

FISHERIES INSPECTIONS

- Chapter V of Council Regulation (EC) No. 2371/2002
- Title V-VIIIa of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 2847/93

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BY MEMBER STATES

NATIONAL INSPECTIONS

(Art. 23-24 of C.R. 2371/2002 and Art. 1,2,4,24-28h of C.R. 2847/93)

COOPERATION BETWEEN MEMBER STATES

(Art. 28(1)-(3) of C.R. 2371/2002 and Art. 34-34c of C.R. 2847/93) (COMMUNITY INSPECTIONS)

(Art. 28(4) of 6.R. 2371/2002)

II. BY EUROPEAN COMMISSION

COMMISSION INSPECTIONS

(Art. 26,27 of C.R. 2371/2002 and Art. 29-30 of C.R. 2847/93)



T. MEMBER STATE INSPECTIONS

Member States' obligation to ensure the effective control, inspection and enforcement of the CFP:

- 1. Geographical scope of Member States' responsibility:
- On their territory, in waters subject to their sovereignty and jurisdiction: on all vessels/persons/businesses;
- Outside Community waters: fishing activities of vessels flying their flag and of their nationals.



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2. Inspection and enforcement system:

- Allocating appropriate financial and human resources;
- setting up administrative and technical structure;





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- Adopting properly documented, effective, dissuasive and proportionate measures, including:
 - a) Regular spot checks and inspections;
 - b) Sighting of vessels;
 - c) Investigation, legal pursuit of infringements and sanctions (administrative and criminal follow-up);
 - d) Preventive measures (immediate measures in case of in flagrante delicto);
 - e) Measures to prevent the involvement of their nationals in fisheries activities that do not respect the applicable conservation and management measures;
 - f) Cross-checks and verification of data (validation systems).

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COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) NO. 2371/2002
Article 27



To evaluate and control the application of CFP by Member States

COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) NO. 2847/93

Article 29

To verify the application of the Control Regulation by Member States



CFP (Basic Regulation)

Control Regulation



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COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) NO. 2371/2002

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Article 27

Article 29

- Audits
- Inquiries
- Verifications
- Inspections



- Examination of documents
- On-the-spot visits
- Verifications without prior notice

. COMMISSION INSPECTIONS

Characteristics of Commission inspections:

- Inspections carried out on:
 - ☐ Fishing vessels
 - Premises of businesses
 - Other bodies related to CFP
 - ☐ (Public premises and places)
- Commission inspectors have access to all information and documents needed to exercise their responsibility
- Member States have to cooperate with the Commission and afford all assistance needed to fulfil their tasks



FINAL REMARKS

COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) NO.
 2847/93 is under revision

Any questions?

