


# Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	<a href="#">1999/0218(CNS)</a>	Procedure completed
Common fisheries policy: collection and management of fisheries data, Community framework		
Repealed by <a href="#">2007/0070(CNS)</a> Amended by <a href="#">2007/0127(CNS)</a>		
Subject 3.15 Fisheries policy		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	<b>PECH</b> Fisheries		30/11/1999
		ELDR <a href="#">ATTWOOLL Elspeth</a>	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	<b>ENVI</b> Environment, Public Health, Consumer Policy	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Health	<a href="#">2281</a>	29/06/2000
	Fisheries	<a href="#">2273</a>	16/06/2000
	Fisheries	<a href="#">2220</a>	22/11/1999
European Commission	Commission DG <a href="#">Maritime Affairs and Fisheries</a>	Commissioner	

Key events			
27/10/1999	Legislative proposal published	<a href="#">COM(1999)0541</a>	Summary
22/11/1999	Debate in Council	<a href="#">2220</a>	
13/12/1999	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
21/02/2000	Vote in committee		Summary
21/02/2000	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A5-0038/2000</a>	
01/03/2000	Debate in Parliament		
02/03/2000	Decision by Parliament	<a href="#">T5-0079/2000</a>	Summary
29/06/2000	Act adopted by Council after consultation		

	of Parliament		
29/06/2000	End of procedure in Parliament		
15/07/2000	Final act published in Official Journal		

### Technical information

Procedure reference	1999/0218(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
	Repealed by <a href="#">2007/0070(CNS)</a> Amended by <a href="#">2007/0127(CNS)</a>
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 037
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	PECH/5/12264

### Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal	<a href="#">COM(1999)0541</a> <a href="#">OJ C 376 28.12.1999, p. 0054 E</a>	27/10/1999	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A5-0038/2000</a> <a href="#">OJ C 346 04.12.2000, p. 0004</a>	21/02/2000	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">T5-0079/2000</a> <a href="#">OJ C 346 04.12.2000, p. 0014-0073</a>	02/03/2000	EP	Summary
Follow-up document	<a href="#">COM(2004)0225</a>	02/04/2004	EC	Summary

### Additional information

European Commission	<a href="#">EUR-Lex</a>
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### Final act

<a href="#">Regulation 2000/1543</a> <a href="#">OJ L 176 15.07.2000, p. 0001</a>	Summary
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## Common fisheries policy: collection and management of fisheries data, Community framework

**PURPOSE** : to establish a Community framework for the collection and management of fisheries data needed to conduct the common fisheries policy. **CONTENT** : this proposal for a regulation aims to establish a Community framework for the collection and management of the fisheries data needed to conduct the common fisheries policy. The Member States shall be responsible for collecting the data. The proposal provides for the establishment of a Community framework into which the national programmes will fit. It places emphasis on a minimum programme that must be achieved so that scientific advice can be produced. It is intended that the proposed regulation will remain in force for some time, since it aims to compile datasets that are directly comparable from year to year. It is based on six-year periods, the first instalment covering the years 2000 to 2005. Regular progress reports must be prepared, the first of which is planned for 2002 with a view to identifying and recommending adjustments.?

## Common fisheries policy: collection and management of fisheries data, Community framework

The committee adopted the report (consultation procedure) by Elspeth ATTWOOLL (ELDR, UK) approving, with amendment, the Commission proposal on a Community framework for the collection and management of fisheries data needed to conduct the common fisheries policy. The

report stressed that the regulation must be given a clear political orientation, in the sense that the processing of data must be done in such a way as to help those taking decisions to come to conclusions. It felt that it was not enough to transmit data directly to international organisations and technical and advisory bodies, as currently provided for in the regulation. Unless the Commission itself was involved in the procedure, there was a danger that the data would be given insufficient weight. The committee accordingly adopted amendments intended to clarify certain aspects of the regulation, to speed its progress, to give it more weight by requiring Member States to transmit aggregated data to the Commission and to ensure closer involvement by the Commission itself in the evaluation of the data.

