

Regulation (EU) 2017/2403 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2017 on the sustainable management of external fishing fleets, and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1006/2008

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- (1) [OJ C 303, 19.8.2016, p. 116.](#)
- (2) Position of the European Parliament of 2 February 2017 (not yet published in the Official Journal) and position of the Council at first reading of 17 October 2017 ([OJ C 390, 17.11.2017, p. 1](#)) Position of the European Parliament of 26 October 2017 (not yet published in the Official Journal).
- (3) Council Regulation (EC) No 1006/2008 of 29 September 2008 concerning authorisations for fishing activities of Community fishing vessels outside Community waters and the access of third country vessels to Community waters, amending Regulations (EEC) No 2847/93 and (EC) No 1627/94 and repealing Regulation (EC) No 3317/94 ([OJ L 286, 29.10.2008, p. 33](#)).
- (4) Council Decision 98/392/EC of 23 March 1998 concerning the conclusion by the European Community of the United Nations Convention of 10 December 1982 on the Law of the Sea and the Agreement of 28 July 1994 relating the implementation of Part XI thereof ([OJ L 179, 23.6.1998, p. 1](#)).
- (5) Council Decision 98/414/EC of 8 June 1998 on the ratification by the European Community of the Agreement for the implementing of the provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the conservation and management of straddling stocks and highly migratory fish stocks ([OJ L 189, 3.7.1998, p. 14](#)).
- (6) Council Decision 96/428/EC of 25 June 1996 on acceptance by the Community of the Agreement to promote compliance with international conservation and management measures by fishing vessels on the high seas ([OJ L 177, 16.7.1996, p. 24](#)).
- (7) Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on the Common Fisheries Policy amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1954/2003 and (EC) No 1224/2009 and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 2371/2002 and (EC) No 639/2004 and Council Decision 2004/585/EC ([OJ L 354, 28.12.2013, p. 22](#)).
- (8) Council Regulation (EC) No 1005/2008 of 29 September 2008 establishing a Community system to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing, amending Regulations (EEC) No 2847/93, (EC) No 1936/2001 and (EC) No 601/2004 and repealing Regulations (EC) No 1093/94 and (EC) No 1447/1999 ([OJ L 286, 29.10.2008, p. 1](#)).
- (9) Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 of 20 November 2009 establishing a Union control system for ensuring compliance with the rules of the common fisheries policy, amending Regulations (EC) No 847/96, (EC) No 2371/2002, (EC) No 811/2004, (EC) No 768/2005, (EC) No 2115/2005, (EC) No 2166/2005, (EC) No 388/2006, (EC) No 509/2007, (EC) No 676/2007, (EC) No 1098/2007, (EC) No 1300/2008, (EC) No 1342/2008 and repealing Regulations (EEC) No 2847/93, (EC) No 1627/94 and (EC) No 1966/2006 ([OJ L 343, 22.12.2009, p. 1](#)).
- (10) Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2000 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data ([OJ L 8, 12.1.2001, p. 1](#)).
- (11) Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 1995 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data ([OJ L 281, 23.11.1995, p. 31](#)).
- (12) [OJ L 123, 12.5.2016, p. 1.](#)
- (13) Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 February 2011 laying down the rules and general principles concerning mechanisms for control by Member States of the Commission's exercise of implementing powers ([OJ L 55, 28.2.2011, p. 13](#)).
- (14) Regulation (EU) No 508/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 2328/2003, (EC) No 861/2006, (EC) No 1198/2006 and (EC) No 791/2007 and Regulation (EU) No 1255/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council ([OJ L 149, 20.5.2014, p. 1](#)).

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- Title 3 heading words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(35)
- Title 2 heading words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(5)
- Regulation revoked by 2020 c. 22 Sch. 11 para. 8
- Art. 1 words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(2)
- Art. 2 heading words omitted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(3)(a)
- Art. 4 words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(6)(a)
- Art. 4 words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(6)(b)
- Art. 5(1) words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(7)(a)(i)
- Art. 5(1) words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(7)(a)(ii)
- Art. 5(2) omitted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(7)(b)
- Art. 6(1) words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(8)(a)
- Art. 6(2) words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(8)(b)(i)
- Art. 6(3) words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(8)(c)(i)
- Art. 6(4) words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(8)(d)(i)
- Art. 6(5) words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(8)(e)
- Art. 7(1) words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(9)(a)
- Art. 7(2) words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(9)(b)
- Art. 7(3) words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(9)(c)
- Art. 7(4) words omitted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(9)(d)(ii)
- Art. 7(4) words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(9)(d)(i)
- Art. 7(4) words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(9)(d)(iii)
- Art. 7(5) omitted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(9)(e)
- Art. 7(6) omitted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(9)(e)
- Art. 7(7) omitted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(9)(e)
- Art. 8 words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(11)
- Art. 9 words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(12)
- Art. 10 heading words omitted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(13)(a)
- Art. 10 words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(13)(b)
- Art. 11 omitted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(14)
- Art. 12 omitted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(14)
- Art. 13 omitted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(14)
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- Art. 14(1) words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(15)(a)(ii)
- Art. 14(2) omitted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(15)(b)
- Art. 15 omitted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(16)
- Art. 16 words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(17)
- Art. 17 heading words omitted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(18)(a)
- Art. 17(1) words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(18)(b)
- Art. 17(2) words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(18)(c)
- Art. 17(3) words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(18)(d)
- Art. 18 omitted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(19)
- Art. 19 words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(21)(a)
- Art. 20(1) words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(22)(a)(i)
- Art. 20(2) words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(22)(b)
- Art. 21 words omitted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(23)(a)
- Art. 21 words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(23)(b)
- Art. 22 omitted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(24)
- Art. 23 words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(26)
- Art. 24 heading words omitted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(27)(a)
- Art. 24 words substituted by S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8(27)(b)

