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Living Marine Resources

LIVING MARINE RESOURCES MANAGEMENT ACT 1995

Public Notice - Dates of the Closed Season for part of the Commercial Blacklip Abalone Fishery in State Waters off the North-East Coast of Tasmania

RULE 9(3) OF THE FISHERIES (ABALONE) RULES 2009

Pursuant to the powers under the *Fisheries (Abalone) Rules 2009* ("the Rules") that were delegated to the Director (Marine Resources) on 19 August 2015 by the Minister acting pursuant to section 20(1) of the *Living Marine Resources Management Act 1995* ("the Act"):

1. under rule 9(1) of the Rules I determine that the dates of closing of State waters of the commercial abalone fishery in **State waters off the north-east coast of Tasmania** to the activities of the take of blacklip abalone (*Haliotis rubra*) are as follows:

from 16 June 2017 to 31 December 2017 inclusive; and

2. under rule 9(3) of the Rules I also determine that, for the period specified in this notice, if the holder of a fishing licence (abalone dive) on a fishing trip takes blacklip abalone (*Haliotis rubra*) in State waters outside the area specified in this notice then the area specified in this notice is closed to the activities of entering the water by swimming or diving;

where "State waters off the north-east coast of Tasmania" is defined to mean: those State waters off the north-east coast of Tasmania within an area bounded in the west by an imaginary line beginning where the line of longitude 147° 27' 00" East meets the high-water mark of the north coast of the mainland of Tasmania in Anderson Bay, then running due north until its junction with the line of latitude 40° 39' South, then due east along that line of latitude to the limit of State waters, and bounded in the east by an imaginary line from the northern side of the mouth of the Great Musselroe River at Musselroe Bay running due west for 100 metres, then following the shoreline 100 metres from shore to the northernmost tip of Musselroe Point, then running due north until intersection with the line of latitude 40° 48' 00" South, and running due east to the outer limit of State waters.

Any expression used in this public notice having a particular meaning under the Act or the Rules has the same meaning in this public notice as it has in the Act or the Rules.

ROBERT GOTT
DIRECTOR (MARINE RESOURCES)

Dated: 14 June 2017

Information

This public notice has the effect of closing the commercial blacklip abalone fishery in State waters off the north-east coast of Tasmania in sub-blocks 31B, 39A, 39B, 40A, 40B and 40C only from 16 June 2017 to 31 December 2017 inclusive as part of arrangements to control the total amount of abalone harvested in that area in the interest of resource sustainability.

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