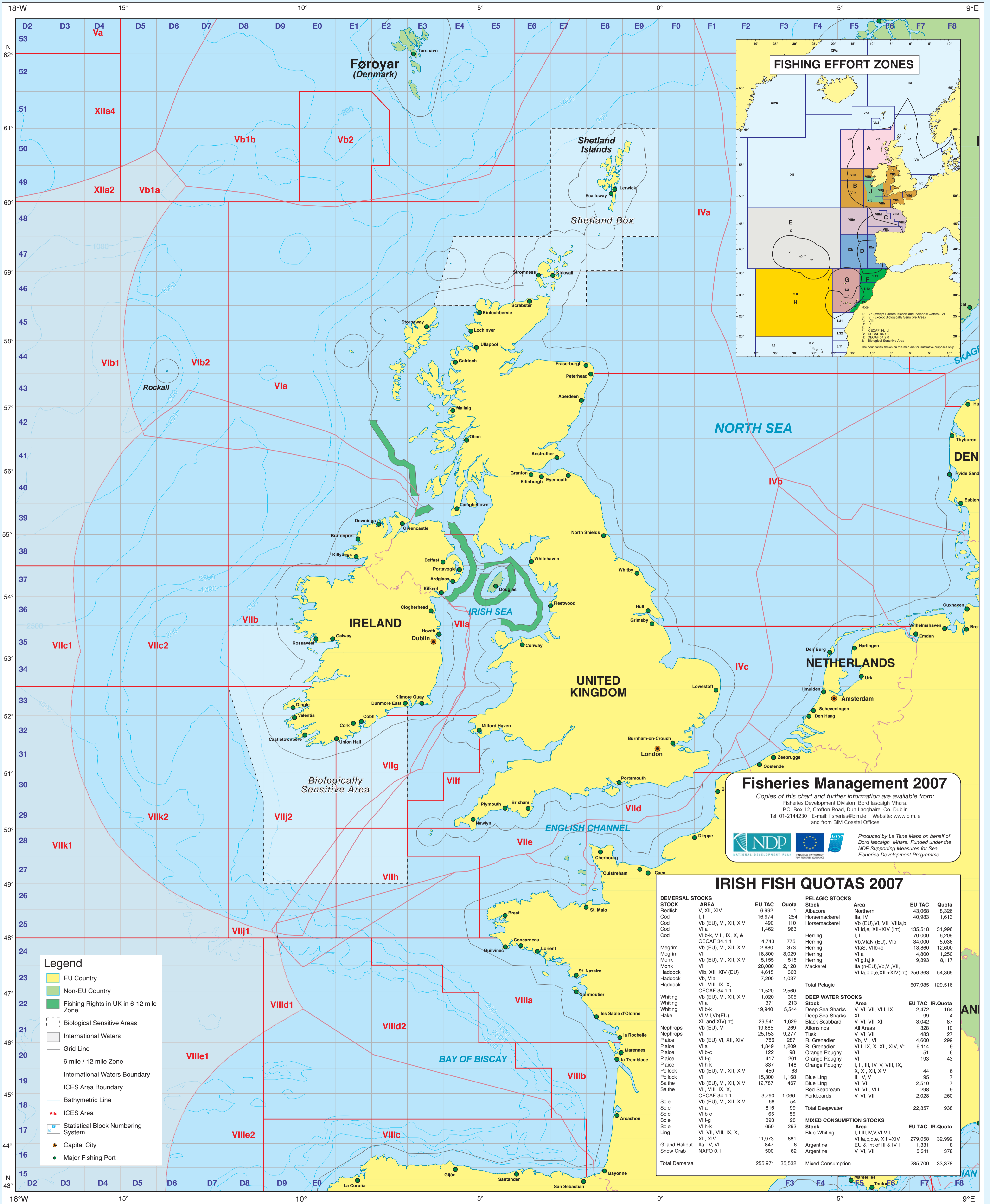


# Fisheries Management 2007

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**Mesh Size Ranges, Catch Composition & Technical Conservation Measures - Area VI North of 56°N & West of 7°30'W**

| Requirements   | Mesh Size 70-79mm        | Mesh Size 100-109mm      | Mesh Size 110-119mm      | Mesh Size 120mm+         |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Twine Thickness  | 5mm double or 8mm single | 5mm double or 8mm single | 5mm double or 8mm single | 5mm double or 8mm single |
| Square Mesh Panel  | 80mm                     | 80mm                     | 90mm                     | 80mm                     |
| Headline Panel <sup>1</sup>                                      | 140mm x 15 meshes        | 140mm x 15 meshes        | NA                       | NA                       |
| No. of Meshes in Codend Circumference                            | 120 or less              | 80-89mm 120              | 90-99mm 100              | 100                      |
| Max % of cod allowed   | 5                        | 20                       | 20                       | 3                        |
| Max % of Hake allowed  | 20                       | 20                       | 20                       | 20                       |
| Min Prawns % required  | 30                       | 30                       | 30                       | 30                       |
| Min % of Annex I list <sup>2 &amp; 3</sup>                       | 70                       | 70                       | 70                       | 70                       |
| Max saithe <sup>4</sup> % required                               |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| Min % haddock, hake, whiting, megrim, morsk, rays, saithe prawns |                          | 70                       | 70                       |                          |

