

Landing Obligation (LO): Shark, skate and ray exemptions¹

All quota species must be landed and counted against quota unless exemptions apply.¹

Prohibited Species: Sharks, Skates and Rays



- ▶ Prohibited species of any size or quantity are not subject to the LO.²
- ▶ Prohibited species must be handled with care and promptly released unharmed.³
- ▶ Estimated discards shall be recorded in the vessel logbook.⁴

Exemptions: Skates & Rays

- ▶ All skates and rays have a high survivability exemption from the LO.²
- ▶ Any skate and ray discards shall be handled with care and promptly released unharmed.³
- ▶ Estimated discards shall be recorded in the vessel logbook.⁴

Responsible Handling

- ▶ Improves survival rates of specimens returned alive at sea.
- ▶ Contributes towards stock recovery.

¹ Includes all UK registered vessels during Transition Period ending 31st December 2020.

² Regulation (EU) No. 1380/2013.

³ Council Regulation (EU) No. 2020/123.

⁴ Regulation (EU) No. 2015/812

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