

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 David Midson, General Manager (Marine Resources) in the Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania, acting pursuant to a delegation from the Minister administering 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 2025 to 11:59 pm 30 April 2025; 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-west coast of Tasmania bounded in the south by the line of latitude 41° 21' 58.85" South and bounded in the north by an imaginary line running from the northernmost point of Woolnorth Point to the point of latitude 40° 36' 54.56" South, longitude 144° 41' 07.69" East, then running due west 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.

All coordinates of latitude and longitude specified in this notice are to be determined by reference to the Geocentric Datum of Australia (also known as "the GDA" or "GDA94") as defined in the *Commonwealth Gazette* No. GN 35, 6 September 1995.

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

Dated this 12th day of December 2024

Dr David Midson

General Manager (Marine Resources)



Information

(This information does not form part of the notice)

The commercial blacklip abalone fishery in State waters off the north-west coast of Tasmania is being closed from 12:01 am 1 January 2025 to 11:59 pm 30 April 2025 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 block 5 and sub-blocks 6A, 6B and 6C only.