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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1996 No. 2128**

**MARINE POLLUTION**

**The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of  
Pollution) (Limits) Regulations 1996**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>9th August 1996</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>15th August 1996</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>5th September 1996</i>

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by Article 2 of the Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution) (Law of the Sea Convention) Order 1996<sup>(1)</sup> and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution) (Limits) Regulations 1996 and shall come into force on 5th September 1996.

**2.** —The areas of sea defined in the Schedule to these Regulations, being above areas for the time being designated under section 1(7) of the Continental Shelf Act 1964<sup>(2)</sup>, are hereby specified as areas within which the jurisdiction and rights of the United Kingdom are exercisable in accordance with Part XII of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea<sup>(3)</sup> for the protection and preservation of the marine environment.

9th August 1996

*Malcolm Rifkind*  
Secretary of State for Foreign and  
Commonwealth Affairs

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<sup>(1)</sup> S.I.1996/282.  
<sup>(2)</sup> 1964 c. 29.  
<sup>(3)</sup> Cmnd. 8941.

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## SCHEDULE

1. Article 2 of this Order applies to the two areas each lying between the outer limit of the territorial sea adjacent to the United Kingdom and the Isle of Man and bounded by a series of lines as described in column 2 joining in the order given the co-ordinates specified in column 1.

6 Point No.	Column 1 Latitude	Longitude	Column 2 Line Type
<b>FIRST AREA</b>			
1.	55° 31' 13".36N	06° 45' 00".00W	1-2 Meridian of Longitude
2.	55° 28' 00".00N	06° 45' 00".00W	2-3 Parallel of Latitude
3.	55° 28' 00".00N	06° 48' 00".00W	3-4 Meridian of Longitude
4.	55° 30' 00".00N	06° 48' 00".00W	4-5 Parallel of Latitude
5.	55° 30' 00".00N	06° 51' 00".00W	5-6 Meridian of Longitude
6.	55° 35' 00".00N	06° 51' 00".00W	6-7 Parallel of Latitude
7.	55° 35' 00".00N	06° 57' 00".00W	7-8 Meridian of Longitude
8.	55° 40' 00".00N	06° 57' 00".00W	8-9 Parallel of Latitude
9.	55° 40' 00".00N	07° 02' 00".00W	9-10 Meridian of Longitude
10.	55° 45' 00".00N	07° 02' 00".00W	10-11 Parallel of Latitude
11.	55° 45' 00".00N	07° 08' 00".00W	11-12 Meridian of Longitude
12.	55° 50' 00".00N	07° 08' 00".00W	12-13 Parallel of Latitude
13.	55° 50' 00".00N	07° 15' 00".00W	13-14 Meridian of Longitude
14.	55° 55' 00".00N	07° 15' 00".00W	14-15 Parallel of Latitude
15.	55° 55' 00".00N	07° 23' 00".00W	15-16 Meridian of Longitude
16.	56° 00' 00".00N	07° 23' 00".00W	16-17 Parallel of Latitude
17.	56° 00' 00".00N	08° 13' 00".00W	17-18 Meridian of Longitude

