

12. CLAIMS TO MARITIME JURISDICTION

Source: UKHO.

Former Notice 12/23 is cancelled. Additions and amendments to the former Notice are indicated by sidelines.

- The following list shows the breadth of sea (measured from the appropriate baselines) claimed respectively as territorial sea (TS), contiguous zone (CZ), exclusive economic zone (EEZ), and fishery zone (FZ) where no EEZ is claimed, as being under maritime jurisdiction. The information is compiled from various, sometimes unofficial sources; the absence of a limit from this list indicates that the information is not held.
- The claims are published for information only. His Majesty's Government does not recognise claims to territorial seas exceeding twelve nautical miles, to contiguous zones exceeding twenty four nautical miles or to exclusive economic zones and fisheries zones exceeding two hundred nautical miles.

<i>Country/Territory</i>	<i>TS</i>	<i>CZ</i>	<i>EEZ</i>	<i>FZ</i>
Albania ¹	12 [†]	—	—	—
Algeria ¹	12 [†]	24	200 ³	52 ²⁰
Angola ¹	12	24	200	—
Antigua and Barbuda ²	12 [†]	24	200	—
Argentina ¹	12	24	200	—
Australia ¹	12 ^{10, 22}	24	200	—
Bahamas ²	12	—	200	—
Bahrain	12	24	—	—
Bangladesh ¹	12 [†]	18	200	—
Barbados	12 [†]	—	200	—
Belgium	12	24	200 ¹⁹	—
Belize ¹	12	—	200	—
Benin	200	—	—	200
Bosnia and Herzegovina ³⁰	—	—	—	—
Brazil ¹	12	24	200	—
Brunei	12	—	200	200
Bulgaria ¹	12	24	200	—
Cambodia ¹	12 [†]	24	200	—
Cameroon ¹	12	24	—	—
Canada ¹	12	24	200	—
Cape Verde Islands ²	12 [†]	24	200	—
Chile ¹	12	24	200	—
China, Peoples' Republic ¹	12 [†]	24	200	—
Colombia ^{1*}	12	—	200	—
Comoros ²	12	—	200	—
Congo, Democratic Republic (formerly Kinshasa or Zaire)	12 [†]	24 ¹⁹	200 ^{19, 28}	—
Congo, Republic (formerly Brazzaville)	12 [†]	24	200	—
Cook Islands	12	—	200 ¹⁹	—
Costa Rica ¹	12	—	200	—
Côte d'Ivoire	12	24	200	—
Croatia ¹	12 [†]	—	—	200 ^{25, 27}
Cuba ¹	12	24	200	—
Cyprus ¹	12	24	200	—
Denmark ¹	12 ^{†26}	24	200	200
Greenland ¹	3	—	200	200
Færoe Islands ¹	12	—	—	200
Djibouti ¹	12 ²⁸	24 ²⁸	200 ²⁸	—
Dominica	12	24	200	—
Dominican Republic ²	12	24	200 ¹⁹	—
Ecuador ¹	12	—	200	—
Egypt ¹	12 [†]	24	200	—
El Salvador*	12	24	200	—

