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Iceland's most recent action altering their system of straight baselines was the issuance on March 11, 1961, of the Regulations Concerning the Fishery Jurisdiction of Iceland. The Regulations were promulgated on April 22, 1961.

These 1961 Regulations alter the straight baselines of the preceding decrees of 1952 and 1958. An exchange of notes between Iceland and the United Kingdom, on March 11, 1961, specified the changes that were to be made to the 1958 decree and incorporated in the new 1961 declaration.

Iceland claims a four nautical-mile territorial sea and a 12 nautical mile fishery limit, as measured from the straight baselines. Iceland, although a signatory, is not a party to any of the four 1958 Geneva conventions on the law of the sea. These conventions concern the territorial sea and contiguous zone, the high seas, the continental shelf, and fishing and conservation of living resources of the high seas.

The pertinent articles of the Regulations concerning the Fishery Jurisdiction of Iceland are as follows:

Article 1

The fishery jurisdiction of Iceland shall be delimited 12 nautical miles outside base lines drawn between the following points:

	66° 27'4 N. Lat.	22° 24'5 W. Long.
1. Horn	66° 27'4	22° 24'5
2. Asbudarrif	66° 08'1	20° 11'2
3. Siglunes	66° 11'9	18° 50'1
4. Flatey	66° 10'3	17° 50'5
5. Lagey	66° 17'8	17° 07'0
6. Raudinupur	66° 30'7	16° 32'5
7. Rifstangi	66° 32'3	16° 11'9
8. Hraunhafnartangi	66° 32'3	16° 01'6
9. Langanes	66° 22'6	14° 32'0
10. Glettinganes	65° 30'6	13° 36'4
11. Nordfjardarhorn	65° 10'0	13° 31'0
12. Gerpir	65° 04'7	13° 29'8
13. Holmur	64° 58'9	13° 30'7
14. Setusker	64° 57'7	13° 31'6
15. Thursaker	64° 54'1	13° 36'9
16. Ystibodhi	64° 35'2	14° 01'6
17. Selsker	64° 32'8	14° 07'1
18. Hvitingar	64° 23'8	14° 28'1
19. Stokkenes	64° 14'1	14° 58'5
20. Hrollaugseyjar	64° 01'7	15° 58'8
21. Tvisker	63° 55'6	16° 11'4
22. Ingolfshofdi	63° 47'8	16° 38'6
23. Hvalsiki	63° 44'1	17° 33'7
24. Medallandssandur I	63° 32'4	17° 56'0
25. Medallandssandur II	63° 30'6	18° 00'0
26. Myrnatangi	63° 27'4	18° 12'0
27. Kotlutangi	63° 23'4	18° 43'0
28. Lundadrangur	63° 23'5	19° 07'6
29. Geirfuglasker	63° 19'0	20° 30'1
30. Eldeyjarangur	63° 43'8	22° 59'6
31. Geirfugladrangur	63° 40'6	23° 17'3
32. Skalasnagi	64° 51'3	24° 02'6
33. Bjargtanger	65° 32'2	24° 32'3
34. Kopanes	65° 48'3	24° 06'3

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