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**REGULATION (EEC) No 3323/74 OF THE COMMISSION
of 20 December 1974**

amending Regulation (EEC) No 3559/73 as regards the landing areas very distant from the main centres of consumption in the Community and the conversion factors to be applied in those areas

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community ;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70 ⁽¹⁾ of 20 October 1970 on the common organization of the market in fishery products, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2682/74 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 10 ⁽⁵⁾ thereof ;

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 135/73 ⁽³⁾ of 15 January 1973 laid down general rules for determining the landing areas which are very distant from the main centres of consumption in the Community ;

Whereas the landing areas very distant from the main centres of consumption in the Community and the relevant conversion factors were specified in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3559/73 ⁽⁴⁾ of 21 December 1973 laying down detailed rules for granting financial compensation and indemnities, fixing the withdrawal price and determining the buying-in price for certain fishery products ;

Whereas the areas and conversion factors as specified in the abovementioned Regulation no longer altogether correspond to the situation as it has developed over the past fishing year ; whereas the structural situation of the area between Berwick-upon-Tweed and the port of Hartlepool on the east coast of the United Kingdom is such that normal disposal of the herring catch is likely to be impeded ; whereas area No 1 for herring as defined in Regulation (EEC) No 3559/73 should therefore be extended ;

Whereas for the same reason the area defined for mackerel should be extended to include the western, northern and north-eastern coastal areas of Scotland as far as Aberdeen and the islands to the west and north of these areas ;

Whereas the second subparagraph of Article 10 ⁽⁴⁾ of Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70 provides that, in order to ensure that producers in landing areas very distant from the main centres of consumption in the Community have access to markets under satisfactory conditions, the Community withdrawal prices may be multiplied by conversion factors for these areas ; whereas these conversion factors are to be determined in such a way that the differences between the prices thus adjusted correspond to the price differences to be expected in the event of normal production in natural conditions of price formation on the market ;

Whereas, in view of the way herring and sardine prices in these areas have developed and may be expected to develop, the corresponding conversion factors should be adjusted ;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the Opinion of the Management Committee for Fishery Products,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

Annex III to Regulation (EEC) No 3559/73 is replaced by the following :

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 236, 27. 10. 1970, p. 5.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 288, 25. 10. 1974, p. 3.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 18, 23. 1. 1973, p. 1.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 361, 29. 12. 1973, p. 53.

ANNEX III

Species	Landing areas	Conversion factors
Herring	1. All coastal areas of and islands off Ireland, Northern Ireland and Great Britain north of a line from Loop Head (west coast of Ireland) through Wicklow Head (east coast of Ireland) and Fleetwood (west coast of England) to Hartlepool (east coast of England); with the exception of the Isle of Man.	0.800
	2. Coastal areas and islands south of a line from Loop Head to Wicklow Head in Ireland.	0.930
Mackerel	3. Coastal areas of and islands off Ireland, Northern Ireland and the counties of Cornwall and Devon in England; western, northern and north-eastern coastal areas of Scotland to Aberdeen and the islands to the west and north of these areas.	0.760
Whiting	4. Coastal areas of Ireland and Northern Ireland, the coastal area of Great Britain from Whitehaven in England to Wick in north-eastern Scotland and the islands to the west and north of these areas; with the exception of the Isle of Man.	0.936
Sardines (Atlantic)	5. Coastal areas of and islands off the counties of Cornwall and Devon in England.	0.440*

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1975.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 20 December 1974.

For the Commission

The President

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