

Fisheries Management (Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery and Small Pelagic Fishery Closures) Amendment Direction No. 1 2023

I, Anna Willock, Acting Chief Executive Officer of the Australian Fisheries Management Authority, make the following direction.

Dated 13 April 2023

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1 Citation

 This Direction is the *Fisheries Management (Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery and Small Pelagic Fishery Closures) Amendment Direction No. 1 2023.*

2 Commencement

 This instrument commences on 1 May 2023.

3 Authority

 This instrument is made under subsection 41A(3) of the *Fisheries Management Act 1991*.

4 Schedules

 Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Fisheries Management (Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery and Small Pelagic Fishery Closures) Direction 2021

1 Clause 6 – Direction not to engage in fishing

Repeal clause 6(k), substitute:

1. Fishing is not to be engaged in using trawl methods in the Commonwealth South East Trawl Sector of the Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery within the areas described in Schedule 13, 40, 41, 42, and 44.

At the end of clause 6(v)

Add:

1. Fishing is not to be engaged in using trawl methods in the Commonwealth South East Trawl Sector of the Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery within the areas described in Schedule 43.

2 At the end of Clause 9

Add:

10 Exemption to the prohibitions – Danish Seine Trawl

Clause 6 (w) does not apply to concession holders using the Danish seine trawl method with a codend mesh size of at least 80mm.

3 At the end of Schedule 39

Add:

Schedule 40 Gabo Trawl Closure

The area of the Gabo Trawl Closure is that part of the AFZ contained within and bounded by a line:

1. commencing at the point of latitude 37° 16.500' south, longitude 150° 10.374' east (Point 1) and running progressively;
2. east along the parallel of latitude 37° 16.500' south to its intersection with the meridian of longitude 150° 16.500' east (Point 2);
3. southerly along the geodesic to the point of latitude 37° 21.443' south, longitude 150° 16.491' east (Point 3);
4. south westerly along the geodesic to the point of latitude 37° 41.428' south, longitude 150° 07.046' east (Point 4);
5. westerly along the geodesic to the point of latitude 37° 41.452' south, longitude 149° 59.047' east (Point 5);
6. north easterly to the point of commencement.

Schedule 41 Conran Trawl Closure

The area of the Conran Trawl Closure is that part of the AFZ contained within and bounded by a line:

1. commencing at the point of latitude 38° 13.500' south, longitude 148° 47.212' east (Point 1) and running progressively;
2. generally north easterly along the geodesics sequentially connecting the following points:

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| 2 | 38° 01.917' south | 149° 19.630' east |
| 3 | 38° 03.000' south | 149° 37.500' east |

1. southerly to the point of latitude 38° 08.338' south, 149° 37.919' east (Point 4);
2. generally south westerly along the geodesics sequentially connecting the following points:

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| 5 | 38° 09.000' south | 149° 31.500' east |
| 6 | 38° 05.188' south | 149° 23.875' east |
| 7 | 38° 13.017' south | 149° 18.385' east |
| 8 | 38° 14.675' south | 149° 14.082' east |
| 9 | 38° 16.117' south | 149° 06.298' east |
| 10 | 38° 15.991' south | 148° 59.099' east |
| 11 | 38° 18.637' south | 148° 48.991' east |

1. then north westerly along the geodesic to the point of commencement.

Schedule 42 Flounder/Kingfisher Trawl Closure

The area of the Flounder/Kingfisher Trawl Closure is that part of the AFZ contained within and bounded by a line:

1. commencing at the point of latitude 38° 15.000' south, longitude 148° 34.500' east (Point 1) and running progressively;
2. south easterly along the geodesic to the point of latitude 38° 16.500' south, longitude 148° 37.500' east (Point 2);
3. generally south westerly along the geodesics sequentially connected by the following points:

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| 3 | 38° 25.500' south | 148° 31.500' east |
| 4 | 38° 29.169' south | 148° 30.174' east |
| 5 | 38° 35.125' south | 148° 29.212' east |
| 6 | 38° 48.000' south | 148° 19.500' east |

1. west along the parallel of latitude 38° 48.000' south to its intersection with the meridian of longitude 148° 16.500' east;
2. generally north easterly along the geodesics sequentially connected by the following points:

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| 8 | 38° 34.500' south | 148° 18.000' east |
| 9 | 38° 28.500' south | 148° 21.000' east |
| 10 | 38° 21.074' south | 148° 26.292' east |

1. north easterly along the geodesic to the point of commencement.

