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The European Communities (Fishery Limits) Regulations, 1973 implement the provisions of Articles 100 and 101 of the Treaty relating to Ireland's accession to the EEC. Those Articles authorise Ireland, notwithstanding the EEC fishery regulation which provides equality of access to and exploitation of fishery waters by fishing vessels of the member States, to restrict fishing by such vessels in certain areas of our exclusive fishery limits.

The making of the regulations was necessary in order to avail of the derogation granted under Articles 100 and 101 of the Treaty of Accession.

Fishing vessels of other member States are permitted to fish in the outer six mile belt of our twelve mile exclusive fishery limits from Cork Harbour to Carnsore Point for all species of fish and from Carnsore Point to Carlingford Lough for varieties other than shellfish. There is no change in position in the area from Lough Foyle to Cork Harbour as we succeeded in retaining the 12

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mile exclusive fishery limit off that part of the coast line. The habitual rights of fishing in certain areas for certain species of fish, as provided for under the London Fisheries Convention of 1964, are not affected by the regulations.

(21) European Communities (Marketing Standards for Eggs) Regulations, 1973

These regulations which come into effect on 18 July 1973 will replace the European Communities (Marketing of Eggs) Regulations, 1973 made on 18 January 1973 which will lapse on 17 July 1973.

The purpose of the European Communities (Marketing Standards for Eggs) Regulations, 1973 is to make the necessary supplementary provisions to EEC Regulation No. 1619/68, as amended, on marketing standards for eggs. The European Communities (Marketing Standards for Eggs) Regulations 1973 (a) provide that the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries is the body charged with administering the egg marketing regulations, (b) prescribe certain labelling requirements, (c) provide for the authorisation of collectors and preservers, (d) prescribe records to be kept by packing centres, collectors and preservers, (e) provide for the authorisation of officers to enforce the regulations and (f) prescribe penalties for breaches of the regulations.

The EEC egg marketing regulations which came into force in this country on 1 February 1973 cover all aspects of marketing - quality/weight grading, packaging, marking, labelling, transport, etc. and also provide for the authorisation of packing centres.

(22) European Communities (Fresh Poultry Meat) Regulations, 1973

The purpose of these regulations is to implement, insofar as intra-Community trade is concerned, directive 71/118/EEC on health problems affecting trade in fresh poultry meat. The regulations provide that the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries is the body charged with the application of the directive, confer powers for this purpose on authorised officers and prescribe penalties

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The directive comes into effect on 1 July 1973 for intra-Community trade and on 15 February 1976 for the home trade. As it is expected that the directive will be amended before 1976 the present regulations apply only to the first stage i.e. intra-Community trade. The directive lays down detailed requirements regarding premises, plant, staffing and processing procedures and provides for authorisation of premises meeting these requirements. It further provides for veterinary supervision of authorised premises and for ante and post-mortem inspection of all poultry handled.

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