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COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) 2025/2264

of 1 September 2025

amending Regulation (EU) 2024/2594 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards technical and control measures applicable in the area covered by the Convention on future multilateral cooperation in the North-East Atlantic fisheries, and repealing Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 32/2012

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2024/2594 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 September 2024 laying down conservation, management and control measures applicable in the area covered by the Convention on future multilateral cooperation in the North-East Atlantic fisheries, amending Regulation (EU) 2019/1241 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009, and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1236/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Regulations (EEC) No 1899/85 and (EEC) No 1638/87 ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 54(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Union is a Contracting Party to the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the North-East Atlantic fisheries ('NEAFC'), approved by Council Decision 81/608/EEC ⁽²⁾.
- (2) Regulation (EU) 2024/2594 implements into Union law the NEAFC conservation, management and control measures adopted until 2023.
- (3) At its annual meeting in November 2024, the NEAFC adopted recommendations for the conservation, management and control of shallow pelagic and deep pelagic beaked redfish stocks in Irminger Sea and adjacent waters, pelagic beaked redfish in subareas 1 and 2 of the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES), and changes regarding the procedures for the notification of fishing vessels and officials with access to fisheries data for monitoring, control and surveillance. These recommendations should be implemented into Union law.
- (4) Regulation (EU) 2024/2594 repealed Regulation (EU) No 1236/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽³⁾. Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 32/2012 ⁽⁴⁾ is now obsolete and should be repealed,

⁽¹⁾ OJ L, 2024/2594, 8.10.2024, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2594/oj>.

⁽²⁾ Council Decision of 13 July 1981 concerning the conclusion of the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the North-East Atlantic Fisheries (81/608/EEC) (OJ L 227, 12.8.1981, p. 21, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/1981/608/oj>).

⁽³⁾ Regulation (EU) No 1236/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 December 2010 laying down a scheme of control and enforcement applicable in the area covered by the Convention on future multilateral cooperation in the North-East Atlantic fisheries and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 2791/1999 (OJ L 348, 31.12.2010, p. 17, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2010/1236/oj>).

⁽⁴⁾ Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 32/2012 of 14 November 2011 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 1236/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down a scheme of control and enforcement applicable in the area covered by the Convention on future multilateral cooperation in the North-East Atlantic fisheries (OJ L 13, 17.1.2012, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_del/2012/32/oj).

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EU) 2024/2594 is amended as follows:

(1) in Article 8, paragraph 1 is replaced by the following:

‘1. Member States shall send by electronic means to the Commission the information of all fishing vessels flying their flag and registered in the Union which they intend to authorise to conduct fishing activities in the Regulatory Area, including any vessel that conducts or plans to conduct refuelling or re-supplying to fishing vessels. That information shall be sent by 15 December each year for the following year or in any event before engaging in fishing activities in the Regulatory Area.’;

(2) in Article 30, paragraph 3 is replaced by the following:

‘3. By 1 December each year, Member States shall notify EFCA of the following information:

- (a) the names and details of the NEAFC port inspectors authorised to carry out inspections under the scope of Chapter V of the NEAFC Scheme in accordance with the format of Annex XIV;
- (b) the names and details of the officials authorising landings, transshipments and the use of other port services; and
- (c) the names and details of any other officials to be provided with access to the NEAFC websites and applications for monitoring, control and surveillance.’;

(3) Annexes IV and V are amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

Delegated Regulation (EU) No 32/2012 is repealed.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 1 September 2025.

For the Commission
The President
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

ANNEX

Amendments of Annexes IV and V to Regulation (EU) 2024/2594

A. Annex IV is amended as follows:

(1) point 3.1 is replaced by the following:

‘3.1. Baseline mesh sizes for towed gear

The following codend mesh sizes and associated conditions apply in the Regulatory Area:

Codend mesh size	Geographical areas	Conditions
At least 100 mm	Whole area	None
At least 100 mm	ICES subareas 1 and 2	Directed fishing for pelagic redfish (<i>Sebastes mentella</i>)
At least 35 mm	Whole area	Directed fishing for blue whiting
At least 32 mm	ICES subareas 1 and 2	Directed fishing for Northern prawn (<i>Pandalus borealis</i>) A sorting grid with a maximum bar spacing of 22 mm shall be fitted
At least 16 mm	Whole area	Directed fishing for mackerel, capelin ⁽¹⁾ and argentinies

(¹) A vessel shall be deemed to be fishing for capelin if it has capelin on board which exceeds 50 % by weight of the total amount of capelin and other species on board.’

