



IMPLEMENTATION OF TECHNICAL MEASURES REGULATION (Reg. (UE) 2019/1241)

What work for MEDAC in the next months?

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WHY THIS ITEM?

THERE IS A NEED TO DEVELOP A FRAMEWORK FOR THE REGULATION OF TECHNICAL MEASURES (RECITAL 3 OF TM REG.).

THE FRAMEWORK SHOULD:

CHAPTERII

ESTABLISH GENERAL RULES WHICH ARE TO APPLY ACROSS ALL UNION WATERS

CHAPTER III

PROVIDE FOR THE ADOPTION OF
TECHNICAL MEASURES THAT TAKE
ACCOUNT OF THE REGIONAL SPECIFICITIES
OF FISHERIES THROUGH THE
REGIONALISATION PROCESS INTRODUCED
BY REGULATION (EU) No 1380/2013

REFERENCIES TO THE ADVISORY COUNCILS IN REG. 2019/1241

RECITAL 38 AND ART. 31.1: THE REPORT TO THE EP AND TO THE COUNCIL ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TM REGULATION IS ON THE BASIS OF INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY MEMBER STATES AND THE RELEVANT ADVISORY COUNCILS AND FOLLOWING EVALUATION BY STECF.

ART. 6, POINT 10) – DEFINITIONS:

'Advisory Councils' means stakeholder groups established in accordance with Article 43 of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013;

ARTICLE 14: PILOT PROJECTS FOR THE AVOIDANCE OF UNWANTED CATCHES. MS MAY CONDUCT PILOT PROJECTS WITH THE AIM OF EXPLORING METHODS FOR THE AVOIDANCE, MINIMISATION AND ELIMINATION OF UNWANTED CATCHES. THOSE PILOT PROJECTS SHALL TAKE ACCOUNT OF THE OPINIONS OF THE RELEVANT ADVISORY COUNCILS AND BE BASED ON THE BEST AVAILABLE SCIENTIFIC ADVICE.

CHAPTER II: COMMON TECHNICAL MEASURES

5 SECTIONS — GENERAL RULES

- ✓ **SECTION 1 Prohibited fishing gear and uses**
 - ✓ ARTICLE 7: PROHIBITED FISHING GEAR AND METHODS
- ✓ **SECTION 2:** GENERAL RESTRICTIONS ON GEAR AND CONDITIONS FOR THEIR USE
 - ✓ ARTICLE 8: GENERAL RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF TOWED GEAR
 - ✓ ARTICLE 9: GENERAL RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF STATIC NETS AND DRIFTNETS
- ✓ **SECTION 3**: GENERAL RESTRICTIONS ON GEAR AND CONDITIONS FOR THEIR USE
 - ✓ ARTICLE 10: PROHIBITED FISH AND SHELLFISH SPECIES
 - ✓ ARTICLE 11: CATCHES OF MARINE MAMMALS, SEABIRDS AND MARINE REPTILES
 - ✓ ARTICLE 12: PROTECTION FOR SENSITIVE HABITATS INCLUDING VULNERABLE MARINE ECOSYSTEMS
- ✓ **SECTION 4: MINIMUM CONSERVATION REFERENCE SIZES**
 - **✓ ARTICLE 13: MINIMUM CONSERVATION REFERENCE SIZES**
- ✓ **SECTION 5:** Measures to reduce discarding
 - ✓ ARTICLE 14: PILOT PROJECTS FOR THE AVOIDANCE OF UNWANTED CATCHES

CHAPTER III: REGIONALISATION 1/2

IN ORDER TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT REGIONAL SPECIFICITIES OF THE RELEVANT FISHERIES, THE COMMISSION IS EMPOWERED TO ADOPT DELEGATED ACTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 29 OF THIS REGULATION AND ARTICLE 18 OF REGULATION (EU) NO

1380/2013

ARTICLE 29 EXERCISE OF THE DELEGATION

- DURATION OF THE DELEGATION
- REVOCATION
- Consultation of SM Experts
 (Interinstitutional Agreement of 13 April 2016 on Better Law-making)
- PROCEDURE

