

# **LIVING MARINE RESOURCES MANAGEMENT ACT 1995**

## *Fisheries (Rock Lobster) Rules 2022*

### **PUBLISHED NOTICE - DATES OF CLOSING OF THE COMMERCIAL ROCK LOBSTER FISHERY – EAST COAST CATCH CAP AREA**

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 10 of the *Fisheries (Rock Lobster) Rules 2022* (the Rules) that:

- 1) the part of the commercial rock lobster fishery that comprises of the activities of the taking of rock lobster for commercial purposes in “east coast catch cap waters” is closed from 00:01 28 February 2025 to midnight 9 April 2025 inclusive; and
- 2) the activity of setting of a rock lobster pot for commercial purposes in, “east coast catch cap waters” is closed from 00:01 28 February 2025 to 13:00 9 April 2025 inclusive;

Where:

“**east coast catch cap waters**” is defined to mean the area of State waters adjacent to the east coast of Tasmania bounded in the north on the east coast by the line of latitude at 41° 16' 30" South running due east from St Helens Point and bounded in the south on the south east coast by the line of latitude at 43° 20' 00" South running due east of Coal Point (Adventure Bay, Bruny Island), excluding the D'Entrecasteaux Channel and the River Derwent.

and where:

“**River Derwent**” is defined to mean the waters upstream of an imaginary straight line from Dennes Point to Cape Direction.

Words and expressions used in this public notice have the same meaning as in the *Living Marine Resources Management Act 1995* and the *Fisheries (Rock Lobster) Rules 2022*.

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.



Dr David Midson  
**GENERAL MANAGER (MARINE RESOURCES)**

Dated: 17 February 2025

### **INFORMATION**

(This information does not form part of the notice)

This notice closes part of the East Coast Stock Rebuilding Zone (the part described as 'east coast catch cap waters') for the **commercial rock lobster fishery** until 10 April 2025. The closed area excludes the D'Entrecasteaux Channel and the River Derwent. The southernmost part of the East Coast Stock Rebuilding Zone, from Coal Point to Tasman Head, is not included in this closure notice.

GPS coordinates are provided in degrees, minutes, and seconds (e.g. 40°59'35"S). If you use GPS in degrees and decimal minutes (e.g. 40°59.583'S) or in decimal degrees (e.g. 40.9931°S), you must accurately convert the coordinates to the correct format.

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