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FISHERIES

Mourne Coast (Restriction of Fishing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1976

Made . . . . . *27th September* 1976

Coming into operation . . . *4th October* 1976

The Department(a) of Agriculture, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 124 of the Fisheries Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(b) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Mourne Coast (Restrictions of Fishing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1976 and shall come into operation on 4th October 1976.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations—

"exclusive fishery limits of the British Islands" has the same meaning as that expression is given in section 1(1)(*a*) of the Fishery Limits Act 1964(c);

"fishery limits of the British Islands" has the same meaning as that expression is given in section 1(1) of the Fishery Limits Act 1964;

"herring" means fish of the species *Clupea harengus;*

"registered length" in relation to a vessel means the length in relation to which its tonnage is calculated for the purposes of registration under the Merchant Shipping Act 1894(d).

Restriction of fishing

3. Between 4th October 1976 and 17th October 1976, both dates inclusive, no fishing boat of 35 feet or greater registered length shall be used for the purpose of catching herring in the area of sea described in Schedule 1.

4. Between 4th October 1976 and 17th October 1976, both dates inclusive, no fishing boat of 35 feet or greater registered length shall be used for the purpose of catching any species of fish whatsoever in the area of sea described in Schedule 2, and such fishing boats while within this area shall keep their trawl doors unshackled and lashed, their trawl warps unshackled and their nets stowed and lashed.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland on 27th September 1976.

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Assistant Secretary

(a) Formerly Ministry: *see* 1973 c. 36 s. 40 and Sch. 5 para. 8(1)
(b) 1966 c. 17 (N.I.)
(c) 1964 c. 72
(d) 1894 c. 60