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## SEA FISHERIES

## BOATS AND METHODS OF FISHING

**The Fishing Nets (North-East Atlantic) (Variation) Order 1973**

<i>Made - - - -</i>	<i>20th December 1973</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>21st December 1973</i>
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	<i>11th January 1974</i>

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretaries of State respectively concerned with the sea fishing industry in Scotland and Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 3 and 20(1) of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967(a) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order:—

*Citation, commencement and interpretation*

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Fishing Nets (North-East Atlantic) (Variation) Order 1973 and shall come into operation on 11th January 1974.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

*Variation of principal order*

2. For Schedule 1 of the Fishing Nets (North-East Atlantic) Order 1971(c) (which prescribes minimum sizes of mesh for nets carried by registered British fishing boats in specified areas) there shall be substituted the following schedule:—

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(a) 1967 c. 84.

(c) S.I. 1971/1171 (1971 II, p. 3446).

(b) 1889 c. 63.

## Article 5(1)

## "SCHEDULE 1

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Waters	Net	Appropriate width of gauge
(a) Waters of the areas north of the area dividing line	(1) Seine net	110 millimetres
	(2) Such part of any trawl net as is made of cotton hemp, polyamide fibres or polyester fibres	120 millimetres
	(3) Such part of any trawl net as is made of any other material	130 millimetres
(b) Waters of the Faroes area	(1) Seine net	110 millimetres
	(2) Such part of any trawl net as is made of cotton hemp, polyamide fibres or polyester fibres	120 millimetres
	(3) Such part of any trawl net as is made of any other material	130 millimetres
(c) All other waters of the areas in relation to which this Order has application	(1) Seine net, or such part of any trawl net as is made of single twine and contains no manila or sisal	70 millimetres
	(2) Such part of any trawl net as is made of double twine and contains no manila or sisal	75 millimetres
	(3) Such part of any trawl net as is made of manila or sisal	80 millimetres"

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 18th December 1973.

(L.S.)

*Joseph Godber,*  
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

19th December 1973.

*Gordon Campbell,*  
Secretary of State for Scotland.

20th December 1973.

*Francis Pym,*  
Secretary of State for Northern Ireland.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order, which implements a recommendation of the North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission, varies Schedule 1 of the Fishing Nets (North-East Atlantic) Order 1971 which prescribes the minimum sizes of mesh for fishing nets carried by registered British fishing boats in areas specified in that Order. The minimum sizes of mesh applicable in the Faroes areas are now the same as those which apply in waters lying north of the area dividing line.



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