters of VI,VIIa-c,e-k	Permanently closed	
Orange roughy	EU and International Waters of IIa,IV,Vb,VI,VII,VIII,IX,X,XII & XIV	Permanently closed	
Plaice	VIIbc	Permanently closed	
Plaice	VIII,IX,X and EU Waters of CECAF 34.1.1	Permanently closed	
Plaice	IV; EU Waters of IIa	Open	01-JAN-2019
Plaice	VI; EU and International Waters of Vb; International Waters of XII & XIV	Open	01-JAN-2019
Plaice	VIIa	Open	01-JAN-2019
Plaice	VIIId,VIIe	Open	01-JAN-2019
Plaice	VIIIf,g	Open	01-JAN-2019

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SPECIES	SEA AREAS	CLOSED / OPEN	EFFECTIVE DATE
Plaice	VIIhjk	Open	01-JAN-2019
Pollack	VIII,IX,X and EU Waters of CECAF 34.1.1	Permanently closed	
Pollack	VI; EU and International Waters of Vb; International Waters of XII & XIV	Open	
Pollack	VII	Open	
Porbeagle	EU Waters of IIa,IV,V,VI,VII,VIII,IX,X,XI,XII,XIII & XIV	Permanently closed	
Razor Fish (Ensis Spp.)	EU and International Waters of IIa,IV,Vb,VI,VII,VIII,IX,X,XII & XIV	Closed	
Redfish	EU and International Waters of Vb,XII & XIV	Permanently closed	
Saithe	IIIa & IV; EU Waters of IIa,IIIbc	Open	
Saithe	VI; EU and International Waters of Vb; International Waters of XII & XIV	Open	
Saithe	VII,VIII,IX,X,CECAF 34.1.1	Open	
Salmon	EU and International Waters of IIa,IV,Vb,VI,VII,VIII,IX,X,XII & XIV	Permanently closed	
Sandeels	Scottish Inshore Waters <sup>1</sup>	Permanently closed	
Sandeels	Norwegian Waters of IV	Permanently closed	
Sandeels	EU Waters of IIa & IV	Open	
Sea bass (Dicentrarchus labrax)	ICES divisions VIIb, VIIc, VIIj and VIIk, and the waters of ICES divisions VIIa and VIIg that are more than 12 nautical miles from the baseline under the sovereignty of the United Kingdom	Permanently closed	01-FEB-2017
Shrimp	Norwegian Waters of IV	Permanently closed	
Skates & rays	VIII,IX	Permanently closed	
Skates & rays	EU Waters of IIa & IV	Open	01-JAN-2019
Skates & rays	VIa-b & VIIa-c,e-k	Open	01-JAN-2019
Skates & rays	VIIId	Open	
Sole	VIIbc	Permanently closed	
Sole	VIII,IX,X and EU Waters of CECAF 34.1.1	Permanently closed	
Sole	EU Waters of II & IV	Open	
Sole	VI; EU and International Waters of Vb; International Waters of XII & XIV	Open	01-JAN-2019
Sole	VIIa	Open	01-JAN-2019
Sole	VIIId	Open	
Sole	VIIe	Open	01-JAN-2019
Sole	VIIIfg	Open	
Sole	VIIh,j,k	Open	01-JAN-2019
Sprats		Open	01-JAN-2019

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SPECIES	SEA AREAS	CLOSED / OPEN	EFFECTIVE DATE
Sprats	EU Waters of IIa & IV		
Sprats	VIIId,e	Open	01-JAN-2019
Spurdog	EU Waters of IIa & IV	Permanently closed	
Spurdog	EU and International Waters of Vb,VI,VII,VIII,XII & XIV	Permanently closed	
Turbot & brill	EU Waters of IIa & IV	Open	
Tusk	EU and International Waters of IIa & XIV	Open	
Tusk	EU Waters of IV	Open	
Tusk	EU and International Waters of Vb,VI,VII	Open	
Tusk	Norwegian Waters of IV	Open	01-JAN-2019
Undulate ray (raja undulata)	EU and International Waters of VI,VII,VIII,IX	Permanently closed	
White sharks	EU and International Waters of IIa,IV,Vb,VI,VII,VIII,IX,X,XII & XIV	Permanently closed	
White skate (rostroraja alba)	EU and International Waters of VI,VIIa-c,e-k,VIII,IX	Permanently closed	
Whiting	VIII,IX,X and EU Waters of CECAF 34.1.1	Permanently closed	
Whiting	IV; EU Waters of IIa	Open	01-JAN-2020
Whiting	VI; EU and International Waters of Vb; International Waters of XII & XIV	Open	01-JAN-2020
Whiting	VIIa	Open	01-JAN-2020
Whiting	VIIb-k	Open	01-JAN-2020

