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**The Inshore Fishing (Prohibition of Fishing
and Fishing Methods) (Scotland) Order 2015**

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

“beam trawl” means a type of demersal trawl which has its mouth extended by a beam, bar or other rigid device;

“boundary line” means a boundary delineated by a line as described in any of Schedules 1 to 13;

“co-ordinate” means a co-ordinate of latitude and longitude according to the World Geodetic System 1984 Datum⁽¹⁾;

“creel” means a basket, small cage, pot, receptacle or container with one or more openings or entrances which may be baited and is placed on the seabed for the purpose of catching sea fish;

“demersal seine net” means an encircling net, attached to ropes, which is laid on, and towed across, the seabed;

“demersal trawl” means a net which is towed along the seabed;

“dredge” means—

- (a) a mechanical dredge; or
- (b) a suction dredge which raises material and sea fish from the seabed by the use of a solids pump, air lift or water jets which dig into the seabed;

“fishing gear” means a beam trawl, demersal seine net, demersal trawl, dredge, handline, passive gear, pelagic trawl, rod and line, or any other device used for fishing purposes, and any rope or wire associated with the gear;

“handline” means a single fishing line which is held in a person’s hand;

“horse mussel” means horse mussel of the species *Modiolus modiolus*;

“parlour creel” means a creel which has at least two compartments, entry to one or more of which is likely to be gained only through an internal connection from another compartment;

“passive gear” means any fishing gear or catch operation which does not require an active movement of the gear, including—

- (a) gillnets, trammel nets and trap nets;
- (b) drifting gillnets and drifting trammel nets, any of which may be equipped with anchoring, floating or navigational gear;
- (c) long lines and lines; and
- (d) creels and parlour creels;

⁽¹⁾ The World Geodetic System 1984 datum is defined at paragraph 2.1 of the United States National Imagery and Mapping Agency Technical Report TR8350.2, third edition, amendment 1 of 3rd January 2000 entitled “Department of Defense World Geodetic System 1984” (<http://earth-info.nga.mil/GandG/publications/tr8350.2/wgs84fin.pdf>).

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“pelagic trawl” means any trawl or encircling net which has no contact with the seabed during a fishing operation; and

“set net” means—

- (a) a gillnet, trammel net or trap net; or
- (b) a drifting gillnet or drifting trammel net, either of which may be equipped with anchoring, floating or navigational fishing gear.