

## 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.

## LOBSTER

- This byelaw applies to any part of the Cornwall Sea Fisheries District within a line drawn seaward side of the baselines drawn 6 nautical miles from 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 25<sup>th</sup> 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 lobster of the species *Homarus gammarus* which has a carapace length less than that specified in paragraph 4 below.
- 3. The carapace length shall be measured parallel to the mid line from the back of either eye socket to the distal edge of the carapace.
- 4. The minimum size for lobster (*Homarus gammarus*), as measured in accordance with paragraph 3 above, shall be 90 millimetres.
- 5. Any lobster (*Homarus gammarus*) measuring less than the size prescribed in paragraph 4 shall be returned immediately to the sea.
- 6. Provided that this byelaw shall not apply to any person removing any such lobster (*Homarus gammarus*) 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.
- 7. 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 Lobster Byelaw 2011.