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Equatorial Guinea	12	—	200	—
Eritrea ^{1*}	12 ¹¹	—	—	—
Estonia ¹	12 ^{†19}	—	200 ¹⁸	—
Fiji ²	12	—	200	—
Finland ¹	12 ^{†12, 19}	14	200 ¹⁹	—
France ¹	12	24	200 ¹³	12 ¹³
French Antarctica	12	—	—	—
Gabon ¹	12	24	200	—
Gambia	12	18	—	200
Georgia	12	24	200 ²⁸	—
Germany ¹	12 ^{8, 26}	—	200 ¹⁹	—
Ghana	12	24	200	—
Greece	6/12 ^{29, 15}	—	—	—
Grenada ²	12 [†]	24	200	—
Guatemala	12	—	200	—
Guinea	12 ¹⁹	24 ¹⁹	200 ¹⁹	—
Guinea Bissau ¹	12	—	200	—
Guyana	12 [†]	24	200	200
Haiti ¹	12	24	200	—
Honduras ¹	12	24	200	—
Iceland ¹	12	—	200	—
India ¹	12 [†]	24	200	—
Indonesia ²	12	—	200	—
Iran ^{1*}	12 [†]	24	200 ²⁸	—
Iraq	12	—	—	—
Ireland ¹	12	24	200 ¹⁹	200
Israel*	12 ¹⁶	—	200 ²⁸	—
Italy ¹	12	—	200 ³¹	—
Jamaica ²	12	24	200	—
Japan ¹	12 ²¹	24	200	—
Jordan	3	—	—	—
Kenya ¹	12	—	200 ³	—
Kiribati ²	12	24	200	—
Korea, Democratic People's Republic (North)*	12 [†]	50 ²³	200	—
Korea, Republic of (South) ¹	12 ^{†5}	24	200	—
Kuwait	12	24 ²⁸	200 ²⁸	—
Latvia	12	—	200 ¹⁹	—
Lebanon	12	—	200 ¹⁹	—
Liberia	12	24	200	—
Libya ^{1, 4}	12 [†]	—	200	74 ¹⁹
Lithuania	12 ³	24 ³	200 ^{3, 28}	—
Madagascar ¹	12	24	200	—
Malaysia ¹	12	—	200	—
Maldives ²	12 [†]	24	200	—
Malta ¹	12 [†]	24	—	25
Marshall Islands ²	12 ³	24 ³	200 ³	—
Mauritania ¹	12	24	200	—
Mauritius ¹	12 [†]	24	200	—
Mexico ¹	12 ²⁸	24 ²⁸	200 ²⁸	—
Micronesia, Federated States of	12	24	200	—
Monaco ³	12	—	—	12

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Montenegro ¹	12 [†]	—	—	12
Morocco ¹	12	24	200	—
Mozambique ¹	12	24	200	—
Myanmar (Burma ¹)	12 [†]	24	200	—
Namibia	12	24	200	—
Nauru	12 ¹⁹	24 ¹⁹	200 ¹⁹	—
Netherlands	12	24	200 ¹⁹	—
Aruba, Curacao, Sint Maarten	12	24	200 ²⁸	—
Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba	12	24	200 ²⁸	—
New Zealand	12	24	200	—
Ross Dependency	12	—	—	—
Tokelau	12	—	200	—
Nicaragua ¹	12	24	200	—
Nigeria	12	—	200	—
Niue	12 ¹⁹	24 ¹⁹	200 ¹⁹	—
Norway ¹	12	24	200	—
Bouvetøya	12	—	200	—
Jan Mayen ¹	12	—	200	—
Svalbard ¹	12	—	200	—
Oman ¹	12 [†]	24	200	—
Pakistan ¹	12 [†]	24	200	—
Palau (Belau)	12	24	200	—
Panama	12	24	200	—
Papua New Guinea ²	12 ¹⁴	—	—	200
Peru ^{1*}	200	—	—	200
Philippines ²	12	—	200	—
Poland	12	—	200 ²⁸	—
Portugal ¹	12	24	200	—
Qatar	12	24	— ²⁸	—
Romania ¹	12 [†]	24	200	—
Russia ¹	12	24	200	—
St. Kitts–Nevis	12	24	200	—
St. Lucia	12	24	200	—
St. Vincent and the Grenadines ²	12 [†]	24	200	—
Samoa	12 ¹⁹	24 ¹⁹	200	—
São Tomé and Príncipe ²	12	—	200 ¹⁹	—
Saudi Arabia ¹	12	24	200 ⁷	—
Senegal ¹	12	24	200	200
Seychelles ²	12 [†]	24	200	—
Sierra Leone	12 [†]	24	200	—
Singapore	12 ⁷	—	200 ⁷	—
Slovenia	12 [†]	—	—	— ³¹
Solomon Islands ²	12	—	200	—
Somalia	12 [†]	—	200 ¹⁹	—
South Africa ¹	12	24	200	—
Spain ¹	12	24	200 ^{13, 28}	—
Sri Lanka ¹	12 [†]	24	200	—
Sudan ¹	12 [†]	18	—	—
Suriname	12	—	200	—
Sweden ¹	12 ²⁶	—	200 ¹⁹	—
Syria ^{1*}	12 [†]	24	200	—

