

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

**2009 No. 3344**

**The Eels (England and Wales) Regulations 2009**

**PART 3**

Eel Licences

**Close season**

**10.**—(1) Notwithstanding section 25 of the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Act 1975 <sup>M1</sup>, a person who fishes for eels by means other than rod and line during the close season commits an offence.

(2) But this regulation does not apply to a person to the extent that they are acting—

- (a) for some scientific or fisheries management purpose;
- (b) with the written authority of the Agency; and
- (c) in accordance with any conditions imposed by the Agency in relation to that authority.

(3) For the purposes of this regulation, the close season <sup>M2</sup> is—

- (a) for eels of 12 centimetres or less in length, the period beginning on 26th May 2010 and ending on 14th February 2011; and
- (b) for all other eels, the period beginning on 1st October 2010 and ending on 31st March 2011.

**Marginal Citations**

**M1** 1975 c. 51.

**M2** Subsequent close seasons will be set down in byelaws made under the Water Resources Act 1991.

**Reduction of fishing effort**

<sup>F1</sup>**11.** .....

**F1** Reg. 11 omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of [The Fisheries \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/746\)](#), regs. 1, **8(3)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Eels (England and Wales) Regulations 2009, PART 3.