

PETITION AGAINST CRUELTY AND EXPLOITATION OF SHELLFISH



We, the undersigned, call on the U.K. Government to ban the exploitation of shellfish for human consumption and to press for this at E.C. level. Shellfish are commonly boiled alive or, for some crab and lobster dishes, cut up alive. Cruelty is also frequent in trapping, transport and storage. Traps lost in storms keep their victims trapped indefinitely. Overcrowded containers and holding tanks cause stress and casualties. There is scientific evidence that crabs and lobsters experience pain and distress. Though the situation is less clear with smaller shellfish, we believe that the risk of suffering cannot be ruled out and that all should be given the benefit of the doubt.

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Shellfish Network is an entirely voluntary organisation campaigning against the cruelty & exploitation of Shellfish. Are aims are:

1. To increase public awareness of the fact that shellfish are living creatures capable of experiencing pain, stress & pleasure.
2. Stop the cruelty involved in, and eventually to bring an end to, the slaughter of shellfish for human consumption and other abuses.

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