

The Pomor Trade

Background and development

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Pomor trade definition

- a. A direct trade *in Norway* between Russian small-traders and Norwegian fishermen
- b. A trade *in Norway* between Russian and Norwegian (town) merchants

Regulations and restrictions

- 1789 Pomor trade legal in Vardø, Hammerfest and small trading places in Finnmark
- 1794 Legal in Tromsø
- 1796 Generally legal in Finnmark 15th July – 15th August ("makketida")
- 1818: Legal at small trading places in Troms
- 1830: "Makketida" extended to 1st July – 15th August
- 1839: Generally legal in Troms, plus in Vesterålen
- 1866: Lofoten included in the legal area
- 1874: "Makketida" extended to 15th June – 30th September
- 1882: Even legal to sell dried cod to the Pomor traders