PROCEDURE FOR REGIONALIZATION

AC→JR TO MS→EC

→ DELEGATED ACT (PREVIOUS STECF)

TO AMEND, SUPPLEMENT, OR DEROGATE THE TECHNICAL FROM **MEASURES SET OUT IN** THE ANNEXES, INCLUDING WHEN **IMPLEMENTING** THE LANDING OBLIGATION THE CONTEXT OF **ARTICLE 15(5) AND (6) OF PCP REGULATION**

CHAPTER III: REGIONALISATION 2/2

TECHNICAL MEASURES ESTABLISHED AT REGIONAL LEVEL ARE SET OUT IN THE ANNEXES V-XI AND XIII AND:

AIM AT ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVES AND TARGETS OF THE REGULATION

SHALL BE GUIDED BY THE PRINCIPLES OF GOOD GOVERNANCE SET OUT IN ARTICLE 3 OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1380/2013

RULES FOR JR

DEFINED
IN ARTT. 16-23

MS SHALL
PROVIDE
SCIENTIFIC
EVIDENCE TO
SUPPORT JR

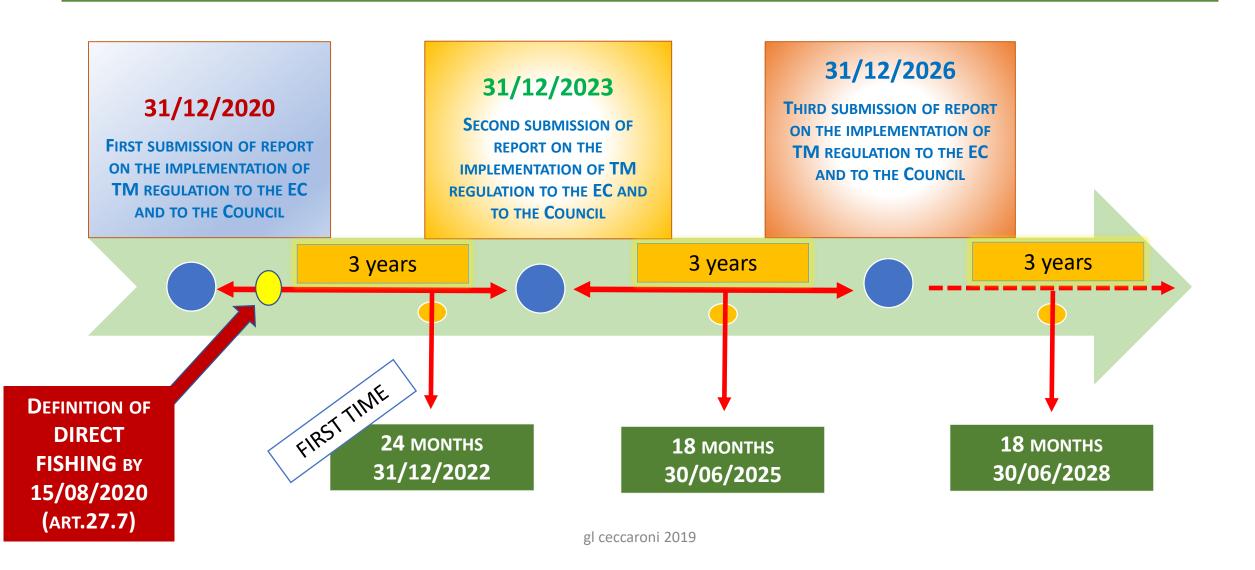
AIM AT ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVES AND COMPLY WITH THE CONDITIONS SET OUT IN OTHER RELEVANT UNION ACTS ADOPTED IN THE AREA OF THE CFP, IN PARTICULAR IN THE MULTIANNUAL PLANS (CFP)

AS A MINIMUM, LEAD TO SUCH BENEFITS FOR THE CONSERVATION OF MARINE BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES THAT ARE AT LEAST EQUIVALENT, IN PARTICULAR IN TERMS OF EXPLOITATION PATTERNS AND THE LEVEL OF PROTECTION PROVIDED FOR SENSITIVE SPECIES AND HABITATS, TO THE MEASURES INITIALLY PROVIDED IN THE ANNEXES.

