

REGULATIONS RELATING TO FISHING FOR REDFISH IN THE FISHERIES PROTECTION ZONE AROUND SVALBARD

On 17 December 2009, under the Act of 17 December 1976 No. 91 relating to the Economic Zone of Norway and section 16 of the Act of 6 June 2008 No. 37 relating to the management of wild living marine resources (the Marine Resources Act), cf section 3 of the Regulations of 3 June 1977 No. 6 relating to a Fisheries Protection Zone around Svalbard, the Ministry of Fisheries and Coastal Affairs adopted the following regulations:

§ 1 General prohibition

It is prohibited for Norwegian and foreign vessels of any kind engaged in commercial fishing or assisting the fishing fleet, including search and experimental fishing vessels, to fish for redfish in the Fisheries Protection Zone around Svalbard.

§ 2 Bycatches

During fishing operations for other species in the Fisheries Protection Zone around Svalbard, it is permitted to have up to 15 per cent redfish by weight in each catch and in the catch landed.

§ 3 Penal measures

Any person who wilfully or negligently contravenes any provisions set out in these regulations is liable to a penalty under the provisions of sections 8 and 9 of the Act of 17 December 1976 No. 91 relating to the Economic Zone of Norway and sections 61, 64 and 65 of the Act of 6 June 2008 No. 37 relating to the management of wild living marine resources. Complicity or an attempt is liable to the same penalties.

§ 5 Entry into force

These regulations enter into force on 1 January 2010. From the same date, the Regulations of 22 December 1999 No. 1487 relating to fishing for redfish in the Fisheries Protection Zone around Svalbard are repealed.