

Fisheries Information Notice 6-2013

Boar fish



The Sea Fisheries Protection Authority has issued Fisheries Information Notice 6-2013 entitled “Boar fish” including details of close periods.

LEGISLATION

References: EC Reg. 850/98 Technical measures for the protection of juvenile marine organisms.
EC 579-2011 Amending EC 850 of 98
SI 197 of 2013 Sea Fisheries technical conservation measures
Determination 21

Fishing quotas for Boarfish (Caproidae) were established for the first time under Council Regulation (EU) No 57/2011 TAC Reg.

Boarfish may be targeted using towed nets with a mesh size range of 32 to 54 millimetres.

The minimum percentage of target species of 90%.

Requirement for an Authorisation

Determination No.21 of 20th June 2013 establishes the requirements for an Authorisation for vessels engaged in the fishery. Authorisation to be issued to the participating vessels will reflect the periods when the fishery is **open**, that is to say - 1 January - 15 March and from 1 September - 31 October

However, by way of derogation:

Determination No 21 increases the quantity of boar fish a boat, 18m or greater, or a person on board that boat, may without a Boarfish authorisation, land in any calendar year from 1 January - 15 March and from 1 September - 31 October a quantity of Boarfish that does not exceed **450** tonnes.

A boat, or a person on board that boat, may, without a Boarfish authorisation, retain on board or land on any occasion a quantity of Boarfish that does not exceed 5% by live weight of the total quantity of all other species retained on board or landed on that occasion.

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