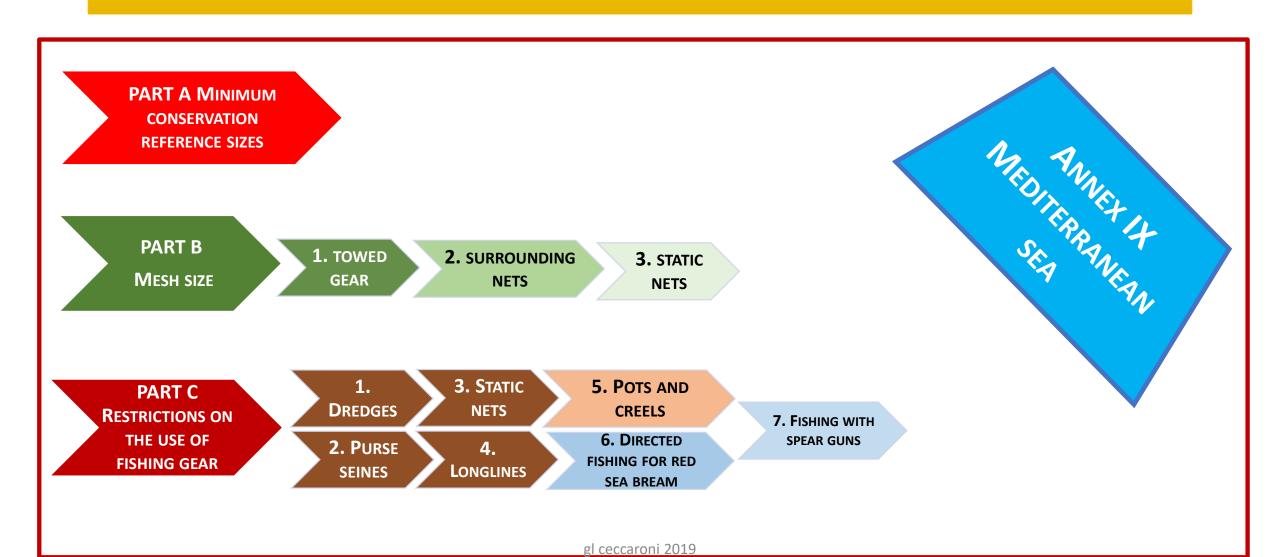
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TIMESHEET FOR SUBMISSION OF JR TO EC (ART. 15.3)

(MS ANYWAY MAY SUBMIT RECOMMENDATIONS WHEN DEEMED NECESSARY BY THEM)



TM ANNEXES STRUCTURE





NEXT WORK FOR ADVISORY COUNCILS...



DEFINITION OF DIRECTED FISHING (ART. 27.7)

RECREATIONAL FISHING (ART 2.2)

PILOT PROJECTS ON FULL DOCUMENTATION ON CATCHES AND DISCARDS (ART 23.1 AND ART. 23.5)

SENSITIVE HABITATS (ART. 12.2)

RESTRICTIONS ON TOWED GEARS (ART. 8.3)

SPECIES FOR SELECTIVITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS (ART. 31.4)

RECREATIONAL FISHING (ART 2.2)



In cases where recreational fishing has a significant impact in a particular region, the Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts pursuant to Article 15 and in accordance with Article 29 in order to amend this Regulation by providing that the relevant provisions of Article 13 (MCRS) or parts A (MCRS) or C (Restrictions on the use of fishing gear) of Annexes V to X also apply to recreational fishing.

NOTE: LETTER OF ACTING DG FREISS (22/10/2019) «...I WOULD EXPECT THE REGIONAL GROUPS TO CONSIDER SUBMITTING JOINT RECOMMENDATIONS ON MINIMUM CONSERVATION REFERENCE SIZES OR ON CLOSED OR RESTRICTED AREAS COVERING RECREATIONAL FISHING OF PARTS A AND C OF ANNEXES V TO X, WHERE THIS CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THE OBJECTIVES OF THE CFP.»

