

(b) Government Decree on the Exclusive Economic Zone of Finland
2 December 2004¹

In accordance with the Government decision, made on the submission of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, the following is decreed by virtue of the Act on the Exclusive Economic Zone of Finland (1058/2004) of November 26, 2004:

Section 1

The starting point of the outer limit of the exclusive economic zone of Finland is, in the eastern Gulf of Finland, the southernmost terminal point of the state boundary between Finland and Russia (buoy N:o 16), wherefrom the outer limit of the exclusive economic zone extends to the west and southwest and passes through the following points, the latitudes and longitudes of which are given in the WGS84 coordinate system and which are connected by straight lines (loxodromes):

No.	Northern latitude	Eastern longitude
1	60°10.296'	27°10.866'
2	60°10.296'	26°57.466'
3	60°10.096'	26°54.466'

¹ Unofficial translation provided by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland. Text communicated by the Permanent Mission of Finland to the United Nations in a note verbale dated 11 January 2005.

4	60° 8.495'	26°47.466'
5	60° 6.495'	26°37.966'
6	60° 6.095'	26°32.166'
7	59°59.695'	26°20.366'

From point No 7 the outer limit of the exclusive economic zone extends in the Gulf of Finland and in the northern part of the Baltic Sea to the west and southwest and passes through the following points, the latitudes and longitudes of which are given in the WGS84 coordinate system and which are connected by straight lines (geodetic lines):

No.	Northern latitude	Eastern longitude
8	59°59.678'	26°20.147'
9	59°59.095'	26°12.666'
10	59°58.095'	26° 7.966'
11	59°51.694'	25°58.067'
12	59°52.594'	25°27.566'
13	59°53.294'	25°10.166'
14	59°52.093'	24°57.166'
15	59°50.493'	24°49.266'
16	59°44.193'	24°24.367'
17	59°37.092'	23°54.367'
18	59°31.591'	23°29.667'
19	59°31.691'	23°9.567'
20	59°24.891'	22°45.068'
21	59°22.790'	22° 9.868'
22	59°18.689'	21°46.568'
23	59°11.489'	21°11.168'
24	58°50.670'	20°28.888'

From point No 24 the outer limit of the exclusive economic zone extends in the northern part of the Baltic Sea and in the Aland Sea to the northwest and passes through the following points, the latitudes and longitudes of which are given in the WGS84 coordinate system and which are connected by straight lines (geodetic lines):

No	Northern latitude	Eastern longitude
25	58°51.776'	20°28.276'
26	59°26.701'	20° 9.200'
27	59°47.501'	19°39.497'
28	60°11.501'	19° 4.992'
29	60°14.115'	19° 6.162'

Point No 29 is the southernmost terminal point of the state boundary between Finland and Sweden to the south of the islet of Market.

In the Gulf of Bothnia, to the north of the islet of Market, from the northernmost terminal point of the state boundary between Finland and Sweden, the outer limit of the exclusive economic zone extends to the north and further to the northeast and passes through the following points, the latitudes and longitudes of which are given in the national coordinate system of Finland (KKJ) and which are connected by straight lines:

No.	Northern latitude	Eastern longitude
30	60°40.7'	19°14.1'
31	62°42.0'	19°31.5'
32	63°20.0'	20°24.0'
33	63°29.1'	20°41.8'
34	63°31.3'	20°56.4'
35	63°40.0'	21°30.0'
36	65°30.9'	24° 8.2'

From point No 36 the outer limit of the exclusive economic zone extends to the northnortheast and ends at the southernmost terminal point of the state boundary between Finland and Sweden to the south of the town of Tornio.

Section 2

An application for a Government consent referred to in sections 6 and 7 of the Act on the Exclusive Economic Zone of Finland shall detail:

- 1) The name or corporate name, municipality or place of residence or registered office, and nationality of the applicant or the applicants;
- 2) A description of the nature and objectives of the activities;
- 3) A description of the methods and means to be used;
- 4) The precise geographical areas where the activities are to be carried out; and
- 5) The date of starting and duration of the activities.

The application shall be submitted to the Ministry of Trade and Industry at least six months before the planned date of starting the activities.

Section 3

A notification referred to in section 8, paragraph 1, of the Act on the Exclusive Economic Zone of Finland shall detail:

- 1) The name or corporate name, municipality or place of residence or registered office, and nationality of the party or parties conducting research project;
- 2) The name of the sponsoring institution, its director and the person in charge of the research project;
- 3) A description of the nature and objectives of the research project;
- 4) A description of the methods and means to be used, including the name, tonnage, type and class of the vessel, and a description of the scientific equipment;
- 5) The precise geographical areas where the research project is to be conducted; and
- 6) The expected date of first appearance and final departure of the research vessels, or deployment of the equipment and its removal, as appropriate; and
- 7) The extent to which it is considered that Finnish research institutions should be able to participate or to be represented in the research.

The notification shall be given to the Ministry of Trade and Industry at least six months in advance of the expected starting date of the research project.

Section 4

This Decree shall enter into force on 1 February 2005.

Helsinki, 2 December 2004

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