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18.	56° 05' 00".00N	08° 13' 00".00W	18-19	Parallel of Latitude
19.	56° 05' 00".00N	08° 39' 30".00W	19-20	Meridian of Longitude
20.	56° 10' 00".00N	08° 39' 30".00W	20-21	Parallel of Latitude
21.	56° 10' 00".00N	09° 07' 00".00W	21-22	Meridian of Longitude
22.	56° 21' 30".00N	09° 07' 00".00W	22-23	Parallel of Latitude
23.	56° 21' 30".00N	10° 30' 00".00W	23-24	Meridian of Longitude
24.	56° 32' 30".00N	10° 30' 00".00W	24-25	Parallel of Latitude
25.	56° 32' 30".00N	12° 12' 00".00W	25-26	Meridian of Longitude
26.	56° 42' 00".00N	12° 12' 00".00W	26-27	Parallel of Latitude
27.	56° 42' 00".00N	14° 00' 00".00W	27-28	Meridian of Longitude
28.	56° 49' 00".00N	14° 00' 00".00W	28-29	Parallel of Latitude
29.	56° 49' 00".00N	14° 30' 34".00W	29-30	Arcs measured 200 nautical miles from the relevant basepoints on St. Kilda from which the breadth of the territorial sea is measured
30.	57° 52' 22".00N	14° 53' 22".00W	30-31	
31.	58° 30' 00".00N	14° 48' 58".00W	31-32	
32.	59° 00' 00".00N	14° 35' 07".00W	32-33	
33.	59° 40' 54".00N	13° 58' 10".00W	33-34	
34.	59° 50' 00".00N	13° 46' 24".00W	34-35	Parallel of Latitude
35.	59° 50' 00".00N	05° 00' 00".00W	35-36	Meridian of Longitude
36.	60° 10' 00".00N	05° 00' 00".00W	36-37	Parallel of Latitude
37.	60° 10' 00".00N	04° 48' 00".00W	37-38	Meridian of Longitude
38.	60° 20' 00".00N	04° 48' 00".00W	38-39	Parallel of Latitude
39.	60° 20' 00".00N	04° 24' 00".00W	39-40	Meridian of Longitude

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40.	60° 30' 00".00N	04° 24' 00".00W	40-41	Parallel of Latitude
41.	60° 30' 00".00N	04° 00' 00".00W	41-42	Meridian of Longitude
42.	61° 00' 00".00N	04° 00' 00".00W	43-44	Parallel of Latitude
43.	61° 00' 00".00N	03° 36' 00".00W	42-43	Meridian of Longitude
44.	61° 30' 00".00N	03° 36' 00".00W	44-45	Parallel of Latitude
45.	61° 30' 00".00N	03° 00' 00".00W	45-46	Meridian of Longitude
46.	61° 45' 00".00N	03° 00' 00".00W	46-47	Parallel of Latitude
47.	61° 45' 00".00N	02° 48' 00".00W	47-48	Meridian of Longitude
48.	62° 00' 00".00N	02° 48' 00".00W	48-49	Parallel of Latitude
49.	62° 00' 00".00N	02° 00' 00".00W	49-50	Meridian of Longitude
50.	62° 30' 00".00N	02° 00' 00".00W	50-51	Parallel of Latitude
51.	62° 30' 00".00N	01° 36' 00".00W	51-52	Meridian of Longitude
52.	62° 40' 00".00N	01° 36' 00".00W	52-53	Parallel of Latitude
53.	62° 40' 00".00N	01° 00' 00".00W	53-54	Meridian of Longitude
54.	63° 20' 00".00N	01° 00' 00".00W	54-55	Parallel of Latitude
55.	63° 20' 00".00N	00° 30' 00".00W	55-56	Meridian of Longitude
56.	63° 38' 10".68N	00° 30' 00".00W	56-57	Parallel of Latitude
57.	63° 38' 10".68N	00° 10' 59".31W	57-58	Geodesic
58.	63° 03' 20".71N	00° 28' 12".51E	58-59	Geodesic
59.	62° 58' 21".06N	00° 33' 31".01E	59-60	Geodesic
60.	62° 53' 29".49N	00° 38' 27".91E	60-61	Geodesic
61.	62° 44' 16".31N	00° 47' 27".69E	61-62	Geodesic

