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- 1. MSG 001 IND 2025 0242 SE EN 16-05-2025 SE NOTIF
- 2. Sweden
- 3A. Kommerskollegium
- 3B. Havs- och vattenmyndigheten
- 4. 2025/0242/SE C10A Fishing
- 5. The Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management's regulations amending the Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management's regulations (HVMFS 2018:11) on masters' obligations to report and notify commercial sea-fishing
- 6. Satellite-tracking device, data service delivery/subscription

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8. The main content of the draft regulations is to, first, require holders of fishing licences to have their own

subscription agreements with a data service provider procured and designated by the Agency for Marine and Water Management (hereinafter 'the Agency'), and secondly, to clarify the various stages of the approval process for the installation of satellite-tracking devices on fishing vessels.

For technical reasons, the Agency, and before that the National Board of Fisheries, has for a long time used the services of a technical supplier and this has meant that the Agency has had to handle all fishing license holders' data transfers, including as an intermediary in the allocation of costs. However, we can conclude that the technology currently in use does not meet the requirements set for fishing in certain marine areas. Since the technology has generally developed a lot in recent years, it is now considered that there are good opportunities to competitively procure the purchase of both communication services and satellite-tracking devices through procurement, and thus enable the operators, after concession procurement, to access appropriate technologies at a better price and at the same time, for those who wish, to continue to use the technology currently in use.

For fisheries, this means that subscription agreements will need to be signed with the procured data service provider. Subscription agreements must be signed irrespective of whether the holder of the fishing licence or the person responsible for fishing chooses to invest in a new satellite-tracking device or retains the one with currently equipped on the vessel. The advantage for the fishing licence holder to have a direct subscription with an external data service provider is more frequent invoicing, clearer cost records and the possibility of ordering additional services. This arrangement is also expected to lead to simplified administration at the Agency.

It is therefore proposed that the provisions clearly state that fishing licence holders must have their own subscription agreement with the data service provider(s) procured by the Agency. Within the framework of the procurement, the functional and technical requirements set out in Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 and (EU) No 404/2011 and which are also required to work with the computer systems that are to receive the information at the Agency are imposed. Chapter 2, Section 1 of Regulations HVMFS 2018:11 already states that the satellite tracking device used must be approved by the Agency. However, it is not clear what is required for a satellite tracking device to be approved. In order to make more transparent which steps are included in the approval process, we suggest that these are explicitly stated in the regulations.

The different steps in the approval process, such as the requirement for the satellite-tracking device to be installed by an authorised installer, increase operational safety and minimise risks of problems with the equipment.

- 9. The purpose of the changes that we propose is to clarify the regulatory framework, to give fishing operators the opportunity to choose between two different types of satellite tracking devices and associated satellite communication channels and to have the conditions to fish in areas where specific frequency requirements are set; to open up the costs of satellite communication to competition, which is likely to result in a more favourable price situation; and to ensure that fishing operators have an agreement directly with the data service provider, which should allow for better support and more predictability in billing. The amended agreement solution will also simplify the administration at the Agency.
- 10. Reference(s) to basic text(s): No basic texts available

- 11. No
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 13. No
 14. No
 15. Yes
- 16.

TBT aspects: No

SPS aspects: No

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