



## Minimum Conservation Reference Sizes

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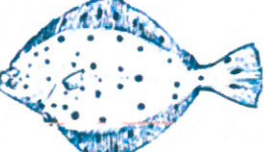





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and information.

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	Name of fish	Minimum Legal Size
Bass		42cm
Cod		35cm
Herring		20cm
Horse Mackerel		15cm
Mackerel (North Sea)		30cm
Megrim		20cm
Plaice		27cm
Pollack		30cm
Saithe		35cm
Sardine		11cm
Sole		24cm
Whiting		27cm

## Measurement of a fish

The size of any fish shall be measured, as shown below in Figure 1, from the tip of the snout to the end of the tail fin.

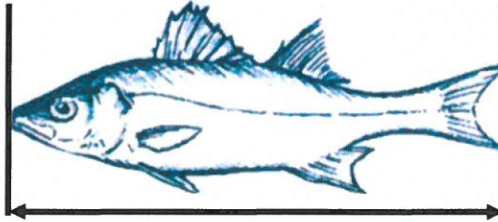


Figure 1

## Undersize fish

A marine organism is undersize if its dimensions are smaller than the minimum dimensions specified.

Undersize marine organisms shall not be retained onboard or be transported, landed, sold, displayed or offered for sale, but shall be returned immediately to the sea.

## Bass measures:

Bass measures are currently in place. Please check EIFCA website for up to date information.

## Shellfish measures:

Please contact EIFCA for details around minimum legal sizes for shellfish.

## Byelaw 14

Prohibition on the removal of Tope or part(s) thereof:

“No person shall remove from a fishery any tope of the species (*Galeorhinus galeus*) or part(s) thereof which is detached from the body.

Any tope, if caught, shall be returned immediately to the sea in a position as near to that part of the sea from which it was taken.”

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Every effort has been taken to provide accurate information to the reader. It should be noted that the only authoritative source is contained in the Official Journal of the European Communities for EC legislation and by HM Stationary Office for UK Legislation. Copies of Eastern Inshore Fisheries & Conservation Authority's Byelaws and the Wash Fishery Order are available from the King's Lynn office.

In the event of uncertainty, fishers are asked to contact either the EIFCA office or their local MMO Office. Please note that any guidance given cannot be taken as legal advice.