

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2471/1999
of 23 November 1999**

**amending Council Regulation (EC) No 669/97 opening and providing for the administration of
Community tariff quotas for certain fish and fishery products originating in the Faroe Islands**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 669/97 of 14 April 1997 opening and providing for the administration of Community tariff quotas and ceilings, establishing Community surveillance for certain fish and fishery products originating in the Faroe Islands, defining detailed provisions for amending and adapting these measures and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1983/95 ⁽¹⁾, as amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1034/98 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Articles 5 and 6 thereof,

- (1) Whereas Decision No 1/99 of the EC/Denmark-Faroe Islands Joint Committee ⁽³⁾ replaced Protocol 1 of the Agreement concerning the tariff treatment and arrangements applicable to certain fish and fishery products released for free circulation in the Community or imported into the Faroes;
- (2) Whereas the new Protocol 1 abolished the clause on reference prices, Community tariff ceilings, and the statistical surveillance currently applied to certain fish and fishery products exempt from customs duties; whereas, therefore, Regulation (EC) No 669/97 should be amended to delete the Articles which introduced these measures, along with Annexes II and III thereto;
- (3) Whereas the duty-free tariff quota for salmon (09.0673) has been replaced by unlimited duty-free imports; whereas most-favoured-nation (MFN) status has been restored for certain products which currently enjoy relief from duty under tariff quotas, notably prepared and preserved herring and mackerel (09.0677), hake fillets (09.0683), crab (09.0685) and mussels (09.0687);

whereas tariff quotas remain for four other products; whereas Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 669/97 should be amended to take account of these changes;

- (4) Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Customs Code Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 669/97 is amended as follows:

1. In the title, the words 'and ceilings' and the words 'and establishing Community surveillance' are deleted.
2. In Article 1 'Annex I' is replaced by 'the Annex'.
3. Articles 4 and 7 are deleted.
4. Annex I is replaced by the Annex to this Regulation.
5. The quantities imported since 1 January 1999 under tariff quotas with order numbers 09.0671, 09.0675, 09.0679 and 09.0681 applicable by virtue of Regulation (EC) No 669/97 shall count towards the relevant tariff quotas listed in the Annex to this Regulation.
6. Annexes II and III are deleted.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall apply with effect from 1 August 1999.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 23 November 1999.

For the Commission

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 101, 18.4.1997, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 148, 19.5.1998, p. 6.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 178, 14.7.1999, p. 58.

ANNEX

FISHERY PRODUCTS SUBJECT TO TARIFF QUOTAS

Order number	CN code	TARIC sub-division	Description	Rate of duty	Quota volume (tonnes)
09.0671	0301		Live fish:		700
			– Other live fish:		
	ex 0301 91 90	*10	– – – Trout of the species <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	0	
	0302		Fish fresh or chilled, excluding fish fillets and other fish meat of heading No 0304:		
			– Salmonidae, excluding livers and roes:		
	ex 0302 11 90	*10	– – – Trout of the species <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	0	
	0303		Fish, frozen, excluding fish fillets or other fish meat of heading No 0304:		
	ex 0303 21 90	*10	– – – Trout of the species <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	0	
	0304		Fish fillets and other fish meat (whether or not minced), fresh, chilled or frozen:		
			– Fresh or chilled:		
			– – Fillets:		
			– – – Of freshwater fish:		
	ex 0304 10 11	*10	– – – – Trout of the species <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	0	
09.0675	0304 20		– Frozen fillets:		400
			– – Of freshwater fish:		
	ex 0304 20 11	*10	– – – – Trout of the species <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	0	
	0304 90		– Other:		
	ex 0304 90 10		– – – Of freshwater fish:		
		*11	– – – – Trout of the species <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	0	
	1604		Prepared or preserved fish; caviar and caviar substitutes prepared from fish eggs:		
			– Fish, whole or in pieces, but not minced:		
	ex 1604 11 00		– – Salmon:		
		*30	– – – Atlantic salmon (<i>Salmo salar</i>)	0	
	1604 19		– – Other		0
	ex 1604 19 10		– – – Salmonidae, other than salmon:		
		*10	– – – – Trout of the species <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	0	
	1604 20		– Other prepared or preserved fish:		
	ex 1604 20 10		– – – Salmon:		
		*30	– – – – Atlantic salmon (<i>Salmo salar</i>)	0	
	ex 1604 20 30		– – – Salmonidae, other than salmon:		
		*10	– – – – Trout of the species <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	0	

Order number	CN code	TARIC sub-division	Description	Rate of duty	Quota volume (tonnes)
09.0681	1604		Prepared or preserved fish; caviar and caviar substitutes prepared from fish eggs:		1 200
			– Fish, whole or in pieces, but not minced:		
	1604 19 92		----- Cod (<i>Gadus morhua</i> , <i>Gadus ogac</i> , <i>Gadus macrocephalus</i>)	0	
	1604 19 93		----- Coalfish (<i>Pollachius virens</i>)	0	
	1604 19 94		----- Hake (<i>Merluccius</i> spp. <i>Urophycis</i> spp.)	0	
	1604 19 95		----- Alaska pollack (<i>Theragra chalcogramma</i>) and Pollack (<i>Pollachius pollachius</i>)	0	
	1604 19 98		----- Other	0	
	1604 20		– Other prepared or preserved fish:		
	1604 20 05		-- Preparations of surimi:	0	
	ex 1604 20 90		--- Of other fish:		
		*20	---- Preserved smoked coalfish	0	
			---- Brisling or sprats (<i>Sprattus sprattus</i>):		
		*30	----- In airtight cans ⁽¹⁾	0	
		*35	----- Other	0	
		*40	---- Of mackerel (<i>Scomber australasicus</i>)	0	
		*50	---- Lamprey	0	
		*90	---- Other	0	
09.0679	1605		Crustaceans, molluscs, and other aquatic invertebrates, prepared or preserved:		2 000
	1605 20		– Shrimps and prawns:		
	1605 20 10		-- In airtight containers	0	
			-- Other:		
	1605 20 91		--- In immediate packings of a net content not exceeding 2 kg	0	
	1605 20 99		--- Other	0	
	ex 1605 40 00		– Other crustaceans:		
		*20	-- <i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	0	

(¹) 'Airtight cans' means cans which are soldered or bonded in such a manner that neither air nor germs can penetrate and which cannot be opened without sustaining damage.