Law on sea fisheries in the territorial sea

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This law stipulates which activities are covered by 'fishing activities', i.e. the catching or the attempt to catch fish, molluscs and crustaceans, as well as the destruction or removal of spawn, brood and spat. Moreover, this law determines the regulations fishing vessels need to respect in the territorial sea. The persons that are responsible for the control of this regulation are also specified. Possible sanctions in case of infringement are: confiscating the fishing products or the fishing gear, or immobilising the ship. The fishing ban for foreign fishing vessels is discussed (without prejudice to the rights of foreign ships pursuant to the 'Verdrag tot oprichting van de EU en het internationaal recht'). Finally, the sanctions in case of infringements of this law are stipulated.