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62.	62° 39' 57".99N	00° 51' 29".48E	62-63	Geodesic
63.	62° 36' 20".75N	00° 54' 44".78E	63-64	Geodesic
64.	62° 32' 47".29N	00° 57' 48".32E	64-65	Geodesic
65.	62° 30' 09".83N	01° 00' 05".92E	65-66	Geodesic
66.	62° 27' 32".82N	01° 02' 17".70E	66-67	Geodesic
67.	62° 24' 56".68N	01° 04' 25".86E	67-68	Geodesic
68.	62° 22' 21".00N	01° 06' 28".21E	68-69	Geodesic
69.	62° 19' 40".72N	01° 08' 30".96E	69-70	Geodesic
70.	62° 16' 43".93N	01° 10' 40".66E	70-71	Geodesic
71.	61° 44' 12".00N	01° 33' 13".44E	71-72	Geodesic
72.	61° 44' 12".00N	01° 33' 36".00E	72-73	Arc of Great Circle
73.	61° 21' 24".24N	01° 47' 24".00E	73-74	Arc of Great Circle
74.	59° 53' 48".00N	02° 04' 36".00E	74-75	Arc of Great Circle
75.	59° 17' 24".00N	01° 42' 42".00E	75-76	Arc of Great Circle
76.	58° 25' 48".00N	01° 29' 00".00E	76-77	Arc of Great Circle
77.	57° 54' 18".00N	01° 57' 54".00E	77-78	Arc of Great Circle
78.	56° 35' 42".00N	02° 36' 48".00E	78-79	Arc of Great Circle
79.	56° 05' 12".00N	03° 15' 00".00E	79-80	Arc of Great Circle
80.	55° 50' 06".00N	03° 24' 00".00E	80-81	Arc of Great Circle
81.	54° 37' 18".00N	02° 53' 54".00E	81-82	Arc of Great Circle
82.	54° 22' 48".00N	02° 45' 48".00E	82-83	Arc of Great Circle
83.	53° 57' 48".00N	02° 52' 00".00E	83-84	Arc of Great Circle
84.	53° 40' 06".00N	02° 57' 24".00E	84-85	Arc of Great Circle
85.	53° 35' 06".00N	02° 59' 18".00E	85-86	Arc of Great Circle

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86.	53° 28' 12".00N	03° 01' 00".00E	86-87	Arc of Great Circle
87.	53° 18' 06".00N	03° 03' 24".00E	87-88	Arc of Great Circle
88.	52° 53' 00".00N	03° 10' 30".00E	88-89	Arc of Great Circle
89.	52° 47' 00".00N	03° 12' 18".00E	89-90	Arc of Great Circle
90.	52° 37' 18".00N	03° 11' 00".00E	90-91	Arc of Great Circle
91.	52° 25' 00".00N	03° 03' 30".00E	91-92	Arc of Great Circle
92.	52° 17' 24".00N	02° 56' 00".00E	92-93	Arc of Great Circle
93.	52° 12' 24".00N	02° 50' 24".00E	93-94	Arc of Great Circle
94.	52° 06' 00".00N	02° 42' 54".00E	94-95	Arc of Great Circle
95.	52° 05' 18".00N	02° 42' 12".00E	95-96	Arc of Great Circle
96.	52° 01' 00".00N	02° 39' 30".00E	96-97	Arc of Great Circle
97.	51° 59' 00".00N	02° 37' 36".00E	97-98	Arc of Great Circle
98.	51° 48' 18".00N	02° 28' 54".00E	98-99	Loxodrome
99.	51° 36' 47".00N	02° 15' 12".00E	99-100	Loxodrome
100.	51° 33' 28".00N	02° 14' 48".00E	100-101	Loxodrome
101.	51° 30' 14".00N	02° 07' 18".00E	101-102	Loxodrome
102.	51° 20' 11".00N	02° 02' 18".00E	102-103	Loxodrome
103.	51° 19' 38".00N	02° 01' 48".00E	103-104	Loxodrome
104.	51° 14' 27".00N	01° 57' 18".00E		
	Thence a loxodrome south westwards to the outer limit of the territorial sea adjacent to Great Britain at:			
105.	51° 12' 00".72N	01° 53' 20".07E		
<b>SECOND AREA</b>				
106.	50° 49' 30".95N	01° 15' 53".43E	106-107	Loxodrome
107.	50° 47' 50".00N	01° 15' 28".00E	107-108	Loxodrome
108.	50° 38' 38".00N	01° 07' 26".00E	108-109	Loxodrome

