



SEA FISHERIES REGULATION ACT 1966

The Committee for the Cornwall Sea Fisheries District in exercise of their powers under Section 5 of the Sea Fisheries Regulation Act 1966 hereby revoke the existing byelaw and make the following new byelaw.

PURSE SEINE AND RING NETS

1. This byelaw applies to any part of the Cornwall Sea Fisheries District within a line drawn on the seaward side of the baselines 6 nautical miles from the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea adjacent to the United Kingdom is measured. For the purposes of this paragraph "the baselines" means the baselines as they existed at 25th January 1983 in accordance with the Territorial Waters Order in Council 1964 (1965 III p.6452A) as amended by the Territorial Waters (Amendment) Order in Council 1979 (1979 II p.2866).
2. No person shall within the Cornwall Sea Fisheries District use in fishing for sea fish, any purse seine net or ring net or similar net which is used for taking fish by encircling them, provided that this byelaw shall not apply to any person:
 - (a) using a seine net which is cast from and hauled onto the shore; or
 - (b) working a net from a boat of less than 18.28 metres overall length; or
 - (a) fishing for scientific purposes, with the written authority in that behalf of the Local Fisheries Committee signed by their Clerk and in accordance with any conditions contained in that authority.
3. For the purposes of this byelaw:
 - (a) "overall length" means the distance in a straight line between the foremost part of the bow and the aftermost part of the stern;
 - (b) "bow" includes the stem, forward bulwark and any permanent fixtures thereto, but excludes bowsprits and safety rails;
 - (c) "stern" includes the transom and any trawl ramp, bulwark and other permanent fixtures thereto, but excludes the rudder and rudderpost.

4. This byelaw shall come into operation on the confirmation hereof by the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and may be cited as the Cornwall Sea Fisheries District Purse Seine and Ring Net Byelaw 2011.