

**PROTOCOL OF FISHERIES CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN NORWAY AND THE
EUROPEAN UNION, ON BEHALF OF SWEDEN, FOR 2024**

8 DECEMBER 2023

Consultations on the Swedish fishery in the Norwegian Economic Zone south of 62° North for 2024, within the framework of the fisheries agreement between Norway and Sweden of 9 December 1976, took place in Oslo from 30th to 31st November and 27th to 29th November and by means of videoconferences on 7th and 8th December 2023 between a European Union Delegation, on behalf of Sweden, headed by Mr. Thomas BRÉGEON, and a Norwegian Delegation, headed by Ms. Ann Kristin WESTBERG.

1. REPORT ON THE SWEDISH FISHERY IN THE NORWEGIAN ECONOMIC ZONE

- 1.1. The EU Delegation, on behalf of Sweden, reported on the Swedish fishery during 2022 and 2023. It was concluded that the official catch statistics were in conformity with the catch reports submitted by Swedish vessels to the Norwegian fisheries authorities.
- 1.2. The Norwegian Delegation noted that the catches of anglerfish since 2019 had increased tenfold and reminded EU that according to this agreement the catches of “other species” should be kept at traditional level, and that they expected catches in 2024 to reflect this.
- 1.3. In order to increase transparency, the Delegations agreed to further discuss co-operation in the field of catch statistics. In this context, it was agreed that monthly catch statistics for the preceding month, broken down by species for fisheries regulated under section 2.1 in the Norwegian Economic Zone will be forwarded.

2. QUOTAS AND LICENCES FOR A SWEDISH FISHERY IN THE NORWEGIAN ECONOMIC ZONE FOR 2024

- 2.1. The Norwegian Delegation informed the EU Delegation, on behalf of Sweden, that the following quotas would be allocated to Sweden in the Norwegian Economic Zone in 2024:

	Tonnes
Cod	382
Haddock	707
Saithe	880
Pollack and Whiting	190
Herring	1128
Mackerel	322 ¹
Shrimps	123
Industrial species, of which a maximum of 400 tonnes of horse mackerel	800
Other species:	At a traditional level

By-catches of cod, saithe, haddock, pollack and whiting shall be counted against the quotas for these species.

2.2. Licences

The Norwegian Delegation informed the EU Delegation, on behalf of Sweden, that the licences for Swedish vessels in 2024 will be issued on the same basis as previously, in line with established practice.

The two Delegations agreed that licences issued for fishing under this arrangement in the Norwegian Economic Zone may only be used by vessels flying the flag of Sweden.

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¹ May also be fished North of 62°N