- Art. 25 omitted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(28)
- Art. 26 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(30)(a)
- Art. 26(4) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(30)(b)
- Art. 26(5) word omitted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(30)(c)(ii)
- Art. 26(5) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(30)(c)(i)
- Art. 26(5) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(30)(c)(iii)
- Art. 26(6) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(30)(d)(ii)
- Art. 26(6) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(30)(d)(i)
- Art. 27 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(31)
- Art. 28(1) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(32)(a)(ii)
- Art. 28(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(32)(a)(i)
- Art. 28(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(32)(b)(i)
- Art. 28(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(32)(b)(ii)
- Art. 28(3) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(32)(c)
- Art. 29 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(33)(a)
- Art. 29 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(33)(b)
- Art. 30(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(34)(a)(i)
- Art. 30(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(34)(a)(ii)
- Art. 30(2) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(34)(b)(ii)
- Art. 30(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(34)(b)(i)
- Art. 30(3) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(34)(c)
- Art. 31 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(36)
- Art. 32(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(37)(a)(i)
- Art. 32(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(37)(a)(ii)
- Art. 32(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(37)(b)(i)
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- Art. 32(3) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(37)(c)
- Art. 33(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(38)(a)
- Art. 33(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(38)(b)
- Art. 34(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(39)(a)
- Art. 34(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(39)(a)
- Art. 34(3) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(39)(b)
- Art. 34(3) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(39)(a)
- Art. 35(1) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(40)(a)(ii)
- Art. 35(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(40)(a)(i)
- Art. 35(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(40)(b)(i)
- Art. 35(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(40)(b)(ii)
- Art. 36(1) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(41)(a)(ii)
- Art. 36(1) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(41)(a)(iii)
- Art. 36(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(41)(a)(i)
- Art. 36(4) omitted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(41)(b)
- Art. 37 omitted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(42)
- Art. 38(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(43)(a)
- Art. 38(2) substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(43)(b)
- Art. 38(3) omitted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(43)(c)
- Art. 38(4) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(43)(d)(i)
- Art. 38(4) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(43)(d)(ii)
- Art. 38(5) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(43)(e)
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- Art. 47 omitted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(45)
- Art. 48 omitted by [S.I. 2019/739](#) reg. 8(45)

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- Title IIIa addition by [EUR 2019/498](#) Regulation
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- Ch. 2 heading words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(10\)](#)
- Ch. 3 heading words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(20\)](#)
- Ch. 4 heading words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(25\)](#)
- Ch. 5 heading words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(29\)](#)
- Art. 2(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 2(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 2(c) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 3(2)(b) substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(4\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 3(2)(b) words inserted in earlier amending provision [S.I. 2019/739, reg. 8\(4\)\(a\)](#) by [S.I. 2019/1312 reg. 8\(2\)\(b\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 3(2)(c) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 3(2)(d) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(4\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 3(2)(e) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(4\)\(d\)](#)
- Art. 3(2)(f) words inserted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(4\)\(e\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 3(2)(f) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(4\)\(e\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 3(2)(f) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(4\)\(e\)\(iii\)](#)
- Art. 5(1)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(7\)\(a\)\(iii\)](#)
- Art. 5(1)(c) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(7\)\(a\)\(iv\)](#)
- Art. 5(1)(d) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(7\)\(a\)\(v\)](#)
- Art. 5(1)(e) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(7\)\(a\)\(vi\)](#)
- Art. 6(2)(d) omitted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(8\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 6(3)(d) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(8\)\(c\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 6(4)(b) omitted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(8\)\(d\)\(ii\)](#)
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- Art. 20(1)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(22\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 20(1)(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(22\)\(a\)\(iii\)](#)
- Art. 21(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(23\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 24(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(27\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 33(1)(c) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(38\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 33(1)(d) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/739 reg. 8\(38\)\(d\)](#)
- Art. 38a Text replacement by [EUR 2019/1797 Regulation](#)
- Art. 38b replacement by [EUR 2019/1797 Regulation](#)
- Art. 38c para. 2 Point (f) replacement by [EUR 2019/1797 Regulation](#)