

CODE OF CONDUCT

Catch for personal consumption,
not for sale or financial gain.

Return all catch you do not intend to use alive
to the sea to help conserve stocks.

Place discarded tackle and other rubbish in bins
or take it home for disposal.

For some species circle hooks can reduce
the incidence of deep hooking. Consider using
them as a conservative measure.

Advise us in confidence of any activity that ap-
pears to contravene the regulations.

“TURN IT AND RETURN IT”

If you turn over rocks, return them to their
original position to preserve the environment
beneath. Studies show it can take 5-10 years to
recover if left upturned.

REPORT MARINE MAMMAL SIGHTINGS

www.societe-jersiaise.org

Go to the Marine Biology section and click on
‘Report a Sighting’.

More detailed information on all matters
discussed in this leaflet is available. Please visit
our webpages, or contact Marine Resources:

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“States of Jersey
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These details are correct at time of printing. Copies of
appropriate legislation are available from the States
Greffe and the Fisheries website.

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RECREATIONAL ANGLING AND LOW WATER FISHING

A Guide to Regulations in Jersey

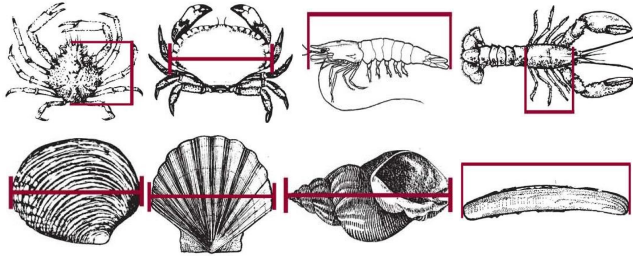


Marine Resources

REGULATIONS

MINIMUM SIZES AND BAG LIMITS

Some species are subject to bag limits and minimum landing sizes - see adjacent pages for details.



BEACH SET NETS, HOOKS, AND LINES

Trot lines, hooks, and nets set from the beach are prohibited.

BOAT SET NETS

Nets set from a boat may only be used where the depth of the sea is more than 130cm. The size of the mesh is dependant on the fish being targeted. Some locations are subject to closures.

See website for details.

MARKING OF GEAR

All fishing gear left in the sea must be clearly marked with the J / JY number, or name of the boat.

PARLOUR POTS

Parlour pots must have at least one escape gap of the legally required dimensions in the lowest part of the parlour area. They may not be used within the no-parlour zones at Les Ecrehous and Les Minquiers.

FISHING LICENCES

Any boat used for commercial fishing (where catch is sold) must hold a valid Jersey Fishing Boat licence.

UNDERWATER FISHING

It is illegal to take any shellfish, other than crabs, from the sea with the aid of underwater breathing apparatus, including mask / goggles. Scallops may be dived for if the correct permit is held (see 'Species Information').

Additional information is available at www.gov.je/fisheries

MINIMUM SIZES

FISH

Measured from tip of the snout to end of the tail fin



COMMON NAME	MINIMUM SIZE (cm)
Bass *	42
Black Bream	23
Brill	30
Cod	35
Conger Eel	58
Dab	15
Flounder	25
Haddock	30
Horse Mackerel	15
Lemon Sole	25
Ling	63
Mackerel	20
Mullet	20
Plaice	27
Pollack	30
Red Mullet	15
Red Sea Bream	25
Sardine	11
Sole	24
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Turbot	30
Whiting	27

SHELLFISH

See 'Regulations' section for measuring guidelines.

COMMON NAME	MINIMUM SIZE (cm)
Brown Crab	15
Carpet Shell	3.8
Clam	4
Donax Clam	2.5
Grooved Carpet Shell	4
Hard Clam	6
Lady Crab	6.5
Lobster	8.7
Ormer *	9
Prawn	5
Razorfish	10
Scallop *	10.2
Short-necked Clam	4
Spider Crab	12
Surf Clam	2.5

* See 'Species Information' for additional regulations

SPECIES INFORMATION

BASS

TWO FISH PER PERSON PER DAY
April 1st to January 31st, inclusive.
Catch and release at all other times.



ORMERS

The bag limit is 20 per person per day, or 100 per boat per day, if 5+ people. The ormering season is open from **1st October to 30th April**, inclusive. During these dates fishing may only take place on the first day of each new or full moon, and three days following. Fresh ormers may only be possessed on the first day of each new or full moon, and the five days following. SCUBA equipment may not be used to assist with gathering ormers.



SCALLOPS

There is a bag limit of 24 per person per day, and a minimum size of 10.2cm. Scallops may only be collected using SCUBA equipment if a permit is held by the diver.
This can be obtained online at www.gov.je.