



# WESSEX REGION

## RECOMMENDED RETENTION SIZE LIMITS

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SPECIES	BOAT cms	SHORE cms
Bass	45	45
Bream	24	24
Brill	35	35
Bull Huss	58	58
Coalfish (Saith)	35	35
Cod	35	35
Conger Eel	120	91
Dab	20	20
Lessor Spotted Dogfish	46	38
Flounder*	25	25
Garfish	38	38
Gurnard Tub	28	28
Haddock	35	30
John Dory	33	25
Ling	72	72
Mackerel	30	30
Megrim	25	25
Mullet	33	33
Plaice	28	28
Pollack	30	30
Pouting	25	18
Poor Cod	18	18
Rockling	18	18
Silver Eel	38	38
Spur Dog	58	58
All Skates & Rays (Across the wings)	41	41
Smoothhound	51	51
Sole	25	25
Scad	25	25
Trigger Fish	30	30
Turbot	41	35
Whiting	27	27
Witch	28	28
Wrasse Ballan	23	23
Unclassified	20	20
<b>By weight:</b>	<b>kg</b>	<b>kg</b>
Halibut	10	3
Monkfish	7	7
Sharks	23	18
Tope	9	9

- Local Sea fisheries Byelaws must be observed, if applicable.

### RECOMMENDED RETENTION SIZE LIMITS (RRSLs) & DEFRA MINIMUM LANDING SIZES (MLSs)

The UK Government, via DEFRA, lay down certain Minimum Landing Sizes (MLSs). However, with conservation in mind, the AT provide Recommended Retention Size Limits (RRSLs) for the majority of fish likely to be caught in UK waters.

An RRSL is a suggested size for a fish below which it should be returned to the sea. Should there be any dispute on the measurement of a fish, the Match Organiser's Master Measure will be the deciding measure.

All fish are to be measured from the tip of the snout to the end of the tail fin, except Skates and Rays, which are to be measured wing tip to wing tip.