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Possibilities of commercial fishing, allowed annual catches and fee rates for fishing rights in 2023

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The regulation is established on the basis of § 45 subsection 1, § 46 subsection 1, § 47 subsections 1 and 2 and § 90 subsection 2 of the Fishing Act and § 11 subsection 2 point 1 of the Environmental Charges Act .
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§ 1. Scope of regulation

(1) By 2023, the regulation establishes the possibilities of professional fishing and the fee rates for fishing rights:

- 1) for fishing on the basis of a fisherman's fishing permit;
- 2) for fishing on the basis of a fishing permit of a fishing vessel in the Baltic Sea;
- 3) in a water area outside the jurisdiction of the Republic of Estonia that is not regulated by the European Union.

(2) The decree establishes the annual catch and the annual catch per fishing gear set for the Republic of Estonia on Lake Peipsi, Lämmi and Pihkva on the basis of the cooperation agreement between the Government of the Republic of Estonia and the Government of the Russian Federation on the conservation and use of fish resources of Lake Peipsi, Lämmi and Pihkva.

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(3) The decree establishes the annual catch of herring allowed to be caught in the Baltic Sea and the Livonian Gulf for the permanent residents of water areas, counties and small islands with permanent population by small islands with permanent population and by box traps in Pärnu County.

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(4) The decree establishes the annual catch of plaice and cod allowed to be caught in the Baltic Sea on the basis of a fisherman's fishing permit.

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§ 2. Fishing on the basis of a fisherman's fishing permit in the Baltic Sea

(1) Fishing opportunities and the fee rate for fishing rights per fishing gear based on a fisherman's fishing permit in the Baltic Sea by county and water area are set out in Appendix 1.

(2) The fishing squares of the water area provided in Appendix 1 correspond to the small fishing squares of the territorial waters of the Republic of Estonia provided in Appendix 6 of Regulation No. 65 "Fishing Regulations" of the Government of the Republic of June 16, 2016.

(3) Permitted annual catches of herring, sprat and cod in the Baltic Sea on the basis of a fisherman's fishing permit are set out in

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Appendix 1 .

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§ 3. Fishing in the Baltic Sea on the basis of a fishing permit for a fishing vessel

(1) In commercial fishing in the Baltic Sea on the basis of a fishing permit of a fishing vessel, the fee rate for the fishing right per ton of fish is set out in Appendix 2.

(2) Permitted fishing opportunities for herring, sprat and cod on the basis of the fishing permit of the fishing vessel are provided in

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Appendix 2 .

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§ 4. Fishing on Lake Peipsi, Lämmi and Pihkva on the basis of a fisherman's fishing permit

(1) Fishing opportunities and the rate of fishing rights fee per fishing gear on Lake Peipsi, Lake Lämmi and Pihkva on the basis of a fisherman's fishing permit are provided in Appendix 3.

(2) On the basis of the cooperation agreement between the Government of the Republic of Estonia and the Government of the Russian Federation on the conservation and use of fish resources of Lake Peipsi, Lämmi and Pihkva, the annual catch of Peipsi,

Lämmi and Pihkva is set for the Republic of Estonia and the annual catch per fishing gear by fish species is set out in Appendix 3 .
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§ 5. Fishing in other inland waters based on the fisherman's fishing permit

Fishing opportunities and the fee rate for fishing rights per fishing gear in inland water bodies, with the exception of Lake Peipsi, Lake Lämmi and Pihkva, based on the fisherman's fishing permit, are provided in Appendix 4.

§ 6. Fishing opportunities and rates for fishing rights based on the fishing permit of a fishing vessel in the sea area outside the Baltic Sea

(1) Fishing right fee rates for the fishing opportunities specified in subsection 2 and the fishing opportunities of the Teravmägi fishing area and the South-West Atlantic open sea fishing area and the fishing right fee rate per fishing day or per ton of fish based on the fishing permit of the fishing vessel are set out in Appendix 5.

(2) Fishing opportunities in water areas regulated by NAFO and NEAFC are:

- 1) fishing opportunities established by the European Union, which Estonia can use;
- 2) fishing opportunities for non-regulated species.

(3) The South-West Atlantic high seas fishing zone is the sea area outside the exclusive economic zone of the coastal states, which is determined by the following coordinates: on the coast of South America along the 10°00'S to 20°00'W and thence along the 20° meridian south to 50°00'S, then along the 50° parallel west to 50°00' W, then along the 50° meridian to the south of 60°00'S, thence along the 60° parallel to the west of 67°16'W, then due north to a point with coordinates of 56°22'S and 67°16'W, further east along 56°22'S to a point of 65°43'W, then along the line , joining the points 55°22'S and 65°43'W, 55°11'S and 66°04'W, 55°07'S and 66°25'W, then north along the coast of South America to the point of beginning.

(4) Unregulated fish species within the meaning of this section are those species whose catch volume is not limited by NAFO, NEAFC or the European Union and is not limited in the South-West Atlantic high seas fishing area.

Appendix 1 Fishing opportunities and fee rates for fishing rights in the Baltic Sea based on a fisherman's fishing permit

Appendix 1¹ Permitted annual catches in the Baltic Sea based on a fisherman's fishing permit

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Appendix 2 Fee rates for fishing rights in the Baltic Sea based on a fishing permit for a fishing vessel

Appendix 2¹ Permitted fishing opportunities in the Baltic Sea based on the fishing permit of a fishing vessel

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Appendix 3 Fishing opportunities and fee rates for fishing rights on Lake Peipsi, Lämmi and Pihkva on the basis of a fisherman's fishing permit

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Appendix 3¹ Permitted annual catches on Lake Peipsi, Lämmi and Pskov on the basis of a fisherman's fishing permit

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Appendix 4 Fishing opportunities and fishing right fee rates on other inland waters based on the fisherman's fishing permit

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Appendix 5 Fishing opportunities and fishing right fee rates in the sea area outside the Baltic Sea on the basis of a fishing permit for a fishing vessel

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