Schedule 43 Babel Island Trawl Closure

The area of the Babel Island Trawl Closure is that part of the AFZ contained within and bounded by a line:

1. commencing at the point of latitude 38° 53.612' south, longitude 148° 24.545' east (Point 1) and running progressively;
2. east along the parallel of latitude 38° 53.612' south to its intersection with the meridian of longitude 148° 29.275' east (Point 2);
3. generally south easterly along the geodesics sequentially connecting the following points:

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| 3 | 39° 00.940' south | 148° 35.532' east |
| 4 | 39° 04.999' south | 148° 35.400' east |
| 5 | 39° 06.865' south | 148° 38.053' east |
| 6 | 39° 21.109' south | 148° 44.923' east |
| 7 | 39° 25.024' south | 148° 45.469' east |
| 8 | 39° 28.542' south | 148° 46.570' east |
| 9 | 39° 35.138' south | 148° 47.972' east |
| 10 | 39° 38.986' south | 148° 46.941' east |
| 11 | 39° 43.725' south | 148° 48.369' east |
| 12 | 39° 48.094' south | 148° 48.295' east |
| 13 | 40° 02.101' south | 148° 52.652' east |
| 14 | 40° 22.500' south | 148° 52.800' east |

1. west along the parallel of latitude 40° 22.500' south to its intersection with the meridian of longitude 148° 49.500' east (Point 15);
2. generally north westerly along the geodesics sequentially connecting the following points:

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| 16 | 40° 02.112' south | 148° 46.500' east |
| 17 | 39° 55.959' south | 148° 39.000' east |
| 18 | 39° 51.000' south | 148° 37.500' east |
| 19 | 39° 34.500' south | 148° 37.500' east |
| 20 | 39° 19.500' south | 148° 36.000' east |
| 21 | 39° 07.500' south | 148° 33.792' east |
| 22 | 39° 02.427' south | 148° 28.849' east |

1. north westerly along the geodesic to the point of commencement.

Schedule 44 South East Tasman Trawl Closure

The area of the South East Tasman Trawl Closure is that part of the AFZ contained within and bounded by a line:

1. commencing at the point of latitude 42° 54.114' south, 148° 10.728' east (Point 1) and running progressively;
2. south easterly along the geodesic to the point of latitude 42° 54.114' south, longitude 148° 10.728' east (Point 2);
3. generally south westerly along the geodesics sequentially connecting the following points:

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| 3 | 43° 01.033' south | 148° 15.481' east |
| 4 | 43° 04.364' south | 148° 14.334' east |
| 5 | 43° 13.500' south | 148° 09.666' east |
| 6 | 43° 19.934' south | 148° 07.653' east |
| 7 | 43° 36.864' south | 147° 53.056' east |
| 8 | 43° 52.797' south | 147° 40.986' east |

1. north westerly along the geodesic to the point of latitude 43° 47.101' south, longitude 147° 30.536' east (Point 9);
2. north easterly along the geodesic to the point of latitude 43° 23.729' south, longitude 147° 46.833' east (Point 10);
3. north easterly along the geodesic and outer limit of the coastal waters of the state of Tasmania to the point of latitude 43° 17.429' south, longitude 148° 02.211' east (Point 11);
4. north easterly along the curved boundary of the coastal waters of the state of Tasmania sequentially connecting the following points:

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| 12 | 43° 17.381' south | 148° 02.333' east |
| 13 | 43° 17.329' south | 148° 02.453' east |
| 14 | 43° 17.275' south | 148° 02.570' east |
| 15 | 43° 17.218' south | 148° 02.685' east |
| 16 | 43° 17.158' south | 148° 02.797' east |
| 17 | 43° 17.096' south | 148° 02.906' east |
| 18 | 43° 17.030' south | 148° 03.012' east |
| 19 | 43° 16.962' south | 148° 03.117' east |
| 20 | 43° 16.890' south | 148° 03.218' east |

1. north easterly along the geodesic to the point of latitude 43° 16.500' south, longitude 148° 04.126' east (Point 21);
2. north easterly along the geodesic to the point of intersection with the outer boundary of the coastal waters of the state of Tasmania, latitude 43° 08.684' south, longitude 148° 07.135' east (Point 22);
3. north easterly along the curved boundary of the coastal waters of the state of Tasmania sequentially connecting the following points:

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| 23 | 43° 08.390' south | 148° 07.270' east |
| 24 | 43° 08.296' south | 148° 07.313' east |
| 25 | 43° 08.202' south | 148° 07.353' east |
| 26 | 43° 08.107' south | 148° 07.388' east |
| 27 | 43° 08.011' south | 148° 07.419' east |
| 28 | 43° 07.914' south | 148° 07.446' east |
| 29 | 43° 07.817' south | 148° 07.469' east |
| 30 | 43° 07.816' south | 148° 07.469' east |

1. north easterly along the geodesic to the point of commencement.