STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2003 No. 229

## The Sea Fishing (Restriction on Days at Sea) Order 2003

## **Obstruction of officers**

18.—(1) Any person who—

- (a) fails without reasonable excuse to comply with any requirement imposed by a British seafishery officer under the powers conferred on British sea-fishery officers by articles 14 and 15 of this Order;
- (b) without reasonable excuse prevents, or attempts to prevent, any other person from complying with any such requirement; or
- (c) assaults an officer who is exercising any of the powers conferred on him by articles 14 to 16 of this Order or intentionally obstructs any such officer in the exercise of any of those powers,

is guilty of an offence.

- (2) A person guilty of an offence under paragraph (1) is liable—
  - (a) on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum; or
  - (b) on conviction on indictment to a fine.