

The Integralist Party's Fisheries Policy:

The main goal is the return of our fishing waters to national control. When we achieve this then we can start British fishing in a scientific eco-friendly sustainable way. The Integralist Party wishes to restore British waters and fishing to British control by leaving the Common Fisheries Policy

Guiding principles:

Ecological sustainable use, thought the maintenance of ecological processes, preservation of biodiversity and responsible fishing.

In the event of uncertainty or risk, management will be cautious and conservative.

An ecosystem approach to fisheries management, as set out by the corporation, which mandates signatories to commit themselves to a legal agreement.

Management based on the best scientific evidence available.

Economic feasibility of fisheries and recognition of social issues and potential impacts.

In conjunction with scientists and fishermen we would introduce the most scientific and safest ways to fish. For example new measures and net design, so as to be more selective.

Requiring all commercial species fish caught, regardless of size or species, to be landed and recorded in order to compile meaningful figures to establish a Maximum Sustainable Yield and to plan accordingly in the future.

Minimum Landing Sizes for all commercial species would be established ensuring that only fish above the MLS are offered for sale.

We would re-instate our traditional, 200-miles exclusion zone, within which no other nations would be legally allowed to fish our waters. A system of moveable "No Catch Areas" will be established to allow fish to spawn, or where an area is considered to be over fished to allow fish to recover.

Banning all forms of "industrial" fishing and slung net pair trawling. We would also ban bottom trawling. Bottom trawling destroys the entire seafloor ecosystems.

We would implement the building of new scientific fish farms.

We would introduce the creation of Fisheries Training Schools.

The Integralist Party will fully support management-related research. This research will provide an important basis for setting quotas for the different types of fish and for questions related to food safety sustainability and nutrition. Industry-related research in the fishing and aquaculture sector will also be conducted at a high. Increasingly more knowledge and expertise is required in the marine sector an Intergralists government would provide financial support to this area of research. Increased knowledge and expertise will contribute to improved competitive abilities and new employment in existing and new industries. There are many opportunities linked to the better use of by-products, biotechnology and marine resources that have not yet been made use of. The Integralist Party's focus on the marine industry and development is through research, education and is long-term. We would allocate funds each year from the British national budget to marine research via its corporation. The objective of marine research and innovation programme is to ensure that the British Agricultural Corporation, to an even greater extent, will be able to offer the kind of seafood the markets demand in a sustainable productive way why protecting the ecosystem.