«This would be, in particular, the case of the stocks where the scientific advice has already established that recreational fishing has a significant impact on fish resources of the region(s)....»





RESTRICTIONS ON TOWED GEARS (ART. 8.3)



WHENEVER MORE THAN ONE NET IS TOWED SIMULTANEOUSLY BY A FISHING VESSEL OR BY MORE THAN ONE FISHING VESSEL, EACH NET SHALL HAVE THE SAME NOMINAL MESH SIZE.

THE COMMISSION IS EMPOWERED TO ADOPT DELEGATED ACTS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 15 AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 29 DEROGATING FROM THIS PARAGRAPH, WHERE THE USE OF SEVERAL NETS HAVING A DIFFERENT MESH SIZE LEADS TO SUCH BENEFITS FOR THE CONSERVATION OF MARINE BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES THAT ARE AT LEAST EQUIVALENT TO THOSE OF EXISTING FISHING METHODS.

SENSITIVE SPECIES (ART. 10.4)

THE COMMISSION IS EMPOWERED TO ADOPT DELEGATED ACTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 29 TO AMEND THE LIST SET OUT IN ANNEX I (PROHIBITED SPECIES), WHERE THE BEST AVAILABLE SCIENTIFIC ADVICE INDICATES THAT AN AMENDMENT OF THAT LIST IS NECESSARY.

SENSITIVE HABITATS (ART. 12.2)



Where the best available scientific advice recommends an amendment of the list of areas of Annex II (Closed areas for the protection of sensitive habitats), the Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 29 of this Regulation and pursuant to the procedure laid down in Article 11(2) and (3)* of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013, to amend Annex II accordingly. When adopting such amendments, the Commission shall give particular attention to the mitigation of negative effects of the displacement of fishing activity to other sensitive areas.

* ARTICLE 11(2) AND (3) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1380/2013 - ART. 18.1-4 (REGIONALISATION)

PILOT PROJECTS ON FULL DOCUMENTATION ON CATCHES AND DISCARDS (ART 23.1 REGIONALISATION PROCEDURE AND ART. 23.5)

23.1: THE COMMISSION IS EMPOWERED TO ADOPT DELEGATED ACTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 29 OF THIS REGULATION AND ARTICLE 18 OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1380/2013, SUPPLEMENTING THIS REGULATION BY DEFINING PILOT PROJECTS THAT DEVELOP A SYSTEM OF FULL DOCUMENTATION OF CATCHES AND DISCARDS BASED ON MEASURABLE OBJECTIVES AND TARGETS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF A RESULTS-BASED MANAGEMENT OF FISHERIES.

23.5: THE COMMISSION IS EMPOWERED TO ADOPT DELEGATED ACTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 29 SUPPLEMENTING THIS REGULATION BY DEFINING THE TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS OF A SYSTEM FOR FULL DOCUMENTATION OF CATCHES AND DISCARDS REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS ARTICLE.

DEFINITION OF DIRECTED FISHING (ART. 27.7)

PROCEDURE

THE COMMISSION IS EMPOWERED TO ADOPT DELEGATED ACTS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 15 AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 29 IN ORDER TO FURTHER DEFINE THE TERM 'DIRECTED FISHING' FOR RELEVANT SPECIES IN PART B (MESH SIZE) OF ANNEXES V TO X AND PART A OF ANNEX XI. FOR THIS PURPOSE, MEMBER STATES HAVING A DIRECT MANAGEMENT INTEREST IN THE FISHERIES CONCERNED SHALL SUBMIT ANY JOINT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE FIRST TIME NOT LATER THAN 15 AUGUST 2020.

IN ANNEX IX, PART B: AT LEAST 20 MM MESH SIZE — «DIRECTED FISHING FOR SARDINE AND ANCHOVY»

In Reg. 1967/06: «9.4. For trawl nets targeting sardine and anchovy, where these species account for at least 80 % of the catch in live weight after sorting, the minimum mesh size shall be 20 mm.»

