

THE FISHERIES (1989-90 SOUTHERN BLUEFIN TUNA QUOTA) REGULATIONS 1990

PAUL REEVES, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At Wellington this 21st day of May 1990

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Fisheries Act 1983, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

- 1. Title and commencement—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Fisheries (1989-90 Southern Bluefin Tuna Quota) Regulations 1990.
- (2) These regulations shall come into force on the 28th day after the date of their notification in the *Gazette*.
- **2. Interpretation**—In these regulations, "southern bluefin tuna" means the fish of which the scientific name is *Thunnus maccoyi*.
- **3. Application**—These regulations apply only in respect of the fishing year commencing on the 1st day of October 1989.
- **4. Quota for southern bluefin tuna imposed**—A quota of 420 greenweight tonnes is hereby imposed on the taking of southern bluefin tuna by commercial fishermen in New Zealand fisheries waters.

5. Offence—(1) Every commercial fisherman commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 who takes any southern bluefin tuna in New Zealand fisheries waters after the quota imposed by regulation 4 of these regulations has been filled.

(2) It is a defence to proceedings for an offence under subclause (1) of this regulation if the Court is satisfied that the defendant did not know and could not reasonably be expected to have known that the quota had been

filled.

6. Revocation—The Fisheries (1988–89 Southern Bluefin Tuna Quota) Regulations 1988* are hereby revoked.

MARIE SHROFF, Clerk of the Executive Council.

*S.R. 1988/291

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations revoke and replace the Fisheries (1988–89 Southern Bluefin Tuna Quota) Regulations 1988.

The regulations impose a quota of 420 greenweight tonnes on the taking of southern bluefin tuna by commercial fishermen in New Zealand fisheries waters for the 1989-90 fishing year. This is a reduction of 30 tonnes from the quota for the 1988-89 fishing year.

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These regulations are administered in the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.