

ITALY

SUMMARY OF CLAIMS

TYPE	DATE	SOURCE	LIMITS	NOTES
TERRITORIAL SEA	Aug 1974	Law No. 359	12nm	Amended 1942 Navigation Code, changing territorial sea claim from 6nm to 12nm
	Apr 1985	Decree of the Ministry of Merchant Marine		Closed Strait of Messina to vessels 10,000 tons or more carrying oil and other pollutants. <i>The U.S. does not recognize this claim. The U.S. protested in CY 1985.</i>
	Feb 1993	Decree of the Minister of the Merchant Marine		Prohibits navigation in the Bouches de Bonifacio by Italian flagged vessels carrying oil, chemical products or other polluting substances dangerous and harmful to the marine environment..
ARCHIPELAGIC, STRAIGHT BASELINES, & HISTORIC CLAIMS	Apr 1977	Presidential Decree No. 816		Established straight baselines around the Italian coast, and listed coordinates that create those baselines. These baselines include the historic bay claim to Gulf of Taranto. <i>The U.S. does not recognize these claims.</i> The U.S. protested the baseline claim in CY 1986, and conducted an operational assertion in 2021. The U.S. protested the historic bay claim in CY 1984, 1986 1987 and 2021, and carried out an operational assertion in 2016.
CONTIGUOUS ZONE	Sep 1940	Law No. 1424	24nm	Jurisdiction over customs
	Aug 1974	Law No. 359	24nm	Amended 1942 Navigation Code, establishing contiguous zone at 24nm
	Jan 2004	Legislative Decree No. 41		Protection of historic and cultural property on the sea bed
CONTINENTAL SHELF	Jul 1967	Law No. 613	1958 DEF	
ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION	Feb 2006	Law No. 61	200nm	Establishing an ecological protection zone outside the territorial sea
	Oct 2011	Presidential Decree No. 209	200nm	Establishing EEZ in NW Med, Ligurian, and Tyrrhenian
	Dec 2012	Decree of the Minister of Economic Development	200nm	Establishing EEZ in Strait of Sicily and southern Ionian Sea. (See LOS Bulletin 85. Pages 18-20 . Chart on page 20.) Institution of EEZ beyond territorial sea
EEZ	Jun 2021	Law 91	200nm	Institution of EEZ beyond territorial sea

MARITIME BOUNDARIES	Jan 1968	Agreement	Agreement between Italy and Yugoslavia (Croatia, Slovenia, Serbia and Montenegro) concerning the delimitation of the continental shelf (Adriatic Sea). EIF. Go to State Department LIS page , scroll down and click on LIS No. 9 for U.S. analysis and chart.
	Nov 1975	Agreement	Agreement between Italy and Yugoslavia (Slovenia and Croatia) concerning the delimitation of the territorial sea (Gulf of Trieste). EIF.
	Dec 1978	Agreement	Agreement between Tunisia and Italy concerning the delimitation of the continental shelf. EIF. Go to State Department LIS page , scroll down and click on LIS No. 89 for U.S. analysis and chart.
MARITIME BOUNDARIES, Continued	Nov 1974	Convention	Convention between Spain and Italy on the delimitation of the Continental Shelf between the two States. EIF Nov 1980. Go to State Department LIS page , scroll down and click on LIS No. 90 for U.S. analysis and chart.
	May 1977	Agreement	Agreement between Greece and Italy on the delimitation of the respective Continental Shelf areas. EIF Nov 1980. Go to State Department LIS page , scroll down and click on LIS No. 96 for U.S. analysis and chart.
	Nov 1986	Agreement	Agreement between France and Italy on the delimitation of maritime frontiers (straights of Bonifacio). EIF May 1989.
	Dec 1992	Agreement	Agreement between Albania and Italy for the determination of the continental shelf.
	Jun 2020	Agreement	Agreement between Greece and Italy on the delimitation of their respective Continental Shelf areas.
LOS CONVENTION	Dec 1984		Signed Convention, with Declaration that coastal State jurisdiction in the EEZ does not extend to the right to be notified of or grant permission for military exercises or maneuvers in the EEZ.
	Jul 1994		Signed Part XI Agreement.
	Jan 1995		Ratified Convention
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