

Living Marine Resources Management Act 1995

Fisheries (Abalone) Rules 2017

NOTICE OF THE DATES OF THE CLOSED SEASON FOR THE COMMERCIAL BLACKLIP ABALONE FISHERY AND NOTICE OF ABALONE FISHERY CLOSURE TO SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES

I, Dr Ian Dutton, Director (Marine Resources) in the Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment, acting pursuant to a delegation from the Minister for Primary Industries and Water made on 12 November 2018 under section 20(1) of the *Living Marine Resources Management Act 1995* (the Act), hereby determine under rule 9 of the *Fisheries (Abalone) Rules 2017* (the Rules):

- A. that the dates of the closed season for those parts of the commercial blacklip abalone fishery specified in schedule 1 are from 12:01 am 14 April 2021 to 11:59 pm 31 December 2021; and
- B. that the parts of the abalone fishery specified in schedule 1 are closed to, or in respect of, the activities specified in schedule 2.

SCHEDULE 1

All those parts of the commercial blacklip abalone fishery in State waters off the upper-west coast of Tasmania within an area bounded in the north by the line of latitude 41° 06' 28.19" South and bounded in the south by the line of latitude 41° 21' 58.85" South.

SCHEDULE 2

While on a commercial fishing trip in State waters for the purpose of taking blacklip abalone (*Haliotis rubra*) the holder of a fishing licence (abalone dive) must not enter the water by swimming or diving.

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

Dated at HOBART this 9th day of April 2021



Dr Ian Dutton

Director (Marine Resources)

Information

(This information does not form part of the notice)

The commercial blacklip abalone fishery in State waters off the upper-west coast of Tasmania is being closed from 12:01 am 14 April 2021 to 11:59 pm 31 December 2021 as part of arrangements to control the total amount of blacklip abalone harvested in this area in the interest of resource sustainability. This closed area relates to commercial blacklip abalone fishing in fishing sub-blocks 6A, 6B and 6C only.