



Fisheries Management (Southern Bluefin Tuna Fishery Transfer Weighing) Determination 2023.

The Australian Fisheries Management Authority makes the following determination in accordance with a decision made by the Commissioners under section 23 of the *Fisheries Administration Act 1991*.

Dated 10 November 2023

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Chief Executive Officer
for and on behalf of the Australian Fisheries Management Authority

1 Name

This instrument may be cited as the *Fisheries Management (Southern Bluefin Tuna Fishery Transfer Weighing) Determination 2023*.

2 Commencement

This instrument commences on 1 December 2023.

3 Cessation

This instrument ceases on 30 November 2024.

4 Authority

This instrument is made pursuant to paragraph 17(6)(aa) of the Act and under subclause 22B.2 of the Plan.

5 Definitions

Note: A number of expressions used in this instrument are defined in definitions section of the Plan, including the following:
(a) *farm representative*.

In this instrument:

Act means the *Fisheries Management Act 1991*.

Plan means the *Southern Bluefin Tuna Fishery Management Plan 1995*

6 Manner of carrying out transfer weighing

(1) For the purposes of subclause 22B.2 of the Plan, a transfer weighing of fish is to be carried out in the following manner:

- a) at least 100 fish that each weighs 8 kilograms or more must be taken from the tow pontoon and the average weight of those fish is determined to two decimal places;
- b) if 150 fish have been taken from the tow pontoon and the number of fish that weigh 8 kilograms or more each is less than 100 then the average weight shall be calculated to two decimal places from the 150 fish taken regardless of the individual weight of each fish.
- c) a video recording must be made of each transfer of the fish from the tow pontoon to the farm;
- d) the video must depict a side view covering the opening between the tow pontoon and the farm in order that all southern bluefin tuna transferred will appear on the video recording;
- e) once all the transfers from that tow pontoon are complete, a farm representative and AFMA or an Agent of AFMA must view the recordings and tally the number of fish transferred.

(2) The weight of fish in the transfer weighing is determined by multiplying the average weight determined under paragraph 6(1)(a) or 6(1)(b) by the number of fish in the tow pontoon as determined under paragraph 6(1)(e).