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NOTICE TO WESTERN ZONE ABALONE FISHERY

Information on electronic reporting for the Western Zone Abalone Fishery

Dear Licence holder

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

A simple electronic catch reporting system has been developed that will enable fishers to access their catch details for abalone quota. 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 Western Zone Abalone Fishery.

Fishers can now submit a CDR electronically through a third party application. They can also choose to access eCatch through the myPIRSA portal and report their catch electronically directly into the eCatch (Digital Reporting) Service.

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

Fishers are to commence reporting electronically from **1 July 2023** and will be required to dual report their catch until advised in writing by the Manager Leasing and Licensing (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 entries 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. W01230228A) of their equivalent eCDR on the paper-based copy in the top right corner (see following image).



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ABALONE CATCH & DISPOSAL RECORD

W01230228A
86151

PART A (To be completed by the licence holder / registered master)
Prior Report Number _____ Time _____

PART B (To be completed by registered processor) Processor Number _____
Name and Address of processor _____

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

These determinations are published on the Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) website and can be viewed at

https://www.pir.sa.gov.au/primary_industry/commercial_fishing/management/determinations

If you have any queries, please contact PIRSA Fisheries and Aquaculture, eCDR team on 8207 5332 or email pirsa.ebusinessfisheries@sa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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