Regulations related to amendments to the regulations related to a prohibition against harvesting snow crab

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section 47

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The following amendments are made to the Regulations of 19 December 2014 no. 1836 related to a prohibition against harvesting snow crab:

Sections 11, 36, 37 and 47 are to be added to the legal basis.

Section 3 (new) shall read as follows:

Section 3. Total quota

Notwithstanding the prohibition in Section 1, vessels that have been granted exemption from the prohibition against harvesting snow crab, can harvest and land up to 4,000 tonnes of snow crab in 2017.

Of the total quota in the first paragraph, 500 tonnes is allocated to agreements with other countries.

Section 4 (new) shall read as follows:

Section 4. Conditions for harvesting snow crab in certain periods and closed periods

In order to harvest snow crab in the period 1 June up to and including 30 September, the vessel must submit a notification to the Directorate of Fisheries about when the harvesting is scheduled to commence and no later than one week before the harvesting commences. The notification is to be submitted to the Directorate of Fisheries monitoring service by email to rojen@fiskeridir.no and chval@fiskeridir.no.

It is not permitted for there to be more than 20% of soft-shell crab in the catch when harvesting snow crab. If an individual catch contains more than 20% of soft-shell crab, the harvesting shall be stopped and the vessel shall move to another harvesting area.

In order to harvest snow crab in the period 1 June up to and including 30 September, the vessels must report in an email to fmc@fiskeridir.no about the presence of soft-shell crab in the catches.

The Directorate of Fisheries may prohibit the harvesting of snow crab in periods and areas should biological considerations so dictate.

The current Sections 3 - 6 will be the new Sections 5 - 8.

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The Regulations enters into force immediately.