
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2018 No. 437

**The Sea Fish (Marketing Standards) (England and
Wales and Northern Ireland) Regulations 2018**

Warrants

6.—(1) A justice of the peace may, by signed warrant, permit an authorised officer to enter premises if the justice, on sworn information in writing or, in Northern Ireland, on a sworn complaint in writing, is satisfied—

- (a) that there are reasonable grounds to enter those premises for the purpose of enforcing a relevant provision; and
- (b) that any of the conditions in paragraph (2) are met.

(2) The conditions are—

- (a) entry to the premises has been, or is likely to be refused, and notice of the intention to apply for a warrant has been served on the occupier a reasonable period in advance of the application;
- (b) asking for admission to the premises, or serving such notice, would defeat the object of the entry;
- (c) entry is required urgently; or
- (d) the premises are unoccupied or the occupier is temporarily absent.

(3) A warrant may permit an authorised officer to enter by reasonable force if necessary, except in the case of any premises used wholly or mainly as a private dwelling house.

(4) A warrant is valid for three months.

(5) In this regulation, “justice of the peace” in Northern Ireland means a lay magistrate.

Commencement Information

II Reg. 6 in force at 30.4.2018, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Sea Fish (Marketing Standards) (England and Wales and Northern Ireland) Regulations 2018, Section 6.