


# Procedure file

Basic information	
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	2006/0030(CNS) Procedure completed
Technical measures for the conservation of certain stocks of highly migratory species  Repealing Regulation (EC) No 973/2001 <a href="#">2000/0149(CNS)</a> Amended by <a href="#">2007/0058(CNS)</a> Amended by <a href="#">2016/0187(COD)</a> Amended by <a href="#">2020/0139(COD)</a>	
Subject 3.15.01 Fish stocks, conservation of fishery resources 3.15.04 Management of fisheries, fisheries, fishing grounds	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	<b>PECH</b> Fisheries		04/04/2006
		PSE <a href="#">MIGUÉLEZ RAMOS Rosa</a>	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	<b>ENVI</b> Environment, Public Health and Food Safety	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	<a href="#">Agriculture and Fisheries</a>	<a href="#">2797</a>	07/05/2007
European Commission	Commission DG	Commissioner	
	<a href="#">Maritime Affairs and Fisheries</a>	BORG Joe	

Key events			
08/03/2006	Legislative proposal published	<a href="#">COM(2006)0100</a>	Summary
03/04/2006	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
21/12/2006	Vote in committee		Summary
21/12/2006	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A6-0476/2006</a>	
14/02/2007	Results of vote in Parliament		
14/02/2007	Decision by Parliament	<a href="#">T6-0034/2007</a>	Summary
07/05/2007	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
07/05/2007	End of procedure in Parliament		
12/05/2007	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2006/0030(CNS)

Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
	Repealing Regulation (EC) No 973/2001 <a href="#">2000/0149(CNS)</a> Amended by <a href="#">2007/0058(CNS)</a> Amended by <a href="#">2016/0187(COD)</a> Amended by <a href="#">2020/0139(COD)</a>
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 037
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	PECH/6/34835

### Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal	<a href="#">COM(2006)0100</a>	08/03/2006	EC	Summary
Committee draft report	<a href="#">PE372.100</a>	25/10/2006	EP	
Amendments tabled in committee	<a href="#">PE382.234</a>	27/11/2006	EP	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A6-0476/2006</a>	21/12/2006	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">T6-0034/2007</a>	14/02/2007	EP	Summary
Commission response to text adopted in plenary	<a href="#">SP(2007)1040</a>	21/03/2007	EC	

### Additional information

National parliaments	<a href="#">IPEX</a>
European Commission	<a href="#">EUR-Lex</a>

### Final act

[Regulation 2007/520](#)  
[OJ L 123 12.05.2007, p. 0003](#) Summary

## Technical measures for the conservation of certain stocks of highly migratory species

**PURPOSE:** to lay down technical measures for the conservation of certain stocks of highly migratory species.

**PROPOSED ACT:** Council Regulation.

**CONTENT:** the purpose of this Regulation is to repeal Regulation 973/2001/EC, which currently governs the technical measures for the conservation of highly migratory species and to present a new Regulation in which new measures are specified. The technical measures apply, in this case, to tuna. They have been agreed in order to ensure the sustainable exploitation of tuna and in particular to reduce catches of juveniles. The technical measures apply to Community fishermen fishing for tuna species in the Atlantic Ocean, the Mediterranean Sea, the Indian Ocean and the Pacific Ocean.

The measures themselves are formulated by a number of regional fisheries organisations such as the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas, the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission, the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission and the Western and Central Pacific Ocean Fisheries Commission. The provisions set out in the technical measures refer, inter alia, to the fixing of minimum sizes for fish, closed fishing areas and seasons as well as restrictions on the fishing effort. In cases where a Contracting Party has no objections to the technical measures they become binding.

Since 2001 a number of new technical measures have been adopted, which need to be incorporated into EU law. In presenting a new Regulation to govern updated technical specifications the Commission is also looking to simplify the legislative framework. For example, the

new Regulation will make it possible to combine into a single Regulation all the technical measures adopted by the tuna regional fisheries organisations to which the European Community is a contracting party. Finally, the proposal has no financial implications on the Community's budget.

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The committee adopted the report by Rosa MIGUÉLEZ RAMOS (PES, ES) approving the proposed regulation laying down technical measures for the conservation of certain stocks of highly migratory species. It adopted a number of amendments under the consultation procedure introducing new recitals referring to the risk of collapse in the bluefin tuna fishery as a result of over-fishing and recommending ways of tackling this problem.

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Rosa MIGUÉLEZ RAMOS (PES, ES) approving the proposed regulation, subject to a number of additional recitals referring to the risk of collapse in the bluefin tuna fishery as a result of over-fishing and recommending ways of tackling this problem.

## Technical measures for the conservation of certain stocks of highly migratory species

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**PURPOSE:** to lay down technical measures for the conservation of certain stocks of highly migratory species.

**PROPOSED ACT:** Council Regulation (EC) No 520/2007 laying down technical measures for the conservation of certain stocks of highly migratory species and repealing Regulation (EC) No 973/2001.

**CONTENT:** the Council adopted a Regulation laying down measures for the conservation of stocks of highly migratory species with a view to update and incorporate new international rules into EU law.

The purpose of the Regulation is to establish technical conservation measures, applicable to EU fishing vessels on the capture and landing of stocks of: tunas; marlins, swordfish and other highly migratory species. It will also apply to the capture of by-catches.

The Regulation updates and incorporates, into EU law, measures adopted by regional fisheries organisations to which the Commission is a contracting party. Measures include authorised sizes and weights of fish, restrictions on fishing within certain areas and time periods and the number and capacity of vessels.

**ENTRY INTO FORCE:** 01 June 2007.