

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1799/2006**  
**of 6 December 2006**  
**amending Regulation (EC) No 26/2004 on the Community fishing fleet register**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 of 20 December 2002 on the conservation and sustainable exploitation of fisheries resources under the Common Fisheries Policy <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 15(3) and (4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 26/2004 of 30 December 2003 on the Community fishing fleet register <sup>(2)</sup> fixes, *inter alia*, the dates of fleet census, the codes for fishing gear and the codes for public aid.
- (2) It is necessary to fix the dates of the census for the new Member States that will accede to the European Union so they can comply with the provisions of Regulation (EC) No 26/2004.
- (3) In order to better identify those vessels that carry out artisanal or small-scale fishing activities, it is necessary to introduce a more precise distinction among fishing gears.

(4) In order to monitor the application of Article 25(3) and (4) of Council Regulation (EC) No 1198/2006 of 27 July 2006 on the European Fisheries Fund <sup>(3)</sup> it is necessary to introduce new codes for communicating the replacement of engines with public aid.

(5) Regulation (EC) No 26/2004 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(6) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee for Fisheries and Aquaculture,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 26/2004 is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on the seventh day following 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, 6 December 2006.

*For the Commission*

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 358, 31.12.2002, p. 59.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 5, 9.1.2004, p. 25.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 223, 15.8.2006, p. 1.

## ANNEX

Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 26/2004 is amended as follows:

1. Table 2 is replaced by the following:

Table 2  
Date of census fixed by country

BEL, DNK, FRA, GBR, PRT	1.1.1989
NLD	1.9.1989
DEU, ESP	1.1.1990
IRL	1.10.1990
ITA	1.1.1991
GRC	1.7.1991
SWE, FIN	1.1.1995
CYP, EST, LTU, LVA, MLT, POL, SVN	1.5.2004
Member States acceding after 1 May 2004	Accession date'

2. Table 3 is replaced by the following:

Table 3  
Code for fishing gear

Gear category	Gear	Code	Static (S) or towed (T) or mobile gear (M)	Pelagic (P) or demersal (D)
Surrounding nets	Purse seines	PS	M	P
	Lampara nets	LA	M	P
Seines	Beach seines	SB	T	D/P
	Danish seines	SDN	T	D/P
	Scottish seines	SSC	T	D/P
	Pair seines	SPR	T	D/P
Trawls	Beam trawl	TBB	T	D
	Bottom otter trawl	OTB	T	D
	Bottom pair trawls	PTB	T	D
	Midwater otter trawls	OTM	T	D/P
	Pelagic pair trawls	PTM	T	D/P
	Otter twin trawls	OTT	T	D/P
Dredges	Boat dredges	DRB	T	D
	Hand dredges used on board a vessel	DRH	T	D
	Mechanised dredges including suction dredges	HMD	T	D
Lift nets	Boat-operated lift nets	LNB	M	P
	Shore-operated stationary lift nets	LNS	M	P

Gear category	Gear	Code	Static (S) or towed (T) or mobile gear (M)	Pelagic (P) or demersal (D)
Gill nets and entangling nets	Set (anchored) gill nets	GNS	S	D
	Driftnet	GND	S	D/P
	Encircling gill nets	GNC	S	D/P
	Trammel nets	GTR	S	D/P
	Combined trammel and gill nets	GTN	S	D/P
Traps	Pots (traps)	FPO	S	D
Hooks and lines	Hand lines and pole lines (hand operated)	LHP	S	D/P
	Hand lines and pole lines (mechanised)	LHM	S	D/P
	Set longlines	LLS	S	D
	Longlines (drifting)	LLD	S	P
	Troll lines	LTL	M	P
Gear unknown <sup>(1)</sup>		NK		
No gear <sup>(2)</sup>		NO		

<sup>(1)</sup> Not valid for vessels in fleet or reported from 1 January 2003.

<sup>(2)</sup> Valid only for subsidiary fishing gear.

3. Table 7 is replaced by the following:

Table 7  
Codes for public aid

Aid not part-financed by the Community	AE
Aid part-financed by the Community	AC
No public aid	PA
Aid for the replacement of engine conditional to power reduction (individual option)	EI
Aid for the replacement of engine conditional to power reduction (group option)	EG