



CORNWALL INSHORE FISHERIES AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

MARINE AND COASTAL ACCESS ACT 2009 (c.23)

The Manacles Marine Conservation Zone (Fishing Restrictions) Byelaw 2017

The Authority for the Cornwall Inshore Fisheries and Conservation District in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 155 and 156 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 makes the following byelaw for that District.

Interpretation

1. In this byelaw:
 - (a) "Authority" means the Cornwall Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority as defined in Articles 2 and 4 of The Cornwall Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Order 2010 (Statutory Instrument 2010 No.2188);
 - (b) "bottom towed gear" means any trawl or dredge used for taking sea fisheries resources when it is in connection with the seabed or other land;
 - (c) "Manacles Marine Conservation Zone" means the area defined in the schedule.

Prohibition

2. A person must not use bottom towed gear in the Manacles Marine Conservation Zone.
3. A person must not cause bottom towed gear, or any part thereof, to be below the surface of the sea in the Manacles Marine Conservation Zone.

Exemption

4. Paragraphs 2 and 3 do not apply to a person performing an act which would otherwise constitute an offence against this byelaw, if that act was carried out in accordance with a written permission issued by the Authority, permitting that act for scientific, stocking or breeding purposes.

Schedule

Definition of the Manacles Marine Conservation Zone

The Manacles Marine Conservation Zone means the area enclosed by a geodesic line starting at point A and then drawn in succession to points B, C and D, and then following the line at mean high water to end at point A.

Points A, B, C and D are defined by the following co-ordinates using World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84) datum:

Point A: 50° 03.286'N, 005° 03.573'W

Point B: 50° 03.286'N, 005° 02.135'W

Point C: 50° 02.378'N, 005° 02.135'W

Point D: 50° 02.378'N, 005° 04.177'W

Explanatory Note

(This note does not form part of the byelaw)

This byelaw prohibits the use of bottom trawls and dredges in the Manacles Marine Conservation Zone, to protect the features for which it was designated under The Manacles Marine Conservation Zone Designation Order 2013. It is also prohibited to cause any part of a bottom trawl or dredge fishing gear arrangement to be below the surface of the water in that area.

Bottom towed gear used contrary to the prohibitions within the byelaw for scientific, stocking or breeding purposes may be allowed by written permission of the Authority.