Annex 1 - Sanctions

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Management Plan	Number of infringements and applicable sanction						Remarks
Article	1	2	3	4	5	6	Remarks
C2.1 200 days	€ 100/hour or 2 hours/hour	Exclusion*					The sanction is calculated according to the number of hours at sea above the allowed number of hours.
C2.2 Beam width C2.3 gear weight C3.1 Sieve net C4.1 mesh size D1.1 Data collection E2.1 ETP species	Warning	€ 1000 or 48 hours	Exclusion*				Gear related infringements: At the first warning, the member shall be given 14 days to change the gear, after which a second control shall be performed. Data collection and ETP: The member will be contacted (via text message or similar) as a reminder before an official written warning or exclusion is given.
C3.3 & C3.4 Sieving stations	Warning	Exclusion*					In this case exclusion means that the sieving station will be excluded from MSC approved landing sites.
C3.5 Sievage percentage >15%	Warning	€250 + €3/kg or 12 hours + 8 min/kg	€500 + €3/kg or 24 hours + 8 min/kg	€1000 + €3/kg or 48 hours + 8min/kg	€2000 + €3/kg or 96 hours + 8 min/kg	Exclusion*	The member will only get a sanction if it has more than one landing within the two-week period. The sanction, which relates to kg, is calculated from the kg of sievage above 15%.
C5.1 HCR	€ 250/hour or 4 hours/hour	€ 375/hour or 6 hours/hour	€ 500/hour or 8 hours/hour	Exclusion*			The sanction is calculated according to the number of hours at sea above the allowed number of hours.
C4.2 Effort reduction measure	€ 250/hour or 4 hours/hour	€ 375/hour or 6 hours/hour	Exclusion*				The sanction is calculated according to the effort (as described in C4.2) in hours (rounded up to whole hours) above the allowed number of hours or during times where effort should be fully reduced according to the chosen reduction scheme. Each period that contains noncompliance to C4.2 counts as a single infringement.
G1.1 Refused control	€ 1000 or 48 hours	Exclusion*					No warning is given.

A warning, penalty or exclusion is given to a particular member, for a particular vessel. If a member owns more than one vessel, it only applies to the vessel where the infringement has been found. If the vessel is sold (minimum half the ownership) to another fisherman or company, previous infringements shall not count against the number of infringements for that vessel.

Sunset clause: When the date of entry into force of a previous warning or penalty notice is more than 18 months past, this infringement no longer counts against the number of infringements for that vessel.

^{*} Exclusion: An exclusion from the management plan (and list of MSC-certified vessels) is valid for at least 12 months. The SC can decide on an alternative exclusion period or sanction which is proportional to the severity of the infringement. Re-inclusion after a 12-month period is only possible, when the ICB has checked the vessel again and has found no infringements.