(2) point 4 is replaced by the following:

‘4. **Measures to ensure the sustainability of redfish in the Irminger Sea and adjacent waters**

4.1. All fishing activities shall be prohibited in the area bounded by the following coordinates measured according to the WGS84 system:

Latitude	Longitude
63°00’N	30°00’W
61°30’N	27°35’W
60°45’N	28°45’W
62°00’N	31°35’W
63°00’N	30°00’W

4.2. Fishing vessels shall be prohibited from fishing, retaining on board, transshipping or landing in Union ports shallow pelagic and deep pelagic beaked redfish (*Sebastes mentella*) from the Irminger Sea and adjacent waters (ICES subareas 5, 12 and 14, and NAFO subareas 1 and 2). That prohibition shall apply to Union fishing vessels also in third-country ports.

4.3. Union fishing vessels shall be prohibited from participating in transshipment operations involving the stocks referred to in paragraph 4.2.

4.4. Union vessels shall be prohibited from refuelling or providing support services to any fishing vessels with catches of the stocks referred to in paragraph 4.2.

- 4.5. Fishing vessels having carried out directed fisheries for the stocks referred to in paragraph 4(2) after 5 March 2025 shall not be authorised to land, tranship or make use of any other port services in Union ports.
- 4.6. Fishing vessels having carried out directed fisheries for the stocks referred to in paragraph 4(2) after 5 March 2025 shall not be authorised for any fishing activities in Union waters.
- 4.7. Union fishing vessels shall be prohibited from participating in transshipment operations involving vessels having carried out directed fisheries of the stocks referred to in paragraph 4(2) after 5 March 2025.
- 4.8. Union vessels shall be prohibited from refuelling or providing support services to any fishing vessels having carried out directed fisheries for the stocks referred to in paragraph 4(2) after 5 March 2025.
- 4.9. The measures referred to in paragraphs 4.1 to 4.8 shall apply until 31 December 2027.;
- (3) point 6 is replaced by the following:

‘6. Measures for the redfish fishery in international waters of ICES subareas 1 and 2

- 6.1. Flag Member States shall ensure that scientific information is collected by scientific observers on board vessels flying their flag. As a minimum, the information collected shall include representative data on sex, age and length composition by depths. This information shall be reported to ICES by the competent authorities in the Member States.
- 6.2. Masters of Union fishing vessels use the following conversion factors to establish the live-weight equivalent of redfish product weight:
- (i) 2,03 for the product gutted and headed (Japanese cut),
 - (ii) 1,50 for the product gutted and headed (round cut), and
 - (iii) 1,08 for the product gutted head on.;

B. Annex V is amended as follows:

- (1) point 1 is replaced by the following:

‘1. Notification message

Data element	Mandatory/Optional	Remarks
Vessel name	M	Name of the vessel
Radio call sign	M	International radio call sign of the vessel
Flag State	M	State where the vessel is registered
Vessel IMO number	M ⁽³⁾	IMO/UIV number of the vessel
Internal reference number	O ⁽¹⁾	Unique Contracting Party vessel number as flag State 3-alpha country code followed by number
External registration number	M	The side number of the vessel
Port name	O	Port of registration
Vessel owner	M ⁽²⁾	Responsible for using the vessel
Vessel charterer	M ⁽²⁾	Responsible for using the vessel
Vessel type	M ⁽³⁾	FAO vessel type code

Data element	Mandatory/Optional	Remarks
Vessel gear	O	FAO statistical classification of fishing gear
Vessel capacity in GT	M	Vessel capacity in accordance with the London convention ICTM-69
Vessel length overall	M	Length overall in metres
Vessel power	M	Engine power in kilowatts
Limited authorisation	O	Licence detail; authorisation subject to specific restrictions on operation in the Regulatory Area, "Y" or "N"

(2) the footnotes are replaced by the following:

- (¹) CFR number
- (²) Whichever one is appropriate
- (³) Mandatory for vessels subject to IMO Resolution A.1078 (28)
- (⁴) Whichever one is appropriate
- (⁵) For vessels refuelling or re-supplying fishing vessels, vessel type is mandatory and the code 'FX' shall be used.'