

## Department of Agriculture Fisheries and Food

An Roinn Talmhaíochta, Iascaigh agus Bia

### Fisheries Management Notice No. 032 of 2009

(Crab Fisheries Management and Conservation Notice)

I, Tony Killeen, Minister of State at the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 12 of the Sea-Fisheries and Maritime Jurisdiction Act 2006 (No. 8 of 2006) and the Sea Fisheries, Foreshore and Dumping at Sea (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2007 (S.I. No. 707 of 2007) (as adapted by the Agriculture and Food (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2007 (S.I. No. 705 of 2007), and the Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (Delegation of Ministerial Functions) Order 2009, (S.I. No 189 of 2009), hereby issue the following Notice:

1. This Notice may be cited as Fisheries Management Notice No.032 of 2009.
2. This Notice comes into force at 00:01 hours on 17 November 2009.
3. In this notice –
  - “edible crab” means *Cancer pagurus*;
  - “spider crab” means *Maja squinado*;
  - “ICES” means the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea;
  - “Irish sea-fishing boat over 10 metres” means a boat equal to or greater than 10 metres in length overall and entered in the Register of Fishing Boats;
  - “master” in relation to a sea-fishing boat, means the master, skipper or other person for the time being in charge of the boat;
  - “Register of Fishing Boats” means the Register of Fishing Boats established and maintained pursuant to the Merchant Shipping Act 1894 (as adapted and amended by any subsequent enactments);
  - “biologically sensitive area” means waters falling within the area enclosed by the coast of Ireland to the south of 53°30’N and to the west of 07°00’W and straight lines sequentially joining the following geographical coordinates:
    - a point on the coast of Ireland at latitude 53°30’N
    - latitude 53°30’N, longitude 12°00’W
    - latitude 53°00’N, longitude 12°00’W
    - latitude 51°00’N, longitude 11°00’W
    - latitude 49°30’N, longitude 11°00’W
    - latitude 49°30’N, longitude 07°00’W
    - a point on the coast of Ireland at longitude 07°00’W
4. The master of an Irish sea-fishing boat over 10 metres shall not engage in or cause or permit any person on board to engage in fishing for edible crab or spider crab in the biologically sensitive area.

5. (1) An Irish sea-fishing boat over 10 metres shall not have edible crab or spider crab on board within the biologically sensitive area.
- (2) The master of an Irish sea-fishing boat over 10 metres shall not cause or permit the boat or any person on board to have edible crab or spider crab on board within the biologically sensitive area.
6. The master of an Irish sea-fishing boat over 10 metres shall not cause or permit the boat to be used within the biologically sensitive area for the transshipment of edible crab or spider crab.
7. Fisheries Management Notice No.003 of 2009 is revoked.

GIVEN under my Hand,

16 November 2009, at 12.30 hours

**Tony Killeen**

Minister of State at the Department of  
Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation)

The effect of this notice is to prohibit fishing for, transshipment or having on board edible crab or spider crab by Irish sea-fishing boats over 10 metres in the Biologically Sensitive Area with effect from 17 November 2009

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