

## 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.

## **CRAWFISH**

- 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 remove from a fishery within the District any crawfish of the species *Palinurus elephas* with a length of less than 110mm; being the length measured along the centre line of the body shell (carapace) from the tip of the central rostral spine to the rear end of the body shell.
- 3. No person shall remove from a fishery any part of a crawfish (*Palinurus elephas*) (including the tail) which is detached from the body of the crawfish.
- 4. Any crawfish (*Palinurus elephas*) measuring less than the size prescribed in paragraph 2, or any detached parts of a crawfish, shall be returned immediately to the sea.
- 5. Provided that this byelaw shall not apply to any person removing any such crawfish (*Palinurus elephas*) for scientific purposes, or for stocking or breeding 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.
- 6. 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 Crawfish Byelaw 2011.