

SL(5)456 – The Sea Fishing (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2019

Background and Purpose

These Regulations make amendments in relation to Wales to secondary legislation that relates to sea fisheries. The amendments update and replace references to Council Regulation (EC) No 850/98 for the conservation of fishery resources through technical measures with a reference to Regulation (EU) 2019/1241 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 June 2019 on the conservation of fisheries resources.

References in the following Orders are updated to ensure they are operable and enforceable:

1. The Prohibition of Fishing with Multiple Trawls (Wales) Order 2003;
2. The Scallop Fishing (Wales) (No.2) Order 2010; and
3. The Whelk Fishing (Wales) Order 2019.

Procedure

Negative.

Technical Scrutiny

No technical points are identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.2 in respect of this instrument.

Merits Scrutiny

No merits points are identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.3 in respect of this instrument.

Implications arising from exiting the European Union

The Orders listed above, which are being amended by this instrument, implement various EU obligations in respect of the conservation of fisheries resources. These Regulations will form part of retained EU law after exit day.

Government Response

A government response is not required.

Committee Consideration

The Committee considered the instrument at its meeting on 21 October 2019 and reports to the Assembly to highlight issues as a result of the UK exiting the EU.

