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**REGULATION (EEC) No 2709/72 OF THE COUNCIL
of 19 December 1972**

**fixing the guide prices for the fishery products listed in Annex I (A) and (C) of
Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70 for the fishing year 1973**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70¹ of 20 October 1970 on the common organisation of the market in fishery products, as last amended by the Act² annexed to the Treaty concerning the Accession of New Member States to the European Economic Community and the European Atomic Energy Community, signed at Brussels on 22 January 1972, and in particular Article 8 (4) of that Regulation.

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Whereas Article 8 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70 provides that a guide price shall be fixed each year for each of the products listed in Annex I (A) and (C) to that Regulation at a level which will help to stabilise market prices without leading to the formation of structural surpluses within the Community;

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 167/71³ of 26 January 1971 fixed for the first time the guide prices for the fishery products listed in Annex I (A) and (C) of Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70 for the fishing year 1971; whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 2655/71⁴ of 15 December 1971 fixed the guide prices at the same level for the fishing year 1972, and Council Regulation (EEC) No 1563/72⁵ of

20 July 1972 amended them for the same fishing year;

Whereas the application of the criteria aforesaid defined in Article 8 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70 involves an increase in prices by comparison with those valid for the current fishing year; whereas in the absence of certain information concerning price trends for each fishery product with given commercial characteristics consideration should be given, in the case of most products, to the relationship between the average weighted market prices which were taken into account when the guide prices were fixed for the first time for these products, and the average weighted market prices now current.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The guide prices for the products listed in Annex I (A) and (C) of Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70 and the products to which they relate shall be as shown in the Annex hereto. Those prices shall apply until 31 December 1973.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1973.

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

Done at Brussels, 19 December 1972.

For the Council
The President
P. LARDINOIS

¹ OJ No L 236, 27.11.1970, p. 5.

² OJ No L 73, 27.3.1972, p. 14.

³ OJ No L 23, 29.1.1971, p. 6.

⁴ OJ No L 276, 17.12.1971, p. 1.

⁵ OJ No L 167, 25.7.1972, p. 1.

ANNEX

Species	Products ¹			Guide price (in u.a./t)
	Freshness category	Size	Presentation	
1. Herrings	A	1	whole fish	196
2. Sardines (<i>clupeus pilchardus Walbaum</i>):				
(a) Atlantic	Extra	2	whole fish	391
(b) Mediterranean	Extra	2	whole fish	217
3. Redfish (<i>Sebastes marinus</i>)	A	2	whole fish	330
4. Cod	B or A	2	gutted fish with head	} 350
		3	gutted fish with head	
5. Coalfish	B or A	2	gutted fish with head	} 201
		3	gutted fish with head	
6. Haddock	A or A	2	whole fish	} 250
		3	gutted fish with head	
7. Whiting	A	2	gutted fish with head	286
8. Mackerel	Extra	2	whole fish in original boxes	} 200
	or A	2	whole fish	
9. Anchovies	Extra	2	whole fish	355
10. Plaice	A	3	gutted fish with head	300
11. Shrimps of the genus (<i>Crangon</i> sp.p.)	A	1	simply boiled in water	708

¹ The freshness categories, sizes and presentation are defined pursuant to Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70.