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**NOTICE TO MARINE SCALEFISH FISHERY, SOUTHERN ZONE ROCK LOBSTER  
FISHERY AND NORTHERN ZONE ROCK LOBSTER FISHERY LICENCES WITH  
MARINE SCALEFISH ACCESS**

**Information on electronic reporting for the Marine Scalefish.**

Dear Licence holder

I write to provide an update on the implementation of electronic reporting for the Marine Scalefish Fishery to replace the current paper-based system.

A simple electronic catch reporting system has been developed that will enable fishers to report their catch for marine scalefish quota species. This will improve the integrity and reliability of the quota arrangements in the fishery and result in a more effective and efficient management of the Marine Scalefish Fishery.

Fishers will now be able to report their catch by using the Commercial Fishing SA app. The app has been configured to report electronic catch disposal records (eCDRs). In addition, fishers can access eCatch through the myPIRSA portal and report their catch directly into eCatch.

Particulars about eCDR reporting have been detailed within the 'Marine Scalefish Fishery – Electronic Reporting Reference Guide' which will be provided to all licence holders.

Fishers are to commence reporting electronically from November 2022 and will be required to dual report their catch until advised (dual reporting requires fishers to report their catch using a paper-based CDR as well as the new electronic eCDR). This will allow for the monitoring of eCDRs to ensure the accuracy of their entry during the dual reporting period.

Fishers are to ensure when inputting details on their paper-based CDR, they hand write the electronic report reference (e.g. M001220718A) of their equivalent eCDR on the paper-based copy in the top right corner (see following image).



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**CDR No M 123456**

**MARINE SCALEFISH CATCH AND DISPOSAL RECORD (MSF-CDR)**

Please find attached the updated Ministerial determination allowing for the reporting of catch by paper CDR and eCDR.

If you have any queries, please contact PIRSA Fisheries & Aquaculture, Leasing & Licensing on 8207 5332 or email [pirsa.ebusinessfisheries@sa.gov.au](mailto:pirsa.ebusinessfisheries@sa.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G Begg'.

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