S.I. No. 2 of 2007

Cockle (Fisheries Management and Conservation) Regulations, 2007

I, John Browne, Minister of State at the Department of Communications, Marine and Natural Resources, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by Section 15 of the Sea-Fisheries and Maritime Jurisdiction Act 2006 (No. 8 of 2006), and the Marine (Delegation of Ministerial Functions) (No.2) Order 2006 (No.167 of 2006), hereby make the following regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Cockle (Fisheries Management and Conservation) Regulations 2007

2. These Regulations shall come into operation on 6th January 2007 and shall cease to have effect from 31st May 2007

3. In these Regulations – "Cockle" means *Cerastoderma edule*

4. Neither an Irish sea fishing boat nor a person on board an Irish sea fishing boat, nor any person using any other harvesting method shall fish or attempt to fish, have on board, retain in their possession, land or attempt to land cockles harvested by any means for sale in the following geographical area:

within (west of) the geographical area up to the high water mark bounded by a straight line between the following points

- From Ballagan Point, latitude 53° 59' 59" N, longitude 6° 6' 13" W
- To Dunany Point, latitude 53° 51' 38" N, longitude 6° 14' 17" W

GIVEN under my hand
5th January 2007

John Browne

Minister of State at the Department of Communications, Marine and Natural Resources.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.)

The effect of these Regulations is to provide for a ban on the taking of Cockles by fishing boats or harvesting by any other means except by hand raking for private consumption (i.e. non commercial sale) in the specified area off the Louth coast from the date of effect of these regulations until the 31st May 2007 or until revoked by other regulations, whichever occurs first.

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