

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order revokes the Crab Claws (Prohibition of Landing) Order 1986 (“the 1986 Order”) (article 2). The 1986 Order prohibited the landing of crab claws in the United Kingdom if they have been detached from edible crab claws (*Cancer pagurus*) caught within British fishery limits.

Provisions relating to the retention on board and the landing of edible crabs and detached claws can now be found in Article 18.4 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 850/98 (O.J. No. L125, 27.04.98, p.1), laying down certain technical measures for the conservation of fishery resources. These are implemented by the Sea Fishing (Enforcement of Community Conservation Measures) (Scotland) Order 2000 (S.S.I. 2000/53).