

FACT SHEET – OCTOBER 2018

Lobster

This guide provides the information you need to operate in the lobster share class.

1. FisherMobile - quota reporting

You must report all quota usage in real time using the FisherMobile App on a mobile device.

If you take Eastern rock lobsters, you must report the validated weight (total weight of lobsters to one decimal place) using FisherMobile.

You must make a FisherMobile post-land report:

1. within 2 hours of landing
2. before storing any lobsters in a holding pen
3. before any Eastern rock lobsters are moved from NSW

The FisherMobile post-land report requires you to report:

1. your registration number
2. fishing business number
3. total validated weight

You must remain in attendance and possession of your catch until you make a FisherMobile post-land report.

You must continue to use the NSW DPI Lobster Fishery Catch and Effort Logbook to report all other information.

2. Interim Fishing Activity Report

If the FisherMobile system is not available, you must complete an Interim Fishing Activity Report (IFAR) using the IFAR book supplied for this purpose.

An IFAR must be completed and submitted in accordance with the instructions in the IFAR logbook.

3. Nominations

You can be nominated on more than one lobster fishing business at one time, or if you are a lobster fishery shareholder, you can fish your business in addition to any other business you may be nominated on.

When fishing more than one business, you must use the logbook and lobster tags allocated to the shareholder of the business you are fishing at the time.

4. Catch limits

You must not take Mud or Blue swimmer crabs, Long or Shortfin river eels or Eastern sea garfish.

From 1 May 2019, you must not take Australian sardine, Bass groper, Hapuku, Bigeye ocean perch, Blue-eye trevalla, Pink ling, Tiger or Bluespotted flathead, Gemfish, Eastern school or Stout whiting.

5. Existing rules

This guide provides information on some rules. You need to be aware of all of the rules that apply to your fishery.

Fisheries management legislation can be found at www.legislation.nsw.gov.au

Other information such as some endorsement conditions, fishing closures and permits can be found at www.dpi.nsw.gov.au

More information

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