

Sussex Sea Fisheries District Committee

Information to Fishermen

The following minimum sizes for finfish, crustacea and mollusc species, currently apply within the Sussex Sea Fisheries Committee's District.

Variations in size regulations may exist with respect to species captured outside Sea Area ICES Division VIID, which are then transported into the District.

Unless specified all measurements apply to the dimension of length. Additional information regarding the method of measurement for fish, crustacea and molluscs should be referred to if necessary.

Finfish:

COD	35 cm	POLLACK	30 cm
WHITING	27 cm	HERRING	20 cm
SAITHE	35 cm	HORSE MACKEREL	15 cm
PLAICE	27 cm	HAKE	27 cm
DOVER SOLE	24 cm	MEGRIM	20 cm
BASS	36 cm	LING	63 cm
SARDINE	11 cm	MACKEREL	20 cm

Crustacea:

LOBSTER	(<i>Homarus gammarus</i>)	87 mm	carapace length
EDIBLE CRAB	(<i>Cancer pagurus</i>)	140 mm	carapace width
VELVET CRAB	(<i>Necora puber</i>)	65 mm	carapace width
SPIDER CRAB	(<i>Maia squinado</i>)	130 mm (males) 120 mm (females)	carapace length carapace length
CRAWFISH	(<i>Palinurus spp.</i>)	95 mm	carapace length

Molluscs:

QUEEN SCALLOP	(<i>Chlamys spp</i>)	40 mm	shell width
KING SCALLOP	(<i>Pecten maximus</i>)	110 mm	shell width
WHELK	(<i>Buccinum undatum</i>)	45 mm	shell length
RAZOR CLAM	(<i>Ensis spp</i>)	10 cm	shell length
OYSTER (native)	(<i>Ostrea edulis</i>)	7 cm	*

* The shell must be unable to pass through a circular ring with a 70 mm internal diameter

**It should be noted that specified sizes are subject to change.
For additional information please contact your local SSFC fisheries Officer,
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