

NWSFC - LIMITS OF THE DISTRICT

As defined by the North Western and North Wales Sea Fisheries District Order, 1999. S.I. 1999 No. 1043.

"Sea Fisheries District

1. There shall continue to be sea fisheries district comprising so much of the sea within the national waters of the United Kingdom adjacent to England and Wales and so much of the sea within six nautical miles of the baselines (as they existed at 25th January 1983 in accordance with the Territorial Waters Order in Council 1964(c), as amended by the Territorial Waters (Amendment) Order in Council 1979(d) from which the breadth of the territorial sea of the United Kingdom adjacent to England and Wales is measured, with the adjoining coast, as lies within the following limits, namely:-on the north, a line drawn true south-west from the seaward extremity of Haverigg Point in the county of Cumbria (being the southern boundary of the Cumbria Sea Fisheries District); and, on the south, a line drawn true north-west from the northern extremity of Cemaes Head in the county of Ceredigion (being the northern boundary of the South Wales Sea Fisheries District).

The sea fisheries district shall not extend above a line drawn at or near the mouth of every river or stream flowing into the sea or into any estuary, or of the estuaries, within the limits of the said district, as follows:-

Lines drawn along the seaward side of the railway (1) from Green Road Station to Kirkby-in-Furness Station; (2) from the road bridge over the railway near Plumpton Hall to Cark and Cartmel Station; and (3) from Grange Station to Arnside Station; such lines being at or near the mouths of the rivers Duddon, Leven, Winster, Kent, and Bela, and of other rivers or streams flowing into the estuaries above such lines respectively;

A line drawn across the river Keer, along the seaward side of the downstream railway bridge at Carnforth;

A line drawn across the river Lune, along the seaward side of Skerton Bridge carrying the A6 road at Lancaster;

A line drawn across the river Cocker, along the seaward side of Cocker bridge carrying the A588 road;

A line drawn across the river Wyre, along the seaward side of Shard toll bridge carrying the A588 road;

A line drawn across the river Asland or Douglas, between the tower of All Saints Church, Becconsall, and the tower of St. Michael's Church, Much Hoole;

A line drawn across the river Mersey, along the seaward side of the railway bridge at Runcorn;

A line drawn across the river Weaver, along the seaward side of the railway bridge at Frodsham;

A line drawn across the river Dee (Dyfrdwy) from Hilbre Point to the north-western extremity of Hilbre Island in the Metropolitan Borough of Wirral, thence to the disused lighthouse at the Point of Ayr, in the county of Flintshire;

A line drawn across every river or stream not herein before specified, such line being in continuation of the coast at mean high water springs.

In respect of the rivers, streams and estuaries above the lines beyond which the sea fisheries district does not extend, the Environment Agency shall within its area have the powers of a local fisheries committee.

2. The Sea Fisheries District shall continue to be called the "North Western Sea Fisheries District".