FISHERIES MANAGEMENT ACT 2007: SECTION 115 Ministerial Exemption number: ME9903210

TAKE notice that pursuant to section 115 of the *Fisheries Management Act 2007*, I Professor Gavin Begg, Executive Director Fisheries and Aquaculture, delegate of the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development, hereby declare that the holder of a Commercial Fishery Licence in the Marine Scalefish Fishery, Restricted Marine Scalefish Fishery, Lakes and Coorong Fishery, Southern Zone Rock Lobster Fishery or Northern Zone Rock Lobster Fishery (the 'exemption holders') or their registered master and agents are exempt from Section 70 of the *Fisheries Management Act 2007*, Regulation 5, and clause 113(2) of Schedule 6 of the *Fisheries Management (General) Regulations 2017* in that the exemption holder shall not be guilty of an offence when taking Wrasse species (other than Western Blue Groper) that are greater than 35 cm from coastal waters of the state as described in Schedule 1, subject to the conditions specified in Schedule 2 from 00:01 hrs on 21 April 2022 to 23:59 hrs on 20 April 2023, unless varied or revoked earlier.

SCHEDULE 1

Coastal waters of the state excluding waters within a Sanctuary Zone or Restricted Access Zone of a Marine Park, or an aquatic reserve, or the Adelaide Dolphin Sanctuary, or the River Murray.

SCHEDULE 2

- 1. The exemption holder may take Wrasse species (other than Western Blue Groper) that are greater than 35 cm in length when measured from the foremost part of the head to the end of the tail.
- 2. The exemption holder must record all Wrasse taken within the terms of this notice in the South Australian Commercial Marine Scalefish Fishery Daily Catch and Effort Logbook provided by the Department of Primary Industries and Regions and submit the returns within 15 days of the end of the month to which it relates.
- 3. While engaging in the exempted activity, the exemption holder must be in possession of a copy of this notice. This notice must be produced to a Fisheries Officer if requested.
- 4. The exemption holders shall not contravene or fail to comply with the *Fisheries Management Act 2007*, or any regulations made under that Act except where specifically exempted by this notice.

This notice does not purport to override the provisions or operation of any other Act including, but not limited to, the *Marine Parks Act 2007*. The exemption holders and their agents must comply with any relevant regulations, permits, requirements and directions from the Department for Environment and Water when undertaking activities within a marine park.

Dated 20 April 2022

Prof Gavin Begg EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE Delegate of the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development