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SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION NO. 7 OF 2017

FISHERIES AMENDMENT (DEMERSAL FISHERY ZONES) REGULATIONS 2017

**Purpose**

To make amendments to the *Fisheries Regulations* to change the boundaries of Zone B in the Demersal Fishery.

**Summary of key provisions**

The proposed changes to the boundaries of Zone B shift commercial operations further away from recreational fishing grounds. The move is supported by the recreational sector and is one that will add further protection to identified areas holding at risk reef fish stocks, particularly golden snapper.

The changes will also enable commercial operators to better spread their fishing effort and reduce the risk of localised depletions in Zone B.

**Legislative Authority**

Section 47(1) of the *Fisheries Act*.

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## ***Fisheries Amendment (Demersal Fishery Zones) Regulations 2017***

I, John Laurence Hardy, Administrator of the Northern Territory of Australia, acting with the advice of the Executive Council, make the following regulations under the *Fisheries Act*.

Dated 10 April 2017

J. L. HARDY  
Administrator

By His Honour's Command

L. J. MOSS  
Minister for Environment and Natural Resources  
acting for  
Minister for Primary Industry and Resources

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\* Notified in the *Northern Territory Government Gazette* on 19 April 2017.

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**1 Citation**

These Regulations may be cited as the *Fisheries Amendment (Demersal Fishery Zones) Regulations 2017*.

**2 Regulations amended**

These Regulations amend the *Fisheries Regulations*.

**3 Regulation 103 amended**

Regulation 103(4)

*omit, insert*

- (4) Zone B is the area bounded by a line:
- (a) commencing at the intersection by the parallel of latitude 13°00' south and the meridian of longitude 128°45' east; and
  - (b) from there easterly along the geodesic to the point of latitude 13°00' south, longitude 129°20' east; and
  - (c) from there northerly along the geodesic to the point of latitude 12°30' south, longitude 129°20' east; and
  - (d) from there westerly along the geodesic to the point of latitude 12°30' south, longitude 129°10' east; and
  - (e) from there northerly along the geodesic to the point of latitude 11°45' south, longitude 129°10' east; and
  - (f) from there westerly along the geodesic to the point of latitude 11°45' south, longitude 128°06' east; and
  - (g) from there southerly along the geodesic to the intersection by the boundary between the Territory and Western Australia as specified in the *Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Act 1967* (Cth) as in force immediately before its repeal; and
  - (h) from there generally south-easterly along that boundary between the Territory and Western Australia as specified in the *Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Act 1967* (Cth) as in force immediately before its repeal; and to its intersection by the parallel of latitude 12°30' south; and
  - (i) from there generally south-easterly along the geodesic to the point of commencement.

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#### **4 Expiry of Regulations**

These Regulations expire on the day after they commence.