

## **REGULATIONS RELATING TO FISHING FOR REDFISH IN THE TERRITORIAL AND INTERNAL WATERS OF SVALBARD**

*On 17 December 2009, under section 4 of the Act of 17 July 1925 relating to Svalbard, cf. section 1 of the Regulations of 28 April 1978 No. 20 relating to regulatory measures for fishing in the territorial and internal waters of Svalbard, 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 5 of the Act of 27 June 2003 No. 57 Act relating to Norway's territorial waters and contiguous zone, 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 territorial and internal waters of Svalbard.

### **§ 2 Bycatches**

During fishing operations for other species in the territorial and internal waters of Svalbard, it is permitted to have up to 15% redfish by weight in each catch and in the catch landed.

### **§ 3 Penal measures**

Any person who wilfully or negligently contravenes the provisions of these regulations is liable to a penalty under section 4 of the Act of 17 July 1925 No. 11 relating to Svalbard and sections 60, 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.

### **§ 4 Entry into force**

These regulations enter into force on 1 January 2010. From the same date, the Regulations of 22 December 1999 No. 1489 relating to fishing for redfish in the territorial and internal waters of Svalbard are repealed.