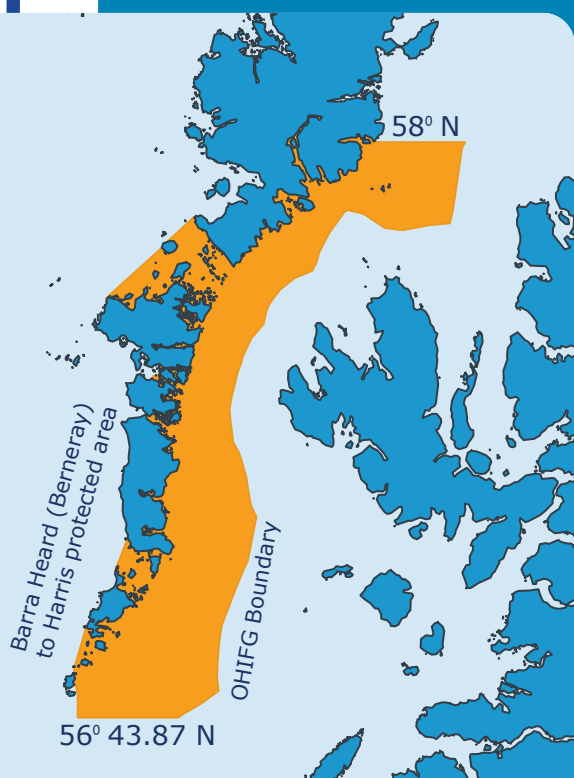


DO YOU FISH USING CREELS TO THE EAST OF THE OUTER HEBRIDES?

**The Outer Hebrides Inshore Fisheries Pilot will commence on
1st November 2020 and run until 1st November 2022**



Your community has partnered with Marine Scotland to implement a pot limitation pilot under local management, aiming to reduce catch effort and gear conflict by prohibiting creel fishing within the denoted areas, except for vessels in possession of a derogation.

The maximum number of creels that can be deployed at any one time in the pilot area will be limited to:

<8 meters	800 pots
8-10 meters	1,200 pots
10-12 meters	1,500 pots
>12 meters	1,800 pots

Soak time of creels deployed by derogated vessels within the pilot area will be limited to 3 weeks.

Derogated vessels may be required to carry remote electronic monitoring (REM) equipment at the discretion of Marine Scotland when deploying creels within the pilot area.

I fish in this area, what should I do?

If you have fished within the pilot area between 2017 and 2019 Marine Scotland will offer you a derogation allowing participation in the pilot before 1st October 2020. You should ensure you keep a paper or electronic copy of this document on board your vessel at all times when deploying creels within the pilot area.

If you do not receive a letter of eligibility by 1st October please contact your local fishery office or email: inshore@gov.scot

I would like to be able to fish in this area, what should I do?

If you are a new entrant to the fishing industry and believe you might have legitimate cause to fish with creels in this area please contact your local fishery office who will supply you with an application form.