

## COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2955/77

of 23 December 1977

**amending Regulation (EEC) No 3559/73 laying down detailed rules for granting financial compensation and indemnities, fixing the withdrawal price and determining the buying-in price for certain fishery products**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 100/76 of 19 January 1976 on the common organization of the market in fishery products<sup>(1)</sup>, as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2429/76<sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Article 11 (5) thereof,

Whereas Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3559/73 of 21 December 1973<sup>(3)</sup>, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 287/77<sup>(4)</sup>, laid down detailed rules for granting financial compensation and indemnities and for fixing the withdrawal prices;

Whereas the withdrawal arrangements are intended to contribute to stabilizing the market without, however, provoking structural surpluses in the Community; whereas, therefore, adequate support to all markets must be promoted, bearing in mind the differences between the commercial specifications of the products landed as between the various markets; whereas the withdrawal prices must furthermore be so fixed that the results of the endeavours of producers' organizations to stabilize prices will not be jeopardized as far as they contribute to the attainment of Community objectives;

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 3559/73 fixed the conversion factors reflecting the average price difference between a product with specific commercial characteristics and products of the quality immediately below that of the product taken into consideration; whereas trends on the Community markets require the conversion factors for the various freshness categories, sizes and presentations of cod, saithe, whiting and mackerel to be adjusted;

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 108/76 of 19 January 1976<sup>(5)</sup>, laid down general rules for deter-

mining, in the fisheries sector, the landing areas situated at a considerable distance from the main centres of consumption in the Community;

Whereas the second subparagraph of Article 11 (4) of Regulation (EEC) No 100/76 provides that, in order to ensure that producers in landing areas which are very distant from the main centres of consumption in the Community have access to markets under satisfactory conditions, the Community withdrawal prices may be multiplied by conversion factors for those areas; whereas these factors are to be determined in such a way that the differences between the prices thus converted correspond to the price disparities to be expected in the case of normal production on the basis of the natural conditions of price formation on the market; whereas the trend observed in certain landing areas very distant from the main centres of consumption enables the regionalization of these areas to be abolished in the case of herring and hake; whereas the trend of the market price for mackerel and the satisfactory disposal thereof require the corresponding conversion factors to be fixed; whereas with regard to whiting, structural developments necessitate a new determination of landing areas;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Fishery Products,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

Annexes I and III to Regulation (EEC) No 3559/73 are hereby replaced by Annexes I and II hereto.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1978.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 20, 28. 1. 1976, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No L 276, 7. 10. 1976, p. 5.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No L 361, 29. 12. 1973, p. 53.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ No L 40, 11. 2. 1977, p. 14.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ No L 20, 28. 1. 1976, p. 45.

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

Done at Brussels, 23 December 1977.

*For the Commission*

Finn GUNDELACH

*Vice-President*

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## ANNEX I

## Products listed in Annex I (A) and (C) to Regulation (EEC) No 100/76

Species	Commercial characteristics (1)			Conversion factor	
	Freshness category	Size	Presentation		
Herrings	All categories	1	Whole fish	0.85	
	All categories	2	Whole fish	0.80	
	All categories	3	Whole fish	0.50	
Sardines : (a) from the Atlantic	Extra, A	2	Whole fish	0.85	
	Extra	3	Whole fish	0.65	
	Extra A	1, 4 3	Whole fish Whole fish	} 0.55	
	A B	1, 4 All sizes	Whole fish Whole fish	} 0.35	
	(b) from the Mediterranean	Extra, A	2	Whole fish	0.85
		Extra	3	Whole fish	0.70
		Extra A	1, 4 3	Whole fish Whole fish	} 0.60
		A B	1, 4 All sizes	Whole fish Whole fish	} 0.45
Redfish (Sebastes marinus)	All categories	All sizes	Whole fish	0.90	
Cod	All categories	1, 2, 3	Gutted fish with head	0.83	
	Extra, A Extra, A	1, 2, 3 4	Whole fish Gutted fish with head	} 0.65	
	B	1, 2, 3	Whole fish	0.60	
	Extra, A B Extra, A	5 4 4	Gutted fish with head Gutted fish with head Whole fish	} 0.55	
	B B	5 4	Gutted fish with head Whole fish	} 0.40	
	All categories	5	Whole fish	0.30	

Species	Commercial characteristics (1)			Conversion factor
	Freshness category	Size	Presentation	
Saithe	All categories	1, 2, 3	Gutted fish with head	0.90
	All categories Extra, A	1, 2, 3 4	Whole fish Gutted fish with head	} 0.75
	B	4	Gutted fish with head	0.55
	All categories	4	Whole fish	0.40
Haddock	Extra, A All categories	1, 2 1, 2, 3	Whole fish Gutted fish with head	} 0.80
	Extra, A	4	Gutted fish with head	0.70
	B Extra, A B	4 3, 4 1, 2, 3	Gutted fish with head Whole fish Whole fish	} 0.50
	B	4	Whole fish	0.40
	Whiting	All categories Extra, A Extra, A	1, 2 3 1, 2	Gutted fish with head Gutted fish with head Whole fish
B Extra, A		3 3	Gutted fish with head Whole fish	} 0.65
Extra, A B Extra, A		4 1, 2, 3 4	Gutted fish with head Whole fish Whole fish	} 0.55
B		4	Gutted fish with head	0.40
B		4	Whole fish	0.30
Mackerel		Extra, A Extra B	1, 2 3 1	Whole fish Whole fish Whole fish
	B A	2 3	Whole fish Whole fish	} 0.75
	B	3	Whole fish	0.70
	All categories	4	Whole fish	0.40

Species	Commercial characteristics <sup>(1)</sup>			Conversion factor
	Freshness category	Size	Presentation	
Anchovies	Extra, A	2	Whole fish	0.85
	Extra A	1, 3 1	Whole fish Whole fish	} 0.70
	B A	1 3	Whole fish Whole fish	} 0.60
	B	2, 3	Whole fish	0.45
Plaice	All categories	1, 2, 3	Gutted fish with head	0.80
	Extra, A	4	Gutted fish with head	0.69
	B All categories	4 All sizes	Gutted fish with head Whole fish	} 0.59
Hake	All categories	1, 2	Gutted fish with head	0.85
	All categories	3	Gutted fish with head	0.76
	All categories	4	Gutted fish with head	0.60
Shrimps of the genus Crangon spp	A, B	1	Simply boiled in water	0.65
	A, B,	2	Simply boiled in water	0.20

<sup>(1)</sup> The freshness categories, sizes and presentations are those defined pursuant to Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 100/76.

## ANNEX II

Species	Landing area	Conversion factor
Mackerel	1. Coastal areas of and islands off Ireland	0.61
	2. Coastal areas of and islands off Northern Ireland and the counties of Cornwall and Devon in the United Kingdom	0.80
	3. Coastal areas off the west, north-east, as far as Aberdeen in Scotland, and the islands to the west and north of these areas	0.66
Sardines from the Atlantic	4. Coastal areas of and islands off the counties of Cornwall and Devon in the United Kingdom	0.44
Merlan	5. Coastal areas of and islands off Ireland	0.85