SPECIES FOR SELECTIVITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS (ART. 31.4)

THE COMMISSION MAY ALSO PROPOSE TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND TO THE COUNCIL ANY NECESSARY AMENDMENTS TO THIS REGULATION ON THE BASIS OF THAT REPORT. THE COMMISSION IS EMPOWERED TO ADOPT DELEGATED ACTS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 15 AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 29 IN ORDER TO AMEND THE LIST OF SPECIES SET OUT IN ANNEX XIV (SPECIES FOR SELECTIVITY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS).





FOR THE FISHERIES EXPLOITING DEMERSAL STOCKS IN THE WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN SEA (REG.(UE)2019/1022)

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CHAPTER 1 GENERAL PROVISIONS



CHAPTER III FISHING EFFORT







CHAPTER VII AMENDMENTS AND FOLLOW UP

CHAPTER VIII PROCEDURAL PROVISIONS

CHAPTER IX EUROPEAN MARITIME AND FISHERIES FUND
CHAPTER X FINAL PROVISIONS

CHAPTER II: REGIONALISATION

ARTICLE 18(1) TO (6) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1380/2013 SHALL APPLY TO THE MEASURES REFERRED TO IN ARTICLES 11 TO 14 OF WEST MED REGULATION

ARTICLE 11
CLOSURE AREAS

ARTICLE 13
SPECIFIC CONSERVATION
MEASURE

ARTICLE 14
PROVISIONS ON THE LANDING OBLIGATION

ARTICLE 12

MANAGEMENT OF BY-CATCH STOCKS AND DEMERSAL

STOCKS FOR WHICH SUFFICIENT DATA ARE NOT

AVAILABLE

ARTICLE 14 PROVISIONS ON THE LANDING OBLIGATION

FOR ALL STOCKS OF SPECIES IN THE WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN SEA TO WHICH THE LANDING OBLIGATION APPLIES UNDER ARTICLE 15(1) OF CFP, AND FOR INCIDENTAL CATCHES OF PELAGIC SPECIES IN FISHERIES EXPLOITING THE STOCKS LISTED IN ARTICLE 1(2) OF THIS REGULATION TO WHICH THE LANDING OBLIGATION APPLIES, THE COMMISSION, AFTER CONSULTING THE MEMBER STATES, IS EMPOWERED TO ADOPT DELEGATED ACTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 18 OF THIS REGULATION AND ARTICLE 18 OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1380/2013 SUPPLEMENTING THIS REGULATION BY SPECIFYING DETAILS OF THAT OBLIGATION AS PROVIDED FOR IN POINTS (A) TO (E) OF ARTICLE 15(5) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1380/2013.

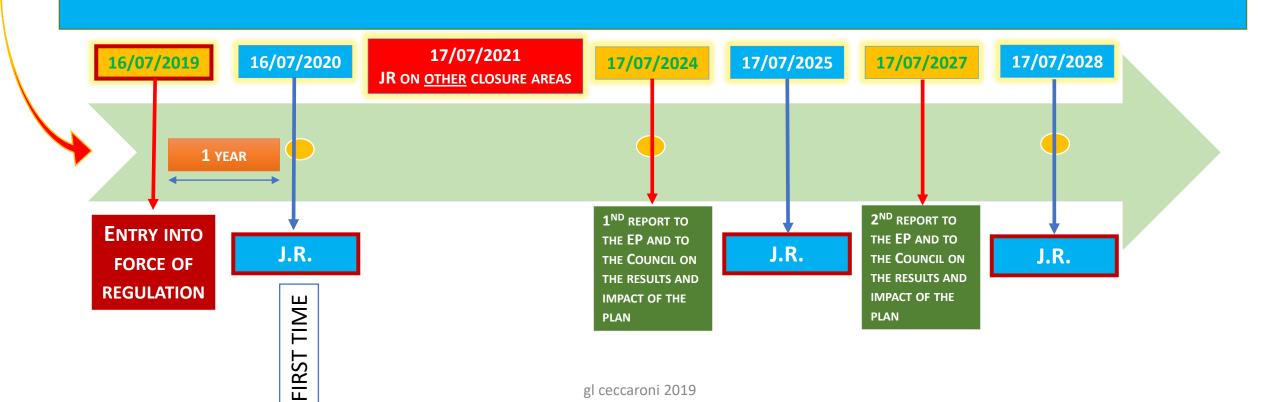
SPECIES OF ART. 1.2 IN THE WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN SEA TO WHICH THE LANDING OBLIGATION APPLIES (IN BLUE)

