

DECREE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC September 26, 2025, No. 193

Regulation establishing an exclusive economic zone
comprising part of the waters surrounding the national territorial sea,
pursuant to Article 1, paragraph 2, of Law No. 91 of June 14,
2021. (25G00197)

(Official Gazette No. 294 of 19 December 2025)

Effective as of: 3 January 2026

THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC

Having regard to Article 87 of the Constitution;

Having regard to Law No. 400 of August 23, 1988, containing "Regulation of Government Activities and Functioning of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers" and, in particular, Article 17, paragraph 1;

Having regard to Law No. 20 of January 14, 1994, containing "Provisions on the jurisdiction and review of the Court of Auditors" and, in particular, Article 3, paragraph 1, letter c);

Having regard to Law No. 91 of June 14, 2021, marking the "Establishment of an exclusive economic zone beyond the outer limit of the territorial sea," and in particular Article 1, paragraph 2;

Having regard to Presidential Decree No. 816 of April 26, 1977, containing «Regulations relating to the application of Law No. 1658 of December 8, 1961, which authorized the accession to the Convention on the Territorial Sea and the Contiguous Zone, adopted in Geneva on April 29, 1958, and which implemented it»;

Having regard to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, with annexes and final act, adopted in Montego Bay on December 10, 1982, ratified and made enforceable pursuant to Law No. 689 of December 2, 1994, and in particular Part V;

Having regard to the Convention between the Government of the Italian Republic and the Government of the French Republic concerning the delimitation of maritime borders in the area of the Strait of Bonifacio, adopted in Paris on November 28, 1986, ratified and made enforceable pursuant to Law No. 59 of February 11, 1989;

Having regard to the Agreement between the Italian Republic and the Hellenic Republic on the delimitation of their respective maritime zones, adopted in Athens on June 9, 2020, ratified and made enforceable pursuant to Law No. 93 of June 1, 2021;

Having regard to the Agreement between the Italian Republic and the Republic of Croatia on the delimitation of exclusive economic zones, adopted in Rome on May 24, 2022, ratified and made enforceable pursuant to Law No. 62 of May 15, 2023;

Having regard to the first Maritime Plan approved by the Interministerial Committee for Sea Policies by resolution of July 31, 2023, and published in the Official Gazette No. 248 of October 23, 2023;

Considering the need to not jeopardize potential agreements with adjacent or opposite States pending the pactional definition of the delimitation of the respective exclusive economic zones;

Considering the opportunity to proceed, upon first application of Law No. 91 of June 14, 2021, with the establishment and delimitation of the exclusive economic zone limited to the Tyrrhenian Sea, the Ionian Sea and part of the Adriatic Sea, without prejudice for additional provisions on the delimitation of the exclusive economic zone in the areas surrounding the remaining portions of the national territorial sea;

Having regard to the resolution of the Interministerial Committee for Maritime Policy (CIPOM), adopted during its meeting of June 25, 2025;

Having regard to the preliminary resolution of the Council of Ministers, adopted at its meeting of July 22, 2025;

Having heard the opinion of the Council of State, expressed by the advisory section for regulatory acts during the meeting of September 9, 2025;

Having regard to the resolution of the Council of Ministers, adopted in the session of September 18, 2025;

Upon proposal of the Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation;

Issues the following regulation:

Art. 1

Establishment of an exclusive economic zone in part of the waters surrounding the Italian territorial sea

1. Pursuant to Law No. 91 of June 14, 2021, an exclusive economic zone is established in the waters surrounding the Italian territorial sea delimited in accordance with Annex 1.

Art. 2

Safeguard clause

1. The establishment and delimitation of the exclusive economic zone in the waters surrounding the national territorial sea other than those referred to in Article 1 shall be carried out by means of one or more subsequent measures, including agreements with the States concerned pursuant to Article 74 of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, with annexes and final act, adopted in Montego Bay on December 10, 1982, ratified and made enforceable pursuant to Law No. 689 of December 2, 1994.

