



# Sea Fish Industry Act 1970

## 1970 CHAPTER 11

An Act to consolidate certain enactments relating to the sea fishing industry and to repeal certain obsolete enactments relating to herring. [12th March 1970]

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 Act extended by [S.I. 1972/971, art. 4, Sch. 1 Pt. A](#)  
Act: power to transfer functions conferred (1.7.1999) by [S.I. 1999/672, art. 2, Sch. 1](#)
- C2 Act repealed (except sections 14, 42 and 62) by [Fisheries Act 1981 \(c. 29, SIF 52:1\), s. 46, Sch. 5 Pt. I](#)

## PART I

### WHITE FISH INDUSTRY

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C3 Certain functions of Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food under Part I (except s. 24(4) now exercisable (W.) by Secretary of State: [S.I. 1978/272, art. 2\(1\), Sch. 1](#)
- C4 Joint functions of Ministers under Part I now exercisable by Ministers and Secretary of State for Wales jointly: [S.I. 1978/272, art. 2\(3\), Sch. 1](#)

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### Textual Amendments

- F1 Act repealed (except sections 14, 42 and 62) by [Fisheries Act 1981 \(c. 29, SIF 52:1\), s. 46, Sch. 5 Pt. I](#)

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*Inquiries, information, notices, etc.*

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**Textual Amendments**

**F2** Act repealed (except sections 14, 42 and 62) by [Fisheries Act 1981 \(c. 29, SIF 52:1\)](#), s. 46, [Sch. 5 Pt. I](#)

**14 Restrictions on disclosure of information.**

- (1) Subject to subsection (2) below, no information with respect to any particular undertaking which has been obtained under or by virtue of this Part of this Act shall, without the consent of the person carrying on that undertaking, be disclosed otherwise than in connection with the execution of this Part of this Act or the execution of any scheme or of any regulations under this Part of this Act.
- (2) Nothing in subsection (1) above shall apply to any disclosure of information made by the Authority to the Ministers <sup>F3</sup>[, to the Scottish Ministers] or to the Secretary of State concerned with the sea fishing industry in Wales or to any of them or to any disclosure of information made for the purposes of any proceedings pursuant to this Part of this Act (including arbitrations), or any criminal proceedings, or for the purposes of any report of such proceedings as aforesaid.
- (3) If any person discloses any information in contravention of this section, he shall be liable on summary conviction to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or to a fine not exceeding £50 or to both, or on conviction on indictment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or to a fine not exceeding £100 or to both.

**Textual Amendments**

**F3** Words in [s. 14\(2\)](#) inserted (1.7.1999) by [S.I. 1999/1820](#), [art. 4](#), Sch. 2 Pt. 1 para. 49(2)

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C5** [S. 14\(1\)](#) restricted (28.3.2002) by [S.I. 2002/790](#), [art. 7\(2\)](#)

**C6** [S. 14\(2\)](#): disclosure powers extended (14.12.2001) by [2001 c. 24](#), ss. 17, 127(2), [Sch. 4 Pt. I para. 6](#)

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**Textual Amendments**

**F4** Act repealed (except sections 14, 42 and 62) by [Fisheries Act 1981 \(c. 29, SIF 52:1\)](#), s. 46, [Sch. 5 Pt. I](#)

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## PART II

### HERRING INDUSTRY

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C7 Functions of Ministers under Part II now exercisable by Ministers and Secretary of State for Wales jointly: [S.I. 1978/272](#), [art. 2\(3\)](#), [Sch. 1](#)

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#### Textual Amendments

- F5 Act repealed (except sections 14, 42 and 62) by [Fisheries Act 1981 \(c. 29, SIF 52:1\)](#), s. 46, [Sch. 5 Pt. I](#)

#### *Legal proceedings and offences*

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#### Textual Amendments

- F6 Act repealed (except sections 14, 42 and 62) by [Fisheries Act 1981 \(c. 29, SIF 52:1\)](#), s. 46, [Sch. 5 Pt. I](#)

#### 42 Publication or disclosure of information.

Any person who publishes or discloses any information obtained by him in the exercise of any power conferred by or under this Part of this Act, otherwise than for the purpose of the proper discharge of a duty in that behalf or to the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food <sup>F7</sup>[, the Scottish Ministers] or the Secretary of State, shall be liable—

- (a) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or a fine not exceeding £100, or to both;
- (b) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or to a fine not exceeding £50 or to both.

#### Textual Amendments

- F7 Words in s. 42 inserted (1.7.1999) by [S.I. 1999/1820](#), [art. 4](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1 para. 49\(3\)](#)

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C8 [S. 42](#) restricted (28.3.2002) by [S.I. 2002/790](#), [art. 7\(2\)](#)

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**Textual Amendments**

**F8** Act repealed (except sections 14, 42 and 62) by [Fisheries Act 1981 \(c. 29, SIF 52:1\)](#), s. 46, [Sch. 5 Pt. I](#)

**PART III**

GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES

**44–54** ..... **F9**

**Textual Amendments**

**F9** Act repealed (except sections 14, 42 and 62) by [Fisheries Act 1981 \(c. 29, SIF 52:1\)](#), s. 46, [Sch. 5 Pt. I](#)

**PART IV**

GENERAL

**55–61** ..... **F10**

**Textual Amendments**

**F10** Act repealed (except sections 14, 42 and 62) by [Fisheries Act 1981 \(c. 29, SIF 52:1\)](#), s. 46, [Sch. 5 Pt. I](#)

**62 Citation and commencement.**

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Sea Fish Industry Act 1970.
- (2) This Act shall, subject to subsection (3) below, come into force on the expiration of a period of two months beginning with the date on which it is passed.
- (3) The repeals by this Act of paragraph (b) and in paragraph (c) of the definition of “the Ministers” in section 33(2) of the <sup>M1</sup>Sea Fish Industry Act 1962 shall come into force upon the day appointed for the repeal of section 18 of that Act under section 23(2) of the <sup>M2</sup>Sea Fisheries Act 1968.

**Marginal Citations**

**M1** 1962 c. 31.  
**M2** 1968 c. 77.

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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULES 1–6.

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#### **Textual Amendments**

**F11** Act repealed (except sections 14, 42 and 62) by [Fisheries Act 1981 \(c. 29, SIF 52:1\)](#), s. 46, **Sch. 5 Pt. I**

**Changes to legislation:**

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