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# THE FISHERIES (1992–93 SOUTHERN BLUEFIN TUNA QUOTA) REGULATIONS 1993

CATHERINE A. TIZARD, Governor-General

## ORDER IN COUNCIL

At Wellington this 29th day of March 1993

#### Present:

THE RIGHT HON. D. C. MCKINNON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Fisheries Act 1983, Her 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 (1992–93 Southern Bluefin Tuna Quota) Regulations 1993.
- (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 with the scientific name *Thunnus maccoyi*.
- **3. Application**—These regulations apply only in respect of the fishing year commencing on the 1st day of October 1992.
- **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 (1991–92 Southern Bluefin Tuna Quota) Regulations 1992 (S.R. 1992/13) are hereby revoked.

MARIE SHROFF, Clerk of the Executive Council.

#### 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 (1991-92 Southern Bluefin Tuna Quota) Regulations 1992.

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 1992-93 fishing year. This is the same quota as that which applied for the 1991-92 fishing year.

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