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SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2013 No. 324**

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
SHELLFISH  
WATER**

**The Water Environment (Shellfish Water Protected  
Areas: Designation) (Scotland) Order 2013**

*Made* - - - - *12th November 2013*  
*Laid before the Scottish*  
*Parliament* - - - - *14th November 2013*  
*22nd December*  
*Coming into force* - - *2013*

The Scottish Ministers make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 5A(1) and (6) of the Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003<sup>(1)</sup> and of all other powers enabling them to do so.

In accordance with section 5A(2) of that Act, the Scottish Ministers consider it desirable for the areas of coastal water and transitional water designated by this Order to be so designated under section 5A(1) for the protection or development of economically significant shellfish production.

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Water Environment (Shellfish Water Protected Areas: Designation) (Scotland) Order 2013 and comes into force on 22nd December 2013.

(2) In this Order “the Act” means the Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003.

**Shellfish Water Protected Areas**

2.—(1) Each area of coastal water or transitional water identified in maps 1 to 84<sup>(2)</sup> is designated as a shellfish water protected area for the purposes of Part 1 of the Act.

(2) The maps referred to in paragraph (1) are the maps prepared for the purposes of this Order and laid before the Scottish Parliament in accordance with section 5A(6) of the Act.

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(1) [2003 asp 3](#). Section 5A was inserted by section 47 of the Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2013 ([asp 7](#)).  
(2) These maps were laid before the Scottish Parliament on 14th November 2013 under reference SG/2013/248.

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St Andrew's House, Edinburgh  
12th November 2013

*PAUL WHEELHOUSE*  
Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order designates 84 areas of coastal water or transitional water within the Scottish River Basin District as “shellfish water protected areas” for the purposes of Part 1 (protection of the water environment) of the Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003.

These areas are identified by reference to maps prepared for the purposes of this Order and laid before the Scottish Parliament in accordance with section 5A(6) of that Act. The maps have been published by the Scottish Ministers and are available on their website at [www.scotland.gov.uk](http://www.scotland.gov.uk).