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Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority

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Dear Permit Holder

South Devon Inshore Potting Agreement - Trawling and Crabbing Chart 2022

I am contacting you as a holder of a D&S IFCA's Mobile Fishing permit. The Inshore Potting Agreement (IPA) Trawling and Crabbing Chart is reviewed on an annual basis by members of the IPA Committee who represent the different fishing sectors that may be affected by any changes in management of the areas within the IPA off the South Devon coast. The IPA Committee has agreed the 2022 chart and it is attached together with the positional data. **THERE ARE NO CHANGES TO THE CHART.** Please remember to use this chart in conjunction with the D&S IFCA's Mobile Fishing Permit Conditions and Annexes 3, 4 and 5, where further restrictions apply. You will have received the Permit Conditions and Annexes with your Mobile Fishing permit, but the Annexes are also attached for your information

The IPA Committee Members are concerned about the level of infringements by Mobile fishing vessels within the area of Zone 3 of the IPA chart that lies outside the 6nm boundary. Members of the Committee have requested that I write to all Mobile Fishing Permit holders to highlight these concerns and inform you that Zone 3 and the area outside the 6nm will be closely monitored through 2022. If infringements are identified, then this may result in the area outside the 6nm being closed to demersal gear though changes to the IPA chart for 2023 and variations to the Commercial Fishing Licence Conditions.

If you have any questions regarding the chart, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Sarah Clark
Deputy Chief Officer