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(Non-legislative acts)

## REGULATIONS

## COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2018/1224

of 6 September 2018

establishing a prohibition of fishing for Norway lobster in the Functional Unit 16 of ICES Subarea 7 by vessels flying the flag of Ireland

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 of 20 November 2009 establishing a Union control system for ensuring compliance with the rules of the common fisheries policy <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 36(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Council Regulation (EU) 2018/120 <sup>(2)</sup> lays down quotas for 2018.
- (2) According to the information received by the Commission, catches of the stock referred to in the Annex to this Regulation by vessels flying the flag of or registered in the Member State referred to therein have exhausted the quota allocated for 2018.
- (3) It is therefore necessary to prohibit fishing activities for that stock,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

**Quota exhaustion**

The fishing quota allocated to the Member State referred to in the Annex to this Regulation for the stock referred to therein for 2018 shall be deemed to be exhausted from the date set out in that Annex.

*Article 2*

**Prohibitions**

Fishing activities for the stock referred to in the Annex to this Regulation by vessels flying the flag of or registered in the Member State referred to therein shall be prohibited from the date set out in that Annex. In particular it shall be prohibited to retain on board, relocate, tranship or land fish from that stock caught by those vessels after that date.

*Article 3*

**Entry into force**

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

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 343, 22.12.2009, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> Council Regulation (EU) 2018/120 of 23 January 2018 fixing for 2018 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters, and amending Regulation (EU) 2017/127 (OJ L 27, 31.1.2018, p. 1).

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

Done at Brussels, 6 September 2018.

*For the Commission,  
On behalf of the President,  
João AGUIAR MACHADO  
Director-General  
Directorate-General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries*

ANNEX

No	13/TQ120
Member State	Ireland
Stock	NEP/*07U16
Species	Norway lobster ( <i>Nephrops norvegicus</i> )
Zone	Functional Unit 16 of ICES Subarea 7
Closing date	25.7.2018