- (A) BLUE AND RED SHRIMP (ARISTEUS ANTENNATUS)
- (B) DEEP-WATER ROSE SHRIMP (PARAPENAEUS LONGIROSTRIS)
 - (C) GIANT RED SHRIMP (ARISTAEOMORPHA FOLIACEA)
 - (D) EUROPEAN HAKE (MERLUCCIUS MERLUCCIUS)
 - (E) NORWAY LOBSTER (NEPHROPS NORVEGICUS);
 - (F) RED MULLET (MULLUS BARBATUS)

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PRESENTATION OF JOINT RECCOMENDATIONS (ART. 15.2)

- 1) TIMESHEET AS SHOWN BELOW
- 2) BY 1 JULY OF THE YEAR PRECEDING THAT IN WHICH THE MEASURES ARE TO APPLY; AND/OR
- 3) WHENEVER THEY DEEM NECESSARY, IN PARTICULAR IN THE EVENT OF AN ABRUPT CHANGE IN THE SITUATION OF ANY OF THE STOCKS TO WHICH THIS REGULATION APPLIES.



AMENDMENT TO REGULATION WESTMED

REG. 2019/1241 MODIFIES ARTICLE 13 (SPECIFIC CONSERVATION MEASURES) OF REGULATION (EU) 2019/1022, BECAUSE IT SHOULD COMPLY WITH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS SET OUT IN THIS REGULATION IN THE INTEREST OF LEGAL CERTAINTY.

So, there was a Joint statement by the European Parliament and the Council at the approvation of Reg. WESTMED:

«The European Parliament and the Council intend to repeal the empowerments to adopt technical measures by means of delegated acts under Article 13 of this Regulation when they adopt a new regulation on technical measures which includes an empowerment covering the same measures.»

AMENDMENT TO REGULATION WESTMED New Article 13

- 1. THE COMMISSION IS EMPOWERED TO ADOPT DELEGATED ACTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ART. 18 OF THIS REGULATION AND ART. 18 OF REG. 1380/2013 IN ORDER TO SUPPLEMENT THIS REGULATION REGARDING THE FOLLOWING TECHNICAL MEASURES, INSOFAR AS THEY ARE NOT COVERED BY REGULATION (EU) 2019/1241 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL:
- (A) SPECIFICATIONS OF CHARACTERISTICS OF FISHING GEAR AND RULES GOVERNING THEIR USE, TO ENSURE OR IMPROVE SELECTIVITY, TO REDUCE UNWANTED CATCHES OR TO MINIMISE THE NEGATIVE IMPACT ON THE ECOSYSTEM;
- (B) SPECIFICATIONS OF MODIFICATIONS OR ADDITIONAL DEVICES TO THE FISHING GEAR, TO ENSURE OR IMPROVE SELECTIVITY, TO REDUCE UNWANTED CATCHES OR TO MINIMISE THE NEGATIVE IMPACT ON THE ECOSYSTEM;
- (c) LIMITATIONS OR PROHIBITIONS ON THE USE OF CERTAIN FISHING GEAR AND ON FISHING ACTIVITIES, IN CERTAIN AREAS OR PERIODS TO PROTECT SPAWNING FISH, FISH BELOW THE MINIMUM CONSERVATION REFERENCE SIZE OR NON-TARGET FISH SPECIES, OR TO MINIMISE THE NEGATIVE IMPACT ON THE ECOSYSTEM;
- (D) THE FIXING OF MINIMUM CONSERVATION REFERENCE SIZES FOR ANY OF THE STOCKS TO WHICH THIS REGULATION APPLIES, TO ENSURE THE PROTECTION OF JUVENILES OF MARINE ORGANISMS; AND
- (E) ON RECREATIONAL FISHERIES.





THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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