Statutory guidance: Pelagic landing obligation 2018: Guidance

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The landing obligation, also called the discard ban, means that you have to land all the fish that you catch if they:

- are pelagic quota species, including blue whiting, boarfish, herring, horse mackerel, mackerel, Norway pout, sandeel and sprat
- include by-catch of quota species, such as cod and whiting
- include any quota fish that are below the minimum size