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# **Living Marine Resources**

### Living Marine Resources Management Act 1995

FISHERIES (SCALEFISH) RULES 2015

NOTICE OF THE DATES OF THE CLOSURE FOR PART OF THE SCALEFISH FISHERY AND NOTICE OF SCALEFISH FISHERY CLOSURE TO SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES

I, DEIDRE WILSON, being and as the Deputy Secretary (Position Number 702786) in the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, acting pursuant to a delegation from the (then) Minister for Primary Industries and Water made on 13 July 2022 and acting pursuant to section 20(1) of the *Living Marine Resources Management Act 1995* (the Act), hereby determine under rule 11(1) (c) of the *Fisheries (Scalefish) Rules 2015* (the Rules):

- A. that the dates of the closed part of the Scalefish Fishery specified in schedule 1 are from 12:01 am 15 November 2022 to 11:59 pm 14 November 2023; and
- B. that the parts of the commercial Scalefish Fishery specified in Schedule 1 are closed to, or in respect of, the activities specified in schedule 2

## SCHEDULE 1

The commercial Scalefish Fishery in State waters within Macquarie Harbour.

## SCHEDULE 2

- 1) Set or leave a commercial gillnet.
- 2) The take of any species of skates, rays or stingrays (Class Chondrichthyes, Family Rajidae), including Maugean Skate (*Zearaja maugeana*).

Dated at HOBART this 11th day of November 2022.

Deidre Wilson

DEPUTY SECRETARY

### **INFORMATION**

(This information does not form part of the notice)

This notice implements interim and urgent management actions relating to the commercial Scalefish Fishery to reduce fishing associated risks to the endangered Maugean Skate while a Conservation Action Plan is progressed.

Fishers should note that although this notice closes Macquarie Harbour to gillnetting, an exemption instrument has been issued allowing endorsed commercial fishers to undertake gillnetting activities considered to be an acceptable risk to Maugean Skates during the specified period in defined areas.

See more details on the fishing areas at fishing.tas.gov.au (under area restrictions).

For further information, please contact the Wild Fisheries Management Branch on 03 6165 3000 or email commercial.fisheries@nre.tas.gov.au.

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