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109.	50° 23' 22".00N	00° 46' 39".00E	109-110	Loxodrome
110.	50° 19' 41".00N	00° 36' 12".00E	110-111	Loxodrome
111.	50° 14' 12".00N	00° 02' 14".00E	111-112	Loxodrome
112.	50° 13' 13".00N	00° 15' 30".00W	112-113	Loxodrome
113.	50° 07' 29".00N	00° 30' 00".00W	113-114	Loxodrome
114.	50° 08' 27".00N	01° 00' 00".00W	114-115	Loxodrome
115.	50° 09' 15".00N	01° 30' 00".00W	115-116	Loxodrome
116.	50° 09' 14".00N	02° 03' 26".00W	116-117	Loxodrome
117.	49° 57' 50".00N	02° 48' 24".00W	117-118	Loxodrome
118.	49° 46' 30".00N	02° 56' 30".00W	118-119	Loxodrome
119.	49° 38' 30".00N	03° 21' 00".00W	119-120	Loxodrome
120.	49° 33' 12".00N	03° 34' 50".00W	120-121	Loxodrome
121.	49° 32' 42".00N	03° 42' 44".00W	121-122	Loxodrome
122.	49° 32' 08".00N	03° 55' 47".00W	122-123	Loxodrome
123.	49° 27' 40".00N	04° 17' 54".00W	123-124	Loxodrome
124.	49° 27' 23".00N	04° 21' 46".00W	124-125	Loxodrome
125.	49° 23' 14".00N	04° 32' 39".00W	125-126	Loxodrome
126.	49° 14' 28".00N	05° 11' 00".00W	126-127	Loxodrome
127.	49° 13' 22".00N	05° 18' 00".00W	127-128	Loxodrome
128.	49° 13' 00".00N	05° 20' 40".00W	128-129	Loxodrome
129.	49° 12' 10".00N	05° 40' 30".00W	129-130	Loxodrome
130.	49° 12' 00".00N	05° 41' 30".00W	130-131	Loxodrome
131.	48° 10' 00".00N	09° 22' 15".91W	131-132	Parallel of Latitude
132.	48° 10' 00".00N	10° 00' 00".00W	132-133	Meridian of Longitude
133.	48° 20'00 ".00N	10° 00' 00".00W	133-134	Parallel of Latitude
134.	48° 20' 00".00N	09° 48' 00".00W	134-135	Meridian of Longitude
135.	48° 30' 00".00N	09° 48' 00".00W	135-136	Parallel of Latitude
136.	48° 30' 00".00N	09° 36' 00".00W	136-137	Meridian of Longitude
137.	48° 50' 00".00N	09° 36' 00".00W	137-138	Parallel of Latitude

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138.	48° 50' 00".00N	09° 24' 00".00W	138-139	Meridian of Longitude
139.	49° 00' 00".00N	09° 24' 00".00W	139-140	Parallel of Latitude
140.	49° 00' 00".00N	09° 17' 00".00W	140-141	Meridian of Longitude
141.	49° 10' 00".00N	09° 17' 00".00W	141-142	Parallel of Latitude
142.	49° 10' 00".00N	09° 12' 00".00W	142-143	Meridian of Longitude
143.	49° 20' 00".00N	09° 12' 00".00W	143-144	Parallel of Latitude
144.	49° 20' 00".00N	09° 03' 00".00W	144-145	Meridian of Longitude
145.	49° 30' 00".00N	09° 03' 00".00W	145-146	Parallel of Latitude
146.	49° 30' 00".00N	08° 54' 00".00W	146-147	Meridian of Longitude
147.	49° 40' 00".00N	08° 54' 00".00W	147-148	Parallel of Latitude
148.	49° 40' 00".00N	08° 45' 00".00W	148-149	Meridian of Longitude
149.	49° 50' 00".00N	08° 45' 00".00W	149-150	Parallel of Latitude
150.	49° 50' 00".00N	08° 36' 00".00W	150-151	Meridian of Longitude
151.	50° 00' 00".00N	08° 36' 00".00W	151-152	Parallel of Latitude
152.	50° 00' 00".00N	08° 24' 00".00W	152-153	Meridian of Longitude
153.	50° 10' 00".00N	08° 24' 00".00W	153-154	Parallel of Latitude
154.	50° 10' 00".00N	08° 12' 00".00W	154-155	Meridian of Longitude
155.	50° 20' 00".00N	08° 12' 00".00W	155-156	Parallel of Latitude
156.	50° 20' 00".00N	08° 00' 00".00W	156-157	Meridian of Longitude
157.	50° 30' 00".00N	08° 00' 00".00W	157-158	Parallel of Latitude

