

Minimum Sizes for Fish and Shellfish

EU/ National		Devon & Severn IFCA	
Species	Size (cms)	Species	Size (cms)
Anchovy	12	Anchovy	12
Bass	42	Bass	42
Cod	35	Cod	35
Haddock	30	Haddock	30
Hake	27	Hake	27
Herring	20	Herring	20
Horse Mackerel	15	Horse Mackerel	15
Ling	63	Ling	63
Blue Ling	70	Blue Ling	70
Mackerel	20	Mackerel	20
Mackerel (North sea)	30		
Megrim	20	Megrim	20
Plaice	27	Plaice	27
Pollack	30	Pollack	30
Saithe (Coley)	35	Saithe (Coley)	35
Sardine	11	Sardine	11
Sole	24	Sole	24
Whiting	27	Whiting	27

Species	Size (cms)	Species	Size (cms)
Lobster (Carapace)	8.7	Lobster (Carapace)	9
Queen Scallop	4	Queen Scallop	4
Spider Crab (female)	12	Spider Crab (female)	13
Spider Crab (male)	13	Spider Crab (male)	13
Scallop	10	Scallop	10
Scallop (7D & Wales)	11		
Velvet Crab	6.5	Velvet Crab	6.5
Crawfish (Carapace)	9.5	Crawfish (Carapace)	11
Surf Clam	2.5	Surf Clam	2.5
Nephrops (overall)	8.5	Nephrops (overall)	8.5
Nephrops (carapace)	2.5	Nephrops (carapace)	2.5
Nephrops (tails)	4.6	Nephrops (tails)	4.6
Whelk (length of shell)	4.5	Whelk (length of shell)	4.5
Edible Crab (female)	Various	Edible Crab (Female)	15
Edible Crabs (male)	Various	Edible Crabs (Male)	16
Winkles		Winkles	1.6 ¹ (square)

Notes

¹Winkle size refers to 1.6 cm square gauge.

Female edible crab sizes vary in other areas. Other minimum landing sizes apply for nephrops in areas 7A and 6A.