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In Article 2(1)

for: ' The exemption from the landing obligation provided for in Article 15(4)(b) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013, for species for which scientific evidence demonstrates high survival rates, shall apply to the following catches of Norway lobster:

- (a) catches with pots (FPO);
- (b) catches in ICES Division IIIa with bottom trawls (OTB, TBN) with a mesh size of at least 90mm equipped with:
 - species selective grid with bar spacing of maximum 35mm, or
 - a top panel of at least 270 mm mesh size (diamond mesh) or at least 140 mm mesh size (square mesh).'

read: ' The exemption from the landing obligation provided for in Article 15(4)(b) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013, for species for which scientific evidence demonstrates high survival rates, shall apply to the following catches of Norway lobster:

- (a) catches with pots (FPO);
- (b) catches in ICES Division IIIa with bottom trawls (OTB, TBN) with a mesh size of at least 70 mm equipped with a species selective grid with bar spacing of maximum 35mm; and
- (c) catches in ICES Division IIIa with bottom trawls (OTB, TBN) with a mesh size of at least 90 mm equipped with a top panel of at least 270 mm mesh size (diamond mesh) or at least 140 mm mesh size (square mesh).'

In Article 2(2)

for: 'Norway lobster caught in cases referred to in paragraph 1(a) and (b) shall be released immediately and in the area where it has been caught.'

read: 'Norway lobster caught in cases referred to in paragraph 1(a), (b) and (c) shall be released immediately and in the area where it has been caught.'

In point (d) of Article 3(1)

for: ' (d) for common sole below minimum conservation reference size, up to a maximum of 7% of the total annual catches of this species by vessels using beam trawl (TBB) of mesh size equal to or larger than 80 and less than 119 mm with increased mesh size in the extension of the beam trawl in ICES Subarea IV.'

read: ' (d) for common sole below minimum conservation reference size, up to a maximum of 7% of the total annual catches of this species by vessels using beam trawl (TBB) of mesh size 80-119 mm with increased mesh size in the extension of the beam trawl in ICES Subarea IV.'

In point (e) of Article 3(1)

for: '(e) for Norway lobster below minimum conservation reference size, up to a maximum of 6% of the total annual catches of this species by vessels using bottom trawls (OTB, TBN, OTT, TB) of mesh size equal to or larger than 80 mm and less than 99 mm in ICES Subarea IV and Union waters of ICES Division IIa'

read: '(e) for Norway lobster below minimum conservation reference size, up to a maximum of 6% of the total annual catches of this species by vessels using bottom trawls (OTB, TBN, OTT, TB) of mesh size 80-99 mm in ICES Subarea IV and Union waters of ICES Division IIa'.

In point (b) of Article 4

for: '(b) carapace length of 59 mm.'

read: ' (b) carapace length of 32 mm.'

In the second paragraph of Article 6

for: 'By 31 December 2015 they shall submit to the Commission and other Member States, using the secure Union control website, the lists of vessels established pursuant to paragraph 1 for each particular fishery set out in the Annex. They shall keep those lists updated.'

read: 'By 31 December 2015 they shall submit to the Commission and other Member States, using the secure Union control website, the lists of all saithe targeting vessels, as defined in the Annex, established pursuant to the first paragraph. They should keep those lists updated.'

In the Annex, in the second and third row of the table

for:

Trawls: OTB, OTT, OT, PTB, PT, TBN, TBS, OTM, PTM, TMS, TM, TX, SDN, SSC, SPR, TB, SX, SV	In ICES Subarea VI and in Union waters of ICES Division IIa: 80-99mm	In all areas, all catches of Norway lobster and common sole (4). All by-catches of Northern prawn.
	In ICES Division IIIa: 70-99mm	In ICES Division IIIa: all catches of haddock.
Trawls: OTB, OTT, OT, PTB, PT, TBN, TBS, OTM, PTM, TMS, TM, TX, SDN, SSC, SPR, TB, SX, SVPS	32-69mm	All catches of Northern prawn.

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