

1.5. Are there any mitigation measures in place?

What mitigation measures (including alternative gear) are being used and where? (acoustic deterrent devices, seasonal closures, gear modifications, etc.)

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Mitigation approach	Region (Select from drop-down)	Year implemented	Has the mitigation measure been effective?	
			Yes/No	Comments
<p>In the North Sea, within the whale sanctuary of the National Park Schleswig-Holstein Wadden Sea, all types of gillnet fishing are prohibited within the three nautical mile zone (according to the Landesverordnung zur Änderung der Landesverordnung über die Ausübung der Fischerei in den Küstengewässern vom 4.Dezember 2013).</p> <p>Beyond this zone, German fishermen are prohibited from using gillnets exceeding a certain height and mesh size (nets with a stretched span between the bottom line and the float line of more than 1.30 metres and a mesh size of more than 150 mm).</p>	OII Southern North Sea			No assessment so far
<p>Natura 2000 sites EEZ North Sea: DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) .../... of 8.12.2022 amending Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/118 as regards conservation measures in Sylter Aussenriff, Borkum-Riffgrund, Doggerbank and Östliche Deutsche Bucht, and in Klaverbank, Friese Front and Centrale Oestergronden</p>	OII Southern North Sea	2023		No assessment so far
<p>Natura 2000 sites EEZ Baltic Sea: COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) 2022/303 of 15 December 2021 amending Regulation (EU) 2019/1241 as regards measures to reduce incidental catches of the resident population of the Baltic Proper harbour porpoise (<i>Phocoena phocoena</i>) in the Baltic Sea</p>	H Arkona Basin	2023		No assessment so far