

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 and acting pursuant to 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 that part of the commercial blacklip abalone fishery specified in schedule 1 are from 12:01 am 1 January 2021 to 11:59 pm 30 June 2021; and
- B. That the part of the abalone fishery specified in schedule 1 is closed to, or in respect of, the activities specified in schedule 2.

SCHEDULE 1

All that part of the commercial blacklip abalone fishery in 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° 47' 01.46" East meets the high-water mark of the north coast of the mainland of Tasmania at Tomahawk Beach, 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 outer 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.

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 10th day of December 2020



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 north-east coast of Tasmania is being closed from 12:01 am 1 January 2021 to 11:59 pm 30 June 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 31B, 39A and 39B only.