**Footnotes**

- <sup>1</sup> "Scottish inshore waters" means the sea adjacent to the coast of Scotland and to the landward of a limit of 6 nautical miles from the baseline from which the territorial sea is measured, up to the mean high water mark of ordinary spring tides.
- <sup>2</sup> The Thames and Blackwater coastal area means the area of sea within a zone delimited by a line running due south from Landguard Point in 51° 56' North and 1° 19' East to 51° 33' North and thence due west to a point on the coast of England.
- <sup>3</sup> "Firth of Clyde" means the area of sea situated to the north-east of a line drawn between: the Mull of Kintyre (55°17.9'N, 05°47.8'W); a point at position (55°04'N, 05°23'W) and Corsewall Point (55°00.5'N, 05°09.4'W).
- <sup>4</sup> All species except cod, haddock, saithe, whiting, plaice, ling, anglerfish, nephrops, tusk, Norway pout, blue whiting, mackerel and herring
- <sup>5</sup> Mackerel caught in EU waters of ICES Division IVa in the periods between 1 September 2011 and 15 February 2012 and 1 September 2012 and 15 February 2013 shall be recorded against the Western mackerel quota. All other catches of mackerel in ICES Division IVa shall be recorded against the North Sea mackerel quota, and shall be subject to any quota limitations set out at Part II of this Annex.
- <sup>6</sup> Atlanto-Scandian Herring - International and Community Waters of ICES II
- <sup>9</sup> 'Porcupine Bank' - Unit 16 - Area bounded by the co-ordinates: 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; 53° 30' N 15° 00' W
- <sup>10</sup> Deep-water catsharks (Apristurus spp.), Frilled shark (Chlamydoselachus anguineus), Gulper sharks (Centrophorus spp.), Portuguese dogfish (Centroscymnus coelolepis), Longnose velvet (Centroscymnus crepidater), Black dogfish (Centroscyllium fabricii), Birdbeak dogfish (Deania calcea), Kitefin shark (Dalatias licha), Greater lanternshark (Etmopterus princeps), Velvet belly (Etmopterus spinax), Mouse catshark (Galeus murinus), Bluntnose six-gilled shark (Hexanchus griseus), Sailfin roughshark (Sharpback shark) (Oxynotus paradoxus), Knifetooth dogfish (Scymnodon ringens) and Greenland shark (Somniosus microcephalus)

**DEEP SEA SPECIES**

SPECIES	SEA AREAS	CLOSED / OPEN	EFFECTIVE DATE
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**PART II - QUOTA LIMITATIONS**

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OTHER SPECIES	SEA AREA	QUOTA LIMIT
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Live weight can only be calculated by multiplying landed weight by the conversion factors set out below.

SPECIES	CODE	GUTTED	GUTTED & HEADED	FILLETS	PARTS
Anglerfish	ANF	1.22	3.0		3.0 <sup>1</sup>
Bass	BSE	1.125		2.7	
Blue Ling	BLE	1.17	1.32	2.8	
Blue Whiting	WHB	1.15			
Brill	BLL	1.09	2.7		
Cod	COD	1.17	1.7	2.6	1.38 <sup>2</sup>
Common Dab	DAB	1.11	1.39		
Common Sole	SOL	1.04		2.5	
Flounder	FLE	1.08		2.7	1.39 <sup>3</sup>
Greenland Halibut	GHL	1.08			
Halibut	HAL	1.08		2.7	
Haddock	HAD	1.17	1.46	2.6	
Hake	HKE	1.11	1.4	2.6	
Herring	HER	1.12	1.19		
Horse Mackerel	JAX	1.08			
Lemon Sole	LEM	1.05		2.5	
Ling	LIN	1.14	1.32	2.64	2.8 <sup>4</sup>
Mackerel	MAC	1.09			
Megrim	LEZ	1.06		2.5	
Mullet	MUL	1.125		2.7	
Nephrops	NEP				3.0 <sup>1</sup>
Plaice	PLE	1.05	1.39	2.4	
Pollack	POL	1.17	1.36	2.7	
Redfish	RED	1.19			
Red Mullet	MUR	1.125		2.7	
Saithe	POK	1.19	1.44	2.9	
Skates & Rays	SKA	1.13			2.09 <sup>5</sup>
Tope	GAG	1.125			
Turbot	TUR	1.09		2.7	
Tusk	USK	1.14			
Whiting	WHG	1.18	1.41	2.7	
Witch	WIT	1.06		2.7	

DEEP SEA SPECIES	CODE	GUTTED	GUTTED & HEADED	FILLETS	PARTS
Black Scabbardfish	BSF	1.24			1.4 <sup>2</sup>
Greater Forkbeard	GFB	1.11	1.4		
Roundnose Grenadier	RNG	1.11	1.92		
Red Seabream	SBR	1.11		2.7	3.2 <sup>6</sup>

**Footnotes**

<sup>1</sup> Tails    <sup>2</sup> Headed    <sup>3</sup> Gutted, headed and skinned    <sup>4</sup> Gutted and salted    <sup>5</sup> Wings    <sup>6</sup> Gutted, headed and tailed



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**PART III - Sea areas open or closed to fishing further to condition 5.1**

<b>COLUMN 1: ICES AREA/SUB-AREA</b>	<b>COLUMN 2: STATUS</b>
I - Barents Sea	OPEN
IIa - Norwegian Sea	OPEN
IIb - Spitzbergen and Bear Island	OPEN
IIIa - Skagerrak and Kattegat	OPEN
IIIb - Sound	OPEN
IIIc - Belt	OPEN
IIId - Baltic Sea	OPEN
IVa - Northern North Sea	OPEN
IVb - Central North Sea	OPEN
IVc - Southern North Sea	OPEN
Va - Iceland	OPEN
Vb - Faroes	OPEN
VIa - West of Scotland	OPEN
VIb - Rockall	OPEN
VIIa - Irish Sea	OPEN
VIIb - West Ireland	OPEN
VIIc - Porcupine Bank	OPEN
VIIId - Eastern English Channel	OPEN
VIIe - Western English Channel	OPEN
VIIIf - Bristol Channel	OPEN
VIIg - South-East Ireland	OPEN
VIIh - Little Sole	OPEN
VIIj - Great Sole	OPEN
VIIk - West Great Sole	OPEN
VIIIa - South Brittany	OPEN
VIIIb - South Biscay	OPEN
VIIIc - North and North West Spain	OPEN
VIIId - Central Biscay	OPEN
VIIIe - West Biscay	OPEN
IXa - Portuguese Coast	OPEN
IXb - West Portugal	OPEN
X - Azores	OPEN
XII - North Azores	OPEN
XIVa - East Greenland	OPEN
XIVb - South-east Greenland	OPEN

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