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NOTICE TO FISHERS

South Australian Sardine Fishery

Miscellaneous amendments to regulations

Dear Licence Holder,

I write to inform you of miscellaneous amendments that have been made to regulations under the *Fisheries Management Act 2007* (the Act) that relate to the South Australian Sardine Fishery (SASF).

Amendments have been made to the *Fisheries Management (General) Regulations 2017* to update all coordinates from GDA94 to GDA2020 based on the Geocentric Datum of Australia 2020 (GDA2020) consistent with the Australian national standard.

Additionally, regulation 3(3) describing the method for determining the mesh size of a net has been deleted as this method has been superseded by new technology and is no longer necessary. New arrangements now allow the Minister to approve a measuring instrument for this purpose to ascertain more accurate mesh sizes of nets allowing for new measuring devices to be certified in the future in a timely manner.

The relevant amendment regulations for the SASF are as follows:

Fisheries Management (General) (Miscellaneous) Amendment Regulations 2023

Fisheries Management (Demerit Points) (Miscellaneous) Amendment Regulations 2023.

These regulation amendments are published in the Government Gazette, No. 26, Thursday 20 April 2023 (pp. 799–858), available at:

https://governmentgazette.sa.gov.au/2023/April/2023_026.pdf

These amendments came into effect on 1 May 2023.

If you have any queries regarding these arrangements or would like a copy of the amended regulations referred to above, you can contact Annabel Jones, General Manager, (08) 8429 0165 or email Annabel.Jones@sa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

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