Devon and Severn Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority

Minimum Sizes for Fish and Shellfish

EU/National		Devon and Severn IFCA	
Species	Size (cm)	Species	Size (cm)
Anchovy	12	Anchovy	12
Bass	42	Bass	42
Cod	35	Cod	35
Haddock	30	Haddock	30
Hake	27	Hake	27
Horse Mackerel	15	Horse Mackerel	15
Ling	63	Ling	63
Blue Ling	70	Blue Ling	70
Mackerel	20	Mackerel	20
Mackerel (North	30		
Sea)			
Megrim	20	Megrim	20
Plaice	27	Plaice	27
Pollack	30	Pollack	30
Saithe (Coley)	35	Saithe (Coley)	35
Sardine	11	Sardine	11
Sole	24	Sole	24
Whiting	27	Whiting	27

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Species	Size (cm)	Species	Size (cm)
Lobster (Carapace)	8.7	Lobster (Carapace)	9
Queen Scallop	4	Queen Scallop	4
Spider Crab (female)	12	Spider Crab (female)	13
Spider Crab (male)	13	Spider Crab (male)	13
Scallop	10	Scallop	10
Scallop (7D & Wales)	11		
Velvet Crab	6.5	Velvet Crab	6.5
Crawfish (Carapace)	9.5	Crawfish (Carapace)	11
Surf Clam	2.5	Surf Clam	2.5
Nephrops (overall)	8.5	Nephrops (overall)	8.5
Nephrops (carapace)	2.5	Nephrops (carapace)	2.5
Nephrops (tails)	4.6	Nephrops (tails)	4.6
Whelk (length of	4.5	Whelk (Length of	5.5*
shell)		Shell)	*6.5 from 1/11/20
Edible Crab (female)	Various	Edible Crab (female)	15**
Edible Crab (male)	Various	Edible Crab (male)	16
Winkles	<u> </u>	Winkles	1.6***

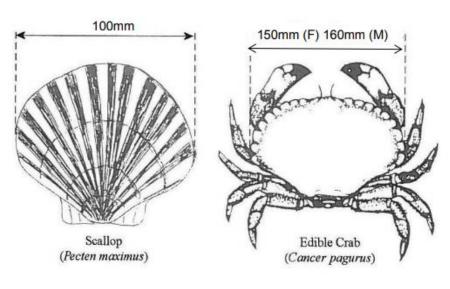
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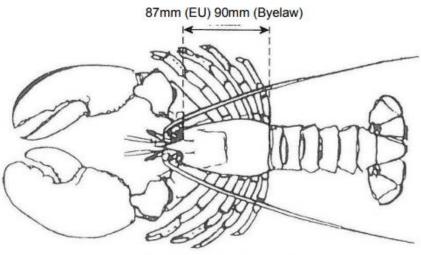
Although MCRS are listed that apply to D&S IFCA's District, not all apply via D&S IFCA Byelaws or the Permit Conditions.

- *Subject to increase via the date specified in the Potting Permit Byelaw (Permit Conditions).
- **The MCRS of 150mm for female edible crab applies to the Mobile Fishing, Potting, Netting and Diving Permit Conditions. A MCRS of 140mm for female edible crab applies to their removal by <u>all persons</u> in the District.
- ***Winkle size refers to 1.6 cm square gauge.

Female edible crab sizes vary in other areas. Other minimum landing sizes apply for nephrops in areas 7A and 6A.

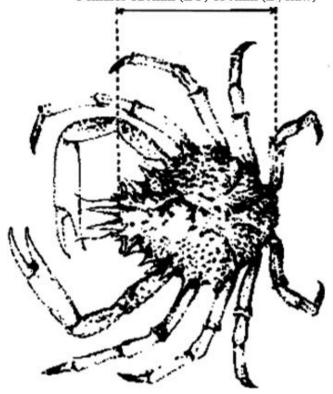
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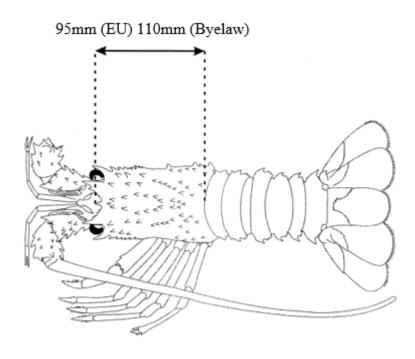


Lobster (Homarus gammarus)

Males 130mm (EU and Byelaw) Females 120mm (EU) 130mm (Byelaw)



Spider Crab (Maia squinado)



Spiny Lobster (Palinurus spp)