

## POLAND

### SUMMARY OF CLAIMS

TYPE	DATE	SOURCE	LIMITS	NOTES
TERRITORIAL SEA	Mar 91	Maritime Areas Act	12nm	
ARCHIPELAGIC, STRAIGHT BASELINES, & HISTORIC CLAIMS	Mar 91	Maritime Areas Act		Reiterates historic waters claim to Bay of Gdansk (first made in 1956).
CONTINENTAL SHELF	Dec 77	Act No. 37	Not specific	
FISHING ZONE/EEZ	Jul 91	Maritime Areas & Maritime Administration Act	200nm	Established EEZ.
MARITIME BOUNDARIES	Jul 85	Agreement		Established boundaries of territorial sea, EEZ, fishing areas, and continental shelf with USSR (replaced 1958 and 1969 agreements).
	Jun 89	Agreement		Continental shelf and EEZ boundary agreement with Sweden.
	May 89	Agreement		Agreement with Germany (GDR).
	May 90	Agreement		Tripoint agreement with Sweden and former USSR in Baltic Sea EIF.
	Nov 90	Agreement		Agreement with Germany signed. (Reaffirmed earlier agreements between Poland and GDR, following the unification of Germany.)
LOS CONVENTION	Dec 82			Signed Convention.
	Jul 94			Signed Part XI Agreement.
	Nov 98			Ratified Convention; bound by Part XI Agreement.

### HISTORIC WATERS LEGISLATION

The following is extracted from the Act concerning the Maritime Areas of the Polish Republic and the Marine Administration (Maritime Areas Act) of 21 March 1991.

#### Section 1 The Internal Waters

#### Article 4

The internal waters are:

1. The part of Nowowarpno Lake and the part of the Bay of Szczecin, together with the Swina and the Dziwna and the Bay of Kamien, situated east of the state frontier between the Polish Republic and Germany, and the river Odra between the Bay of Szczecin and the waters of the port of Szczecin.

2. That part of the bay of Gdansk closed by a baseline running from a point having the coordinates 54 degrees 37' 36" north geographic latitude and 18 degrees 49' 18" east geographic longitude (on the Hel Sandbar [Mierzeja Helska]) to a point having the coordinates 54 degrees 22' 12" north geographic latitude and 19 degrees 21' 00" east geographic longitude (on the Vistula Sandbar [Mierzeja Wisloana]);

3. That part of the Vistula Bay [Zalew Wislany] situated south-west of the State frontier between the Polish Republic and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on that Bay;....

## MARITIME BOUNDARY AGREEMENTS

### POLAND - GERMANY

The following is extracted from the Agreement between Poland and Germany on the Delimitation of the Continental Shelf in the Baltic Sea (EIF April 1969).

#### Article 1

The lateral boundary between the continental shelf of the Polish People's Republic and that of the German Democratic Republic shall be in principle, in accordance with article 6 of the Geneva Convention on the Continental Shelf, a line every point of which is equidistant from the nearest points of the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial waters of each Contracting Party is measured.

#### Article 2

1. In accordance with the principle set forth in article 1, the lateral boundary shall consist of the following straight lines: a line extending from the terminal point of the land frontier between the two Contracting Parties on the island of Uznam (Usedon) to point A, a line passing through points A, B, C, D, E, F, G and H, and an extension of the line between points G and H to a point equidistant from the nearest points of the baseline of the Polish People's Republic, the German Democratic Republic and the Kingdom of Denmark.

2. The points referred to in paragraph 1 have the following geographical coordinates:

**TABLE C1.T200.**  
**POLAND - GERMANY CONTINENTAL SHELF: BALTIC SEA**

POINT	LATITUDE NORTH	LONGITUDE EAST
A	54° 01' 42"	14° 15' 16"
B	54° 05' 20"	14° 20' 15"
C	54° 10' 08"	14° 21' 08"
D	54° 13' 44"	14° 23' 11"
E	54° 17' 05"	14° 27' 00"
F	54° 20' 28"	14° 29' 54"
G	54° 23' 56"	14° 32' 41"
H	54° 28' 19"	14° 35' 51"

The following is extracted from the Agreement between Poland and Germany on the Delimitation of the Sea Areas in the Oder Bight, signed May 1989.

#### Article 1

The common territorial sea boundary of the [GDR and Poland] uses straight lines (geodetic lines) connecting the following points:

**TABLE C1.T201.**  
**POLAND - GERMANY TERRITORIAL SEA BOUNDARY: ODER BIGHT**

POINT	LATITUDE NORTH	LONGITUDE EAST
A	53° 55' 45.45"	14° 13' 40.78"
B	53° 59' 21.46"	14° 14' 38.84"
C	54° 07' 39.76"	14° 12' 12.03"

Article 2

In the Oder Bight area [Poland] fixes the outer limit of its territorial sea by means of straight lines (geodetic lines) connecting the following points:

**CONTINUATION OF TABLE C1.T201.**

POINT	LATITUDE NORTH	LONGITUDE EAST
C	54° 07' 39.76"	14° 12' 12.03"
D	54° 07' 37.00"	14° 16' 51.00"
E	54° 08' 38.00"	14° 20' 48.00"

Article 3

In the Oder Bight area the GDR fixes the outer limit of its territorial sea by means of straight lines (geodetic lines) connecting the following points:

**CONTINUATION OF TABLE C1.T201.**

POINT	LATITUDE NORTH	LONGITUDE EAST
C	54° 07' 39.76"	14° 12' 12.03"
F	54° 14' 25.43"	14° 10' 11.75"
G	54° 16' 45.28"	14° 04' 17.53"
H	54° 26' 33.90"	14° 04' 48.70"

Article 4

1. The boundary of the continental shelf and fishery zones of the GDR and [Poland] uses straight lines (geodetic lines) connecting the following points:
2. The boundary mentioned in section 1 extends from point M further in a north-easterly direction to a point to be agreed upon by the GDR, [Poland] and the Kingdom of Denmark.

