


# Procedure file

Basic information	
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	1999/0255(CNS) Procedure completed
Conservation of fishery resources: protection of juveniles of marine organisms Amending Regulation (EC) No 850/98 <a href="#">1996/0160(CNS)</a>	
Subject 3.15.01 Fish stocks, conservation of fishery resources	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	<b>PECH</b> Fisheries		27/01/2000
		PPE-DE <a href="#">VARELA</a> <a href="#">SUANZES-CARPEGNA Daniel</a>	
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	<a href="#">Education, Youth, Culture and Sport</a>	<a href="#">2270</a>	08/06/2000
	Fisheries	<a href="#">2237</a>	16/12/1999
European Commission	Commission DG <a href="#">Maritime Affairs and Fisheries</a>	Commissioner	

Key events			
30/11/1999	Legislative proposal published	COM(1999)0636	Summary
16/12/1999	Debate in Council	<a href="#">2237</a>	
21/01/2000	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
03/04/2000	Vote in committee		Summary
03/04/2000	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A5-0103/2000</a>	
19/05/2000	Debate in Parliament		
19/05/2000	Decision by Parliament	<a href="#">T5-0249/2000</a>	Summary
08/06/2000	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
08/06/2000	End of procedure in Parliament		
22/06/2000	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	1999/0255(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
	Amending Regulation (EC) No 850/98 <a href="#">1996/0160(CNS)</a>
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 037
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	PECH/5/12412

Documentation gateway					
Legislative proposal		<a href="#">COM(1999)0636</a> <a href="#">OJ C 089 28.03.2000, p. 0001</a>	30/11/1999	EC	Summary
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report		<a href="#">CES0091/2000</a> <a href="#">OJ C 075 15.03.2000, p. 0034</a>	26/01/2000	ESC	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		<a href="#">A5-0103/2000</a> <a href="#">OJ C 041 07.02.2001, p. 0004</a>	03/04/2000	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		<a href="#">T5-0249/2000</a> <a href="#">OJ C 059 23.02.2001, p. 0295-0315</a>	19/05/2000	EP	Summary

Additional information	
European Commission	<a href="#">EUR-Lex</a>

Final act
<a href="#">Regulation 2000/1298</a> <a href="#">OJ L 148 22.06.2000, p. 0001</a> Summary

## Conservation of fishery resources: protection of juveniles of marine organisms

PURPOSE : to amend for the fifth time Regulation 850/98/EC for the conservation of fishery resources through technical measures for the protection of juveniles of marine organisms. CONTENT : on 30 March 1998, the Council of Ministers adopted Council Regulation 850/98/EC for the conservation of fishery resources through technical measures for the protection of juveniles of marine organisms. After this Regulation was adopted and published, it became apparent that a number of data and developments brought to the Commission's attention should be incorporated into the Regulation : - provisions on the implementation of detailed rules for separator trawls or sorting grids in shrimp fisheries need to be established ; - recent scientific advice indicates the requirement for closure of fisheries for sand eels off the northeast coast of England and the east coast of Scotland ; - conditions for the applicability of national measures need to be redescribed, as the current description is, in some respects, unclear ; - minimum sizes for a number of bivalve molluscs and crustaceans need to be revised or introduced. In addition, the Commission has incorporated new restrictions on fishing for sand eels. During the years 2000, 2001 and 2002, it shall be prohibited to land or retain on board sand eels caught within the geographical area bounded by the east coast of England and Scotland. In conclusion, this proposal for a Council Regulation attempts to incorporate these changes by amending Regulation 850/98/EC.?

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The committee adopted the report (consultation procedure) by Daniel VARELA SUANZES-CARPEGNA (EPP/ED, E) approving the Commission proposal with just one amendment calling for the minimum permitted landing size for deepwater rose shrimp to be reduced to 22 mm. The committee felt that the Commission proposal of 24mm was excessive and could cause problems for fishermen, and that the compromise of 22 mm already agreed with the Member States was more appropriate. ?

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The European Parliament adopted its report drafted by Daniel VARELA SUANZES-CARPEGNA (EPP/ED, Spain) on the protection of juveniles of marine organisms, with one amendment. This amendment reduces the length of the protected deepwater rose shrimp from 24mm to 22mm (carpace length).?

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**PURPOSE:** to amend for the fifth time Regulation 850/98/EC for the conservation of fishery resources through technical measures for the protection of juveniles of marine organisms. **COMMUNITY MEASURE:** Council Regulation 1298/2000/EC. **CONTENT:** This Regulation provides a certain number of amendments to provisions of Regulation 850/1998/EC based on the following reasons: - Geographical and seasonal particularities render it appropriate that detailed rules for separator trawlers or nets with a sorting grid to be used in shrimp fisheries should be established by Member States for fishing vessels flying their flag and registered in the Community; - A closure of fisheries for sand eels off the northcoast of England and the east coast of Scotland is required; - Article 46 of Regulation 850/98/EC should be redrafted to provide greater clarity with regard to its applicability; - Minimum sizes for a number of crustaceans and bivalve molluscs should be revised or introduced. Against this background, the amending Regulation includes the following provisions: - At the very latest on 1 July 2002, a separator trawl or a trawl with a sorting grid shall be used to catch common shrimps and Aesop shrimps in conformity with detailed rules which Member States shall establish in accordance with Article 46; - During the years 2000, 2001 and 2002, it shall be prohibited to land or retain on board sand eels caught within a certain geographical area bounded by the east coast of England and Scotland; - Member States may take measures for the conservation and management of stocks under certain conditions. **ENTRY INTO FORCE:** 14.07.2000.?