

# Conservation of fishery resources: juveniles of marine organisms

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**PURPOSE** : to establish new control measures for fishing with a view to conforming to the new measures recently adopted by the ICCAT on the subject of minimum landing sizes for bluefin tuna. **COMMUNITY MEASURE** : Council Regulation 812/2000/EC amending Regulation 1626/94/EC laying down certain technical measures for the conservation of fishery resources in the Mediterranean and Regulation 850/98/EC for the conservation of fishery resources through technical measures for the protection of juveniles of marine organisms. **CONTENT** : the Council adopted a Regulation amending for the fourth time regulation 1626/94/EC laying down certain technical measures for the conservation of fishery resources in the Mediterranean and regulation 850/98/EC for the conservation of fishery resources through technical measures for the protection of juveniles of marine organisms. This Regulation amends the minimum landing sizes of bluefin tuna, set out in the two Regulations, in, respectively, the Mediterranean Sea and in regions 1 to 5 of the Atlantic and Indian Oceans in order to prohibit any landing of bluefin tuna below 3.2 kg. This Regulation also changes the dates of the existing closure for purse seine fishing. These amendments stemmed from the recommendations of the ICCAT in November 1998, which became binding on the contracting parties, of which the Community is one. **ENTRY INTO FORCE** : 21.04.2000.