Article 5

1. The entire northern approach to the ports of Szczecin and Swinoujscie and the places of anchorage are all located in the territorial sea of [Poland] or high seas respectively.
2. The part of the northern approach to the ports of Szczecin and Swinoujscie situated to the east of the outer boundary of the territorial sea of GDR, as determined by Article 3 of the present Treaty, as well as anchorage place No.3 do not form part of the continental shelf, the fishing zone and, possibly, of the exclusive economic zone of the GDR.

Article 6

Navigation using the shipping routes and approaches leading to the ports of Szczecin and Swinoujscie, which are situated in the territorial sea of the GDR east of the island of Rugen, takes place according to the generally recognized principles of international law of the sea. Passage of warships and government ships sailing under the Polish flag does not require the authorization of the GDR. Polish sporting boats may with the permission of the DCR claim passage, after having been requested according to an appropriate procedure.

**POLAND - RUSSIA**

The following is extracted from the Agreement between Poland and the USSR on the Delimitation of the Territorial Sea, the EEZ, the Fishery Zone, and the Continental Shelf in the Baltic Sea of July 1985.

## Article 1

The boundary of the territorial sea between the USSR and [Poland] shall follow a straight line from a point located on the Baltiiskaia Kosa on the Soviet-Polish state boundary with geographic coordinates 54° 27' 28.63" north latitude and 19° 38' 30.96" east longitude, to the intersection of that line at a distance of 12nm with the outer limit of the territorial sea of the USSR and [Poland] on a point with geographic coordinates 54° 38' 15" north latitude and 19° 24' 22" east longitude.

## Article 2

The boundary of the economic zone, fishery zone and continental shelf between the USSR and [Poland] shall follow a line from a point with geographical coordinates 54° 36' 15" north latitude and 19° 24' 22" east longitude through the points with the following geographic coordinates:

**TABLE C1.T202.  
POLAND - RUSSIA MARITIME BOUNDARY COORDINATES**

POINT	LATITUDE NORTH	LONGITUDE EAST
A	54° 40' 12"	19° 18' 54"
B	54° 48' 54"	19° 20' 42"
C	55° 20' 48"	19° 03' 48"
D	55° 51' 00"	18° 56' 12"

up to the junction point of the corresponding marine areas of the USSR, [Poland] and the Kingdom of Sweden.

## Article 4

The present Treaty replaces the corresponding provisions of the Protocol between the USSR and [Poland] on the Delimitation of Soviet and Polish Territorial Waters in the Gulf of Gdansk of the Baltic Sea of 18 March 1958 and the Treaty between the USSR and [Poland] on the Course of the Boundary of the Continental Shelf in the Gulf of Gdansk and the Southeastern Part of the Baltic Sea of 28 August 1969.

**POLAND - SWEDEN**

The following is extracted from the Agreement between Poland and Sweden on the Delimitation of the Continental Shelf and the Fishery Zones (EIF June 1989).

## Article 1

The delimitation line between the areas of the continental shelf over which Sweden and Poland respectively exercise sovereign rights in regard to exploration and exploitation of natural resources, and between the fishery zones of Sweden and Poland consist of straight lines (geodetic lines) connecting the points indicated in Article 2.

## Article 2

The delimitation line shall be drawn through the following points in the order indicated:

**TABLE C1.T203.  
POLAND - SWEDEN MARITIME BOUNDARY COORDINATES**

POINT	LATITUDE NORTH	LONGITUDE EAST
A	55° 21.640'	16° 32.000'
B	55° 30.000'	17° 00.000'
C	55° 35.235'	17° 22.680'
D	55° 46.985'	18° 00.000'
E	55° 55.293'	18° 21.800'

POINT	LATITUDE NORTH	LONGITUDE EAST
F	55° 52.876	18° 54.000'

From point A to the West and point F to the East the delimitation line shall continue to points on which Agreement shall be reached with the third state concerned.

#### **POLAND - SWEDEN - RUSSIA**

The following is extracted from the Tripoint Agreement of Poland, Sweden and former USSR on the Junction Point of the Maritime Boundaries in the Baltic (EIF May 1990).

#### Article 1

From the points indicated below:

Point D, with the geographical coordinates 55°51'00" north latitude by 18°56'12" east longitude, as established in the Treaty of 17 July 1985 between the Polish People's Republic and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics concerning the delimitation of the territorial sea (territorial waters), economic zone, maritime fishing zone and continental shelf in the Baltic Sea;

Point A17, with the geographical coordinates 55°53.482' north latitude by 18°56.717' east longitude (following the Soviet system of coordinates) or 55°53.482' north latitude by 18°56.777' east longitude (following the Swedish system of coordinates), as established in the Agreement of 18 April 1988 between the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics concerning the delimitation of the continental shelf, the Soviet economic zone and the Swedish fishing zone in the Baltic Sea;

Point F, with the geographical coordinates 55°52.876' north latitude by 18°54.000' east longitude (following the World Geodetic System 1972), as established in the Agreement of 10 February 1989 concerning the delimitation of the continental shelf and fishing zones between the Kingdom of Sweden and the Polish People's Republic; the delimitation boundaries follow straight lines (geodesic lines) to the common delimitation point, with the geographical coordinates 55°52.788' north latitude by 18°55.545' east longitude.

The geographical coordinates given for the common delimitation point are based on the World Geodetic System 1972.