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The European Parliament adopted its report drafted by Mrs. Elspeth ATTWOOL (ELDR, UK) concerning a Council Regulation establishing a Community framework for the collection and management of the fisheries data needed to conduct the common fisheries policy. Parliament's amendments related to: - a change of emphasis in Article 3 to the establishment of multiannual aggregated and science-based datasets which incorporate biological and economic information (as opposed to datasets 'suitable for scientific analysis' in the Commission's proposal); - In Article 4, the data needed to evaluate the economic state of the industry, those being valid which have been obtained from studies and samples which are sufficiently wide in view of the objective pursued: as regards the fishing fleets: the volume of sales, the production costs, data enabling the jobs at sea to be counted and classified; - the introduction of a new paragraph in Article 4 on the data required to monitor changes in aquatic ecosystems; - Member States would be required to submit to the European Commission the data covered by this Regulation, as well as to the appropriate international organisations; - the provision by the Commission to the Parliament and the Council of an evaluation report at yearly intervals, the first one being by 31/12/01, as well as a report on the utilisation by the Community of the data collected under this Regulation.?

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PURPOSE: to establish a Community framework for the collection and management of the data needed to conduct the common fisheries policy. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Regulation 1543/2000/EC establishing a Community framework for the collection and management of the data needed to conduct the common fisheries policy. CONTENT: The Regulation on collection and management of the fisheries data provides for the establishment of a Community framework into which national programmes fit. The Commission is to define a minimum Community programme covering the information absolutely needed for scientific evaluations and an extended Community programme including, in addition, information likely to improve the scientific evaluations substantially. The Regulation aims to compile datasets that are directly comparable from year to year. It is based on six-year periods. An implementing regulation will describe in detail the data collection and management programmes and management rules for data handling, especially those relating to access to the databases. However, regarding the collection of economic data, the obligation to meet fully the provisions concerning the minimum programme will not apply until 1 January 2004 for the annual data per fleet segment and until 1 January 2006 for the annual data by type of processing industry. ENTRY INTO FORCE: 22/07/2000.?

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The European Commission presented its report on the implementation of the Community Framework for the collection and management of data needed to conduct the common fisheries policy. The results from the 2002 exercise demonstrated that Member States have invested considerable effort in the implementation of the data collection Regulation 1639/2001 and devoted much time into the preparation of their national programmes. At the same time it is evident that these programmes are highly variable in quality and completeness. For some Member States a significant effort is still needed to be applied in order to fulfil the entire Regulation requirements. It will take some time to achieve a systematic data collection programme with a good control of its quality. Consequently, it has not been possible yet to measure the appropriateness of the methods used. Nevertheless, considerable progress has been made in a short period by the Member States in general and it can be concluded that the data collection Regulation 1639/2001 has demonstrated its relevance and necessity. The scientific community welcomed this new initiative and fully support it. The data collection framework should therefore be continued. The existing data collection framework system could be reinforced without requiring the collection of any new data, in particular by increasing the data quality control and the use of the data collected, and by introducing improved co-ordination at national and international level. To take into account the recommendations given by the STECF during its mid-term review meeting in July 2003, however, some modifications should be made in the short term (e. g. precision level as a goal, introduction of new species and surveys, consequences of the implementation of Recovery Plans and considerations on commercial catch per unit effort). It is appropriate to extend the range of data collected under this data collection Regulation to take into account these recommendations. This requires amending the existing Commission Regulation 1639/2001. This extension of scope and the implementation of the international co-ordination will raise the costs of the national Programmes. Moreover, the accession of new Member States will have consequences for the budget necessary to achieve the objectives of the data collection framework. As a consequence, an increase of the budget of the data collection Regulation 1639/2001 for the year 2005 is required and will be subject of a proposal by the Commission.?