

Llywodraeth Cymru Welsh Government

WRITTEN STATEMENT BY THE WELSH GOVERNMENT

TITLE	The Sea Fisheries (International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas) (Amendment)(No. 2) Regulations 2024
DATE	19 March 2024

BY Lesley Griffiths MS, Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd

The Sea Fisheries (International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas) (Amendment) (No.2) Regulations 2024 ("the 2024 Regulations")

Members of the Senedd will wish to be aware I have given consent to the Secretary of State exercising a concurrent power to make subordinate legislation in a devolved area in relation to Wales.

Consent was sought on 15 January 2024 by Lord Douglas-Miller, Minister for Biosecurity, Animal Health and Welfare, to make a statutory instrument titled the Sea Fisheries (International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas) (Amendment) (No.2) Regulations 2024. The 2024 Regulations apply in relation to Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The 2024 Regulations will be made by the Secretary of State in exercise of powers conferred by section 36(1)(a), 36(1)(b) and section 51(a) of the Fisheries Act 2020.

This instrument makes amendments to the following retained EU law:

Regulation (EU) 2016/1627 of the European Parliament and of the Council on a multiannual recovery plan for bluefin tuna in the eastern Atlantic and the Mediterranean

Consent was granted as these Regulations ensure the UK is compliant with its obligations under the International Convention on the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (the Convention). In order for them to be effective, it is considered application on a UK basis and to all vessels operating in UK waters or wherever they may be.

The 2024 Regulations were laid before Parliament on 14/03/2024 and will come into force on 7/06/2024.