COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2021/2318

of 21 December 2021

establishing a fisheries closure for herring in Norwegian waters north of 62° N and the fishery zone around Jan Mayen for vessels flying the flag of a Member State of the European Union

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 ([1]), and in particular Article 36(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Council Regulation (EU) 2021/92 ([2]) lays down quotas for 2021.

(2) According to the information received by the Commission, catches of the stock of herring in Norwegian waters north of 62° N and the fishery zone around Jan Mayen by vessels flying the flag of or registered in a Member State of the European Union have exhausted the quota allocated for 2021.

(3) It is therefore necessary to prohibit certain fishing activities for that stock,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Quota exhaustion

The fishing quota allocated to Member States of the European Union for the stock of herring in Norwegian waters north of 62° N and the fishery zone around Jan Mayen for 2021 referred to in the Annex 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 Article 1 by vessels flying the flag of or registered in a Member State of the European Union shall be prohibited from the date set out in the 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*.

([1]) OJ L 343, 22.12.2009, p. 1.

([2]) Council Regulation (EU) 2021/92 of 28 January 2021 fixing for 2021 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 (OJ L 31, 29.1.2021, p. 31).

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

Done at Brussels, 21 December 2021.

For the Commission,
On behalf of the President,
Virginijus SINKEVIČIUS
Member of the Commission

ANNEX

No	20/TQ92
Member State	European Union (All Member States)
Stock	HER/*2AJMN
Species	Herring (*Clupea harengus*)
Zone	Norwegian waters north of 62° N and the fishery zone around Jan Mayen
Closing date	30 November 2021 at 0.00 UTC