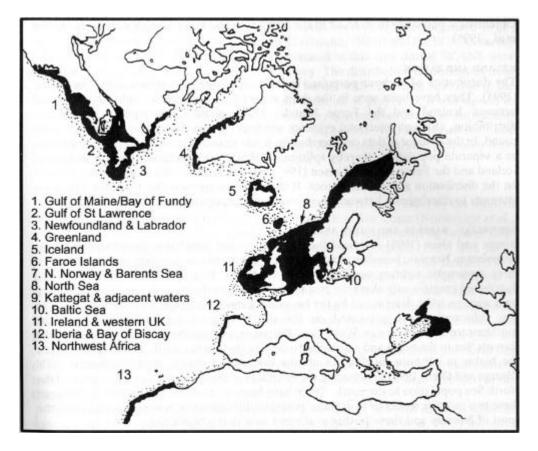
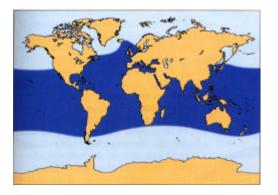
APPENDIX VII

A detailed report on the distribution of cetacean species affected by fishery by-catch is beyond the scope of this project. All are highly mobile species and, at a local scale, their distribution is likely to change over time. The following maps show the general distribution of harbour porpoises, white-beaked and whited-sided dolphins and common dolphins in European waters. Of these species, only the common dolphin occurs regularly in the Mediterranean and only the harbour porpoise is normally found in the Baltic. The harbour porpoise shows the most discontinuous distribution and is, for example, rare or absent in the southern North Sea and English Channel (Hammond *et al.*, 1995).

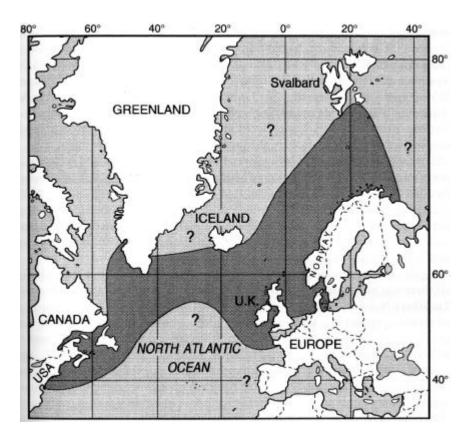
Figure 1. Distribution maps of cetacean main species. Question marks highlight areas where distribution is not well known.



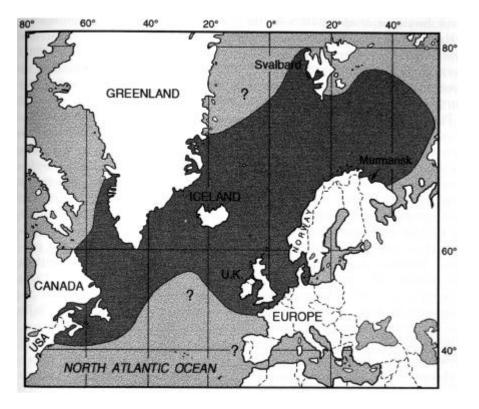
a) Northeast Atlantic distribution of the harbour porpoise (*Phocoena phocoena*). Reproduced from Donovan & Bjørge (1995).



b) Distribution of the common dolphin (*Delphinus delphis*). Reproduced from Cawardine (1995).



c) Distribution of the Atlantic white-sided dolphin (*Lagenorhynchus acutus*). Reproduced from Reeves et al. (1999a).



d) Distribution of the Atlantic white-beaked dolphin (*Lagenorhynchus albirostris*). Reproduced from Reeves et al. (1999b).