<sup>1</sup>Beam trawlers require 180mm panel behind the headline of length found by — Beam Length in metres/12 x 5400/min. mesh size in panel  
<sup>2</sup>Sole, Plaice, Megrim, Whiting, Brill, White Pollack, Lemon sole, Dogfish, Witch, John Dory, Queen Scallop, Monkfish, Rays, Turbot, Grenadiers  
<sup>3</sup>Ling, Blue Ling, Saithe, Siki, Scabbard, Roughy, Forkbeard, Tusk  
<sup>4</sup>Saithe

**Mesh Size Ranges, Catch Composition & Technical Conservation Measures - Area VIIa, VIIb-k and Area VIa South of 56°N & East of 7°30'W**

| Requirements                          | Mesh Size 70-79mm                  | Mesh Size 80-99mm                  | Mesh Size 100mm+         |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Twine Thickness                       | 4mm double or 6mm single           | 4mm double or 6mm single           | 4mm double or 6mm single |
| Square Mesh Panel                     | 80mm                               | 80mm (VIIa, VIa only)              | NA                       |
| Headline Panel <sup>1</sup>           | 140mm x 15 meshes (VIIa, VIa only) | 140mm x 15 meshes (VIIa, VIa only) | NA                       |
| No. of Meshes in Codend Circumference | 120 or less                        | 80-89mm 120                        | 90-99mm 100              |
| Max % of cod allowed                  | NA                                 | NA                                 | NA                       |
| Max % of Hake allowed                 | 20                                 | 20                                 | NA                       |
| Min Prawns % required                 | 35                                 | 30                                 | NA                       |
| Min % of Annex I list <sup>2</sup>    | NA                                 | 70                                 | NA                       |
| Max % cod, haddock and saithe allowed | 35                                 | 30                                 | NA                       |

<sup>1</sup>Beam trawlers require 180mm panel behind the headline of length found by — Beam Length in metres/12 x 5400/min. mesh size in panel  
<sup>2</sup>Sole, Plaice, Megrim, Whiting, Brill, White Pollack, Lemon sole, Dogfish, Witch, John Dory, Queen Scallop, Monkfish, Rays, Turbot, Grenadiers

**Pelagic Gear Mesh Sizes & Catch Composition (All Areas)**

| Species                                   | Mesh Size <sup>1</sup> 16-31mm | Mesh Size <sup>1</sup> 32-54mm |
|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Blue Whiting, Argentines, Sprat, Pilchard | x                              |                                |
| Mackerel, Herring, Scud                   |                                | x                              |

<sup>1</sup> The catch on board must consist of 90% of two or more of the target species

**Fixed Gear Mesh Sizes & Catch Composition (Areas VI & VII)**

| Target Species   | Minimum Mesh Size (mm) <sup>1</sup> |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| Mackerel, Herring, Scud                                  | 250mm                               |
| Haddock, Whiting, Sole, Plaice <sup>2</sup>              | 100mm                               |
| Hake, White Pollack, Black Pollack, Ling Dogfish, Megrim | 120mm (<30% cod)                    |
| Skates and Rays, Turbot, Brill, Deepwater Shark          | 120mm/140mm in Area VI              |
| Monkfish (Area VI & VII)                                 | 220mm                               |
|  | 250mm <sup>3</sup>                  |

<sup>1</sup> The catch composition for each of the mesh sizes listed is 70%  
<sup>2</sup> Sole, Plaice, Megrim, Whiting, Brill, White Pollack, Lemon sole, Dogfish, Witch, John Dory, Queen Scallop, Monkfish, Rays, Turbot, Grenadiers  
<sup>3</sup> A minimum mesh size of 250mm is required if more than 30% by weight of the catch on board is monkfish

**Restrictions on Use of Gillnets in Areas VI, VII b,c,k and Area XII 200-600m**

| Mesh Size | Species  | Max. Depth | Max. Length | Dimensions      | Soak Time |
|-----------|----------|------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------|
| 120-150mm | Hake     | 600 m      | 25km        | 100 meshes deep | 24 hours  |
| >250mm    | Monkfish | 800 m      | 100km       | 15 meshes deep  | 72 hours  |