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158.	50° 30' 00".00N	07° 36' 00".00W	158-159	Meridian of Longitude
159.	50° 40' 00".00N	07° 36' 00".00W	159-160	Parallel of Latitude
160.	50° 40' 00".00N	07° 12' 00".00W	160-161	Meridian of Longitude
161.	50° 50' 00".00N	07° 12' 00".00W	161-162	Parallel of Latitude
162.	50° 50' 00".00N	07° 03' 00".00W	162-163	Meridian of Longitude
163.	51° 00' 00".00N	07° 03' 00".00W	163-164	Parallel of Latitude
164.	51° 00' 00".00N	06° 48' 00".00W	164-165	Meridian of Longitude
165.	51° 10' 00".00N	06° 48' 00".00W	165-166	Parallel of Latitude
166.	51° 10' 00".00N	06° 42' 00".00W	166-167	Meridian of Longitude
167.	51° 20' 00".00N	06° 42' 00".00W	167-168	Parallel of Latitude
168.	51° 20' 00".00N	06° 33' 00".00W	168-169	Meridian of Longitude
169.	51° 30' 00".00N	06° 33' 00".00W	169-170	Parallel of Latitude
170.	51° 30' 00".00N	06° 18' 00".00W	170-171	Meridian of Longitude
171.	51° 40' 00".00N	06° 18' 00".00W	171-172	Parallel of Latitude
172.	51° 40' 00".00N	06° 06' 00".00W	172-173	Meridian of Longitude
173.	51° 50' 00".00N	06° 06' 00".00W	173-174	Parallel of Latitude
174.	51° 50' 00".00N	06° 00' 00".00W	174-175	Meridian of Longitude
175.	51° 54' 00".00N	06° 00' 00".00W	175-176	Parallel of Latitude
176.	51° 54' 00".00N	05° 57' 00".00W	176-177	Meridian of Longitude
177.	51° 58' 00".00N	05° 57' 00".00W	177-178	Parallel of Latitude

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178.	51° 58' 00".00N	05° 54' 00".00W	178-179	Meridian of Longitude
179.	52° 00' 00".00N	05° 54' 00".00W	179-180	Parallel of Latitude
180.	52° 00' 00".00N	05° 50' 00".00W	180-181	Meridian of Longitude
181.	52° 04' 00".00N	05° 50' 00".00W	181-182	Parallel of Latitude
182.	52° 04' 00".00N	05° 46' 00".00W	182-183	Meridian of Longitude
183.	52° 08' 00".00N	05° 46' 00".00W	183-184	Parallel of Latitude
184.	52° 08' 00".00N	05° 42' 00".00W	184-185	Meridian of Longitude
185.	52° 12' 00".00N	05° 42' 00".00W	185-186	Parallel of Latitude
186.	52° 12' 00".00N	05° 39' 00".00W	186-187	Meridian of Longitude
187.	52° 16' 00".00N	05° 39' 00".00W	187-188	Parallel of Latitude
188.	52° 16' 00".00N	05° 35' 00".00W	188-189	Meridian of Longitude
189.	52° 24' 00".00N	05° 35' 00".00W	189-190	Parallel of Latitude
190.	52° 24' 00".00N	05° 22' 48".00W	190-191	Meridian of Longitude
191.	52° 32' 00".00N	05° 22' 48".00W	191-192	Parallel of Latitude
192.	52° 32' 00".00N	05° 28' 00".00W	192-193	Meridian of Longitude
193.	52° 44' 00".00N	05° 28' 00".00W	193-194	Parallel of Latitude
194.	52° 44' 00".00N	05° 24' 30".00W	194-195	Meridian of Longitude
195.	52° 52' 00".00N	05° 24' 30".00W	195-196	Parallel of Latitude
196.	52° 52' 00".00N	05° 22' 30".00W	196-197	Meridian of Longitude
197.	52° 59' 00".00N	05° 22' 30".00W	197-198	Parallel of Latitude

