FISHERIES ACT 1905 NORTH WEST COAST SHARK FISHING (PROFESSIONAL) GEAR PROHIBITION NOTICE 1993 Notice No. 601

FD 615/91.

Made by the Minister under sections 9 and 10.

Citation

1. This notice may be cited as the North West Coast Shark Fishing (Professional) Gear Prohibition Notice 1993.

Interpretation

- 2. In this notice unless the contrary intention appears-
 - "attended" means within 100 metres of the nearest part of the line;
 - "demersal gillnet" means any net intended or used for the purpose of taking fish
 - (a) has a mesh size greater than 114 millimetres; and
 - (b) when set is wholly or partially in continuous or intermittent contact with the sea bed;
 - "shark longline" means any longline that uses any metal material in the snood;
 - "shark dropline" means any dropline which uses any metal material in the snood:
 - "snood" means the line attaching a hook to the main line of any fishing line.

Prohibition on using shark fishing gear

3. All persons other than the class of person described in Schedule 1 are prohibited from using, for the purpose of taking or attempting to take fish, from the waters specified in Schedule 2 any equipment of the type specified in Schedule 3.

Exemption

4. Notwithstanding the provisions of Clause 3 a person who is not operating from a licensed fishing boat may use hand lines, rod, reel and lines or one attended set line with metal material in the snood provided that each line does not have more than 3 hooks or gangs of hooks attached.

Schedule 1

The holder of a professional fisherman's licence using a boat operating under a Fishing Boat Licence, provided that the Fishing Boat Licence is endorsed to permit the use of that boat to take fish from within the waters specified in Schedule 2 using any of the equipment specified in Schedule 3.

Schedule 2

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All the waters of the Indian Ocean north of 26°30' south latitude and west of a line drawn due north along 114°06' east longitude (Vlamingh Head) including all the waters of Shark Bay.

Schedule 3

- (a) Shark longline;
- (b) shark dropline;
- (c) demersal gillnet;
- (d) fishing net drum;
- (e) puretic power blocks; or
- (f) any other similar device for hauling a fishing net.

Dated this 28th day of April 1993.

MONTY HOUSE, Minister for Fisheries.

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