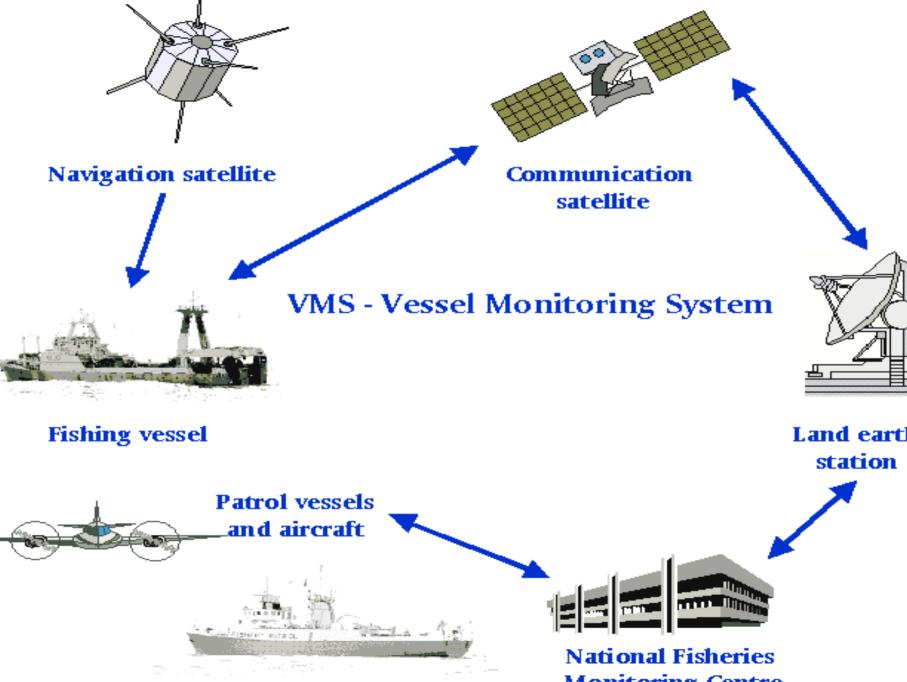
Satellite monitoring of Community fishing vessels

- Chapter V of Council Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002
- Title I of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2344/2003



- As from 1 January 2005, all fishing vessels exceeding 15 metres length overall, should be subject to a satellite based Vessel Monitoring System (VMS);
- EC regulation 2244/2003 requires Member States to adopt appropriate measures to ensure that the VMS equipment is tamperproof;

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- Requires Member States to operate Fisheries Monitoring Centres (FMCs);
- Defines what FMCs shall monitor;
- Allows for Member States to operate a joint FMC;

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Defines:

- vessel requirements;
- Characteristics of satellite tracking devices;
- Responsibilities concerning satellite tracking devices;
- Control measures to be adopted by flag Member States;
- Frequency of data transmission;

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Defines

- Data transmission requirements to the coastal Member State;
- Action to be taken in case of technical failure or non-functioning of the satellite tracking device;
- Action to be taken in case of non-receipt of data;
- Duration of retention of VMS data by Member States;

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- Access to data;
- Information concerning competent authorities;
- Half yearly reports by Member States;

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 Satellite-based monitoring of third-country fishing vessels operating in Community Waters;