





# Commercial Bass Measures in January 2024 and from 1 April - 31 December 2024

	Demersal Trawls and Seines	Hooks and Lines	Fixed Gillnets	All other gear types (including drift nets)
 <b>Fishery Restrictions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Closed February and March 2024 (fishing is prohibited)</li> <li>The landing obligation does not apply to sea bass. Therefore any catches with unauthorised gears and catches with authorised gears over the authorized limit must be discarded.</li> </ul>			 <p><b>ALL BASS CATCHES PROHIBITED</b></p>
	Landings by vessels using ring nets are prohibited		No bass can be taken by shore-based fixed gillnets	
		A UK fishing vessel may only carry one authorised fishing gear on a fishing trip when retaining bass on board.		
		6.2 tonnes per year	By-catch of 1.6 tonnes/year	
		Catch limits are not transferable between vessels		
 <b>Maximum Catch Limits</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maximum 5% by weight of all marine organisms per trip</li> <li>Unavoidable by-catch of 3.8 tonnes (3800kg) per vessel per year</li> </ul>			
 <b>Authorisation Needed</b>	NO	YES	YES	