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Taiwan ¹	12 [†]	24	200	—
Tanzania ¹	12	—	200	—
Thailand ¹	12	24	200	—
Timor-Leste	12	24	200	—
Togo	12	—	200	—
Tonga	12	—	200	—
Trinidad and Tobago ²	12	24	200	—
Tunisia ¹	12	24	200 ⁷	—
Turkey ^{1*}	12 ⁶	—	200 ¹⁷	—
Tuvalu ²	12	24	200	—
UAE ^{1*}	12 [†]	24	200	—
UK ¹	12	—	200	—
Anguilla	12	—	—	200
Ascension	12	—	200	—
Bailiwick of Guernsey	12	—	—	12
Bailiwick of Jersey	12	—	—	3 ²⁴
Bermuda	12	—	200	—
British Antarctic Territory	3	—	—	3
British Indian Ocean Territory	3	—	—	200 ³²
British Virgin Islands	12	—	—	200
Cayman Islands	12	—	—	200
Cyprus (Sovereign Base Areas)	3	—	—	3
Falkland Islands ¹	12	—	—	200 ⁹
Gibraltar	3	—	—	3
Isle of Man	12	—	—	12
Montserrat	3	—	—	200
Pitcairn	3	—	200	—
St. Helena	12	—	200	—
South Georgia ¹	12	—	200 ³³	—
South Sandwich Islands	12	—	200 ³³	—
Tristan da Cunha	12	—	200	—
Turks and Caicos Islands ¹	12	—	—	200
Ukraine ¹	12	—	200	—
Uruguay ¹	12	24	200	—
USA [*]	12	24	200	—
Vanuatu ²	12	24	200	—
Venezuela ^{1*}	12	15	200	—
Vietnam ¹	12 [†]	24	200	—
Yemen ¹	12 [†]	24	200	—

Notes:

Limits of dependent territories have not been listed unless they differ from those of the metropolitan state.

1. employs straight baseline systems along all or a part of the coast.
2. claims archipelagic status.
3. claims waters within limits defined by geographic co-ordinates.
4. claims all water south of 32° 30' N in the Gulf of Sirte as internal waters.
5. claims 3M in Korea Strait.
6. claims 6M in Aegean Sea.
7. to boundaries provided for in international law.
8. special claim extends limit to include the deep water anchorage west of Helgoland.
9. 150M in west with a rhumb line between 52° 30' 00S, 63° 19' 25W and 54° 08' 68S, 60° 00' 00W.
10. certain islands in the Torres Strait retain 3M TS limit.
11. jurisdiction claimed to the limit of the pearl and sedentary fishery grounds.

12. Bogskar has a 3M territorial sea limit.
13. In the Mediterranean, France claims a 12M fishery limit and a 200M Ecological Protection Zone to defined co-ordinates. Spain claims a fishery limit to median lines in the Mediterranean. Spain claims an EEZ in the Mediterranean to defined co-ordinates.
14. reduced to 3M in the Torres Strait area.
15. Territorial Sea 12M off Ionian Coasts.
16. reduced to 3M off Gaza.
17. only claims an EEZ in the Black Sea.
18. TS limit reduced in parts of the Gulf of Finland to preserve a high seas corridor.
19. to defined co-ordinates.
20. reduced to 32M west of the longitude of Ras Ténés.
21. TS limits reduced in the following international straits to retain a high seas corridor: La Perouse (Soya), Tsugaru, Osumi, Eastern and Western Channels, and Tsushima.
22. special claim extends limit to include a roadstead off the port of Karumba in the Gulf of Carpentaria.
23. military zone in the Sea of Japan and to EEZ limit in the Yellow Sea.
24. Exclusive Fisheries Zone. Special regime in the Bay of Granville beyond 3M.
25. the outer limit is claimed to that limit permitted by general international law.
26. TS limits reduced in the following areas to retain a high seas corridor: Kattegat, northern approaches to The Sound, southern approaches to The Sound, Samsø Bælt, Kadet Renden, Fehmarn Belt, Kieler Bucht, and Bornholmstgat.
27. Ecological and Fisheries Protection Zone.
28. to median lines or boundaries.
29. 10M territorial airspace applies to civil aviation.
30. TS enclave defined by median lines with Croatia.
31. claims an ecological protection zone to agreed boundaries or median lines.
32. in addition claims 200M Environment Protection and Preservation Zone.
33. the 200M zone is claimed as a Maritime Zone rather than specifically as an EEZ.

* indicates a state which has NOT ratified or acceded to the *UN Convention on the Law of the Sea* (UNCLOS), which came into force on 16 November 1994.

† indicates a state which requires prior permission or notification for entry of foreign warships into the territorial sea. The United Kingdom government does not recognise this requirement.