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198.	52° 59' 00".00N	05° 19' 00".00W	198-199	Meridian of Longitude
199.	53° 09' 00".00N	05° 19' 00".00W	199-200	Parallel of Latitude
200.	53° 09' 00".00N	05° 20' 00".00W	200-201	Meridian of Longitude
201.	53° 26' 00".00N	05° 20' 00".00W	201-202	Parallel of Latitude
202.	53° 26' 00".00N	05° 19' 00".00W	202-203	Meridian of Longitude
203.	53° 32' 00".00N	05° 19' 00".00W	203-204	Parallel of Latitude
204.	53° 32' 00".00N	05° 17' 00".00W	204-205	Meridian of Longitude
205.	53° 39' 00".00N	05° 17' 00".00W	205-206	Parallel of Latitude
206.	53° 39' 00".00N	05° 16' 20".40W	206-207	Meridian of Longitude
207.	53° 42' 08".40N	05° 16' 20".40W	207-208	Parallel of Latitude
208.	53° 42' 08".40N	05° 17' 51".00W	208-209	Meridian of Longitude
209.	53° 44' 24".00N	05° 17' 51".00W	209-210	Parallel of Latitude
210.	53° 44' 24".00N	05° 19' 19".80W	210-211	Meridian of Longitude
211.	53° 45' 48".00N	05° 19' 19".80W	211-212	Parallel of Latitude
212.	53° 45' 48".00N	05° 22' 00".00W	212-213	Meridian of Longitude
213.	53° 46' 00".00N	05° 22' 00".00W	213-214	Parallel of Latitude
214.	53° 46' 00".00N	05° 19' 00".00W	214-215	Meridian of Longitude
215.	53° 59' 56".95N	05° 19' 00".00W		
	Thence westwards to the outer limit of the territorial sea adjacent to Northern Ireland at:			
216.	54° 00' 00".00N	05° 36' 20".00W		

2. The points in this Schedule are referred to the following geodetic datums:

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Point No. 1	to Point No. 34	World Geodetic System 1984 (hereinafter “WGS 84”).
Point No. 35	to Point No. 105	European Datum (First Adjustment 1950) (hereinafter “ED 50”).
Point No. 106	to Point No. 130	ED 50.
Point No. 131	to Point No. 142	WGS 84.
Point No. 143		ED 50.
Point No. 144	to Point No. 150	WGS 84.
Point No. 151	to Point No. 155	ED 50.
Point No. 156	to Point No. 157	WGS 84.
Point No. 158	to Point No. 161	ED 50.
Point No. 162	to Point No. 215	WGS 84.
Point No. 216		Ordnance Survey of Ireland Datum 1965 (OSI 65).

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations define the limits of the zone beyond the territorial sea around the United Kingdom and the Isle of Man in which jurisdiction is exercisable in order to prevent pollution by discharges from ships. The limits follow agreed maritime boundaries with Norway, Denmark, Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, France and the Republic of Ireland. To the west of Scotland, the limits are arcs of 200 n.m. measured from St. Kilda. Towards the Faroes, the limits coincide with the current outer limits of the the Designated Area of the UK continental shelf, pending the establishment of an agreed boundary with Denmark (Faroes).