

Statutory guidance: The Margate and Long Sands European Marine Site (Specified Areas) Bottom Towed Fishing Gear Byelaw

The byelaw was made by the Marine Management Organisation on 2 August 2017, confirmed by the Secretary of State on 1 February 2018 and will come in to force on 1 March 2018.

The purpose of the byelaw is to protect two specified areas of sandbank in Margate and Long Sands Special Area of conservation from the impacts of bottom towed fishing gear.

More information on the site from [Joint Nature Conservation Committee](#).

A signed copy of the byelaw will be provided for inspection by emailing conservation@marinemanagement.org.uk