Art.3

Final provisions and financial invariance clause

1. This decree and its annex shall be notified to States whose territory is adjacent or opposite to the territory of Italy and shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations pursuant to Article 75, paragraph 2, of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

2. The implementation of this decree shall not result in new or increased burdens on public finances. The administrations concerned shall implement this decree using the financial, instrumental, and human resources available under current legislation. This decree, bearing the seal of the State, shall be included in the Official Collection of Regulatory Acts of the Italian Republic. It is the duty of all concerned to comply with it and ensure compliance.

Issued in Rome, on September 26, 2025

SERGIO MATTARELLA, President of the Italian Republic

Giorgia Meloni, President of the Council of Ministers

Antonio Tajani, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation

Approved by the Keeper of the Seals: Nordio

Registered with the Court of Auditors on December 15, 2025

Office for the review of acts of the Office of the President of the Council of Ministers, the Ministry of Justice and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, no. 3233

Annex 1

Art. 1.

Exclusive economic zone in the central-southern Tyrrhenian Sea

1. The exclusive economic zone in the central-southern Tyrrhenian Sea is the marine area enclosed by the perimeter determined by the following points and lines (coordinates in WGS84):

- a) point 01, with coordinates 41° 24' 17.0" N - 009° 38' 16.28" E;
- b) the rhumb line connecting point 01 to point 02;
- c) point 02, with coordinates 41° 24' 17.0" N - 012° 20' 54.43" E;
- d) the outer limit of national territorial waters from point 02 to point 03;
- e) point 03, with coordinates 38° 06' 41.88" N - 011° 49' 33.07" E;
- f) the rhumb line connecting point 03 to point 04;
- g) point 04, with coordinates 38° 58' 50.37" N - 009° 46' 26.86" E;
- h) the outer limit of national territorial waters from point 04 to point 01.

2. The area referred to in paragraph 1 excludes the territorial waters surrounding the island of Ustica as determined by the provisions in force concerning the delimitation of territorial waters.

Art.2

Exclusive economic zone in the Ionian Sea

1. The exclusive economic zone in the Ionian Sea is the marine area enclosed by the perimeter determined by the following points and lines (coordinates in WGS84):

- a) point 05, with coordinates 36° 33' 27.94" N - 015° 20' 48.66" E;
- b) the rhumb line connecting point 05 to point 06;
- c) point 06, with coordinates 35° 34' 08.15" N - 018° 20' 39.39" E;
- d) from point 06 to point 07, the boundary of the exclusive economic zone coincides with the maximum limit of the maritime zone over which Italy has the right to exercise its sovereign rights and jurisdiction pursuant to Article 1, paragraphs 1 and 2, of the Agreement between the Italian Republic and the Hellenic Republic on the delimitation of their respective maritime zones, adopted in Athens on June 9, 2020, ratified and made effective pursuant to Law No. 93 of June 1, 2021;
- e) point 07, with coordinates 39° 57' 38.46" N - 018° 57' 27.29" E;
- f) the rhumb line connecting point 07 to point 08;
- g) point 08, with coordinates 39° 59' 38.34" N - 018° 44' 41.08" E;
- h) the outer limit of national territorial waters from point 08 to point 05.

Art. 3.

Exclusive economic zone in the northern and central-southern Adriatic Sea

1. The exclusive economic zone in the northern and central-southern Adriatic Sea is the marine area enclosed by the perimeter determined by the following points and lines (coordinates in WGS84):
- a) point 09, with coordinates 41° 05' 29.65" N - 017° 29' 51.94" E;
 - b) the rhumb line connecting point 09 to point 10;
 - c) point 10, with coordinates 41° 38' 20.0" N - 017° 59' 51.0" E;
 - d) from point 10 to point 11, the limit of the exclusive economic zone coincides with the maximum limit of the maritime zone over which Italy has the right to exercise its sovereign rights and jurisdiction pursuant to Article 1, paragraphs 1 and 2, of the Agreement between the Italian Republic and the Republic of Croatia on the delimitation of exclusive economic zones, adopted in Rome on May 24, 2022, ratified and made enforceable pursuant to Law No. 62 of May 15, 2023;
 - e) point 11, with coordinates 45° 26' 27.13" N - 013° 11' 52.6" E;
 - f) the outer limit of national territorial waters from point 11 to point 09.