

**CONSERVATION MEASURE 33-03 (2002)<sup>1</sup>**  
**Limitation of By-catch in New and Exploratory Fisheries**  
**in the 2002/03 Season**

Species	by-catch
Area	various
Season	2002/03
Gear	all

1. This conservation measure applies to new and exploratory fisheries in all areas containing small-scale research units (SSRUs) in the 2002/03 season except where specific by-catch conservation measures apply.
2. The catch limits for all by-catch species are set out in Annex 33-03/A.
3. For the purposes of this measure ‘*Macrourus* spp.’ and ‘skates and rays’ should each be counted as a single species.
4. If the by-catch of any one species is equal to or greater than 1 tonne in any one haul or set, then the fishing vessel shall move to another location at least 5 n miles<sup>2</sup> distant. The fishing vessel shall not return to any point within 5 n miles of the location where the by-catch exceeded 1 tonne for a period of at least five days<sup>3</sup>. The location where the by-catch exceeded 1 tonne is defined as the path followed by the fishing vessel from the point at which the fishing gear was first deployed from the fishing vessel to the point at which the fishing gear was retrieved by the fishing vessel.

<sup>1</sup> Except for waters adjacent to the Kerguelen and Crozet Islands

<sup>2</sup> This provision concerning the minimum distance separating fishing locations is adopted pending the adoption of a more appropriate definition of a fishing location by the Commission.

<sup>3</sup> The specified period is adopted in accordance with the reporting period specified in Conservation Measure 23-01, pending the adoption of a more appropriate period by the Commission.

**BY-CATCH CATCH LIMITS FOR NEW AND  
EXPLORATORY FISHERIES IN THE 2002/03 SEASON**

Subarea/ Division	Region	SSRU	<i>Dissostichus</i> spp. Catch Limit (tonnes)	By-catch Catch Limit (tonnes)		
				Skates and Rays	<i>Macrourus</i> spp.	Other Species
48.6	North of 60°S	A	455	50	73	20
		South of 60°S	all	455	50	73
		B	*	*	*	20
		C	*	*	*	20
		D	*	*	*	20
		E	*	*	*	20
		F	*	*	*	20
58.4.2		A	100	50	50	20
		B	100	50	50	20
		C	100	50	50	20
		D	100	50	50	20
		E	100	50	50	20
58.4.3a	Total area		250	50	50	20
58.4.3b	Total area		300	50	50	20
88.1	North of 65°S	A	256	50	50	20
		South of 65°S	B	876	50	140
		C	876	50	140	20
		D	876	50	140	20
		E	876	50	140	20
88.2		all	375	50	60	
		A	*	*	*	20
		B	*	*	*	20
		C	*	*	*	20
		D	*	*	*	20
		E	*	*	*	20
		F	*	*	*	20
	G	*	*	*	20	

\* In the case where a SSRU catch limit is not specified, the by-catch limit will be governed by the limit in the subarea/division.

Rules for catch limits for by-catch species:

- Skates and rays – 5% of the catch limit for *Dissostichus* spp. or 50 tonnes, whichever is greater.  
*Macrourus* spp. – 16% of the catch limit for *Dissostichus* spp. or 50 tonnes, whichever is greater.  
 Other species – 20 tonnes per SSRU