**Existing measures for recreational fishing for crabs and lobsters in Northern Ireland**

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| **Unlicensed (hobby) fishing** | |
| Maximum no. of pots | 5 per day |
| Daily catch limits | 1 lobster and 5 crabs |
| **Other conservation measures** | |
| Brown Crab | Minimum size 150mm |
| Velvet Crab | Minimum size 65mm |
| Spider Crab | Minimum size 130mm |
| Lobster | Minimum size 87mm |
| Berried Brown Crab | Prohibition on landing etc. |
| Removal of eggs from berried brown crab | Prohibition |
| Retaining berried brown crab in a stock cage | Prohibition |
| Soft-shelled brown crab | Prohibition on landing, possession, sale etc. |
| Detached claws brown crab | Prohibition on landing |
| V-notched lobster | Prohibition on landing etc. |
| Lobster with mutilated tails | Prohibition on landing etc. |

Contravention of these measures are considered an offence under Part 8 of the Fisheries Act (Northern Ireland) 1966.

Any person guilty of such an offence shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine.