



# Fisheries Act 2020

## 2020 CHAPTER 22

### *Licensing of fishing boats*

#### **15 Power to grant licences in respect of British fishing boats**

- (1) A licence may be granted—
  - (a) in respect of a Scottish fishing boat, by the Scottish Ministers;
  - (b) in respect of a Welsh fishing boat, by the Welsh Ministers;
  - (c) in respect of a Northern Ireland fishing boat, by the Northern Ireland department;
  - (d) in respect of any other British fishing boat, by the Marine Management Organisation.
- (2) A licence granted under this section may be granted so as to confer limited authority by reference, in particular, to—
  - (a) the area in which fishing is authorised,
  - (b) the periods, times or particular voyages during which fishing is authorised,
  - (c) the descriptions and quantities of fish which may be caught, or
  - (d) the method of sea fishing.
- (3) A licence granted under this section—
  - (a) must name the fishing boat in respect of which it is granted, and
  - (b) is granted to the boat's owner or charterer.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Fisheries Act 2020, Section 15.