



**THE FISHERIES (SOUTH-EAST AREA COMMERCIAL FISHING)
REGULATIONS 1986, AMENDMENT NO. 16**

CATHERINE A. TIZARD, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At Wellington this 28th day of February 1994

Present:

HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to section 89 of 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 (South-East Area Commercial Fishing) Regulations 1986, Amendment No. 16, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Fisheries (South-East Area Commercial Fishing) Regulations 1986* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the 28th day after the date of their notification in the *Gazette*.

*S.R. 1986/219

- Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1986/254
- Amendment No. 2: S.R. 1988/105
- Amendment No. 3: S.R. 1988/320
- Amendment No. 4: S.R. 1989/322
- Amendment No. 5: (Revoked by S.R. 1991/248)
- Amendment No. 6: S.R. 1991/58
- Amendment No. 7: (Revoked by S.R. 1991/163)
- Amendment No. 8: S.R. 1991/165
- Amendment No. 9: (Revoked by S.R. 1992/343)
- Amendment No. 10: S.R. 1992/116
- Amendment No. 11: S.R. 1992/234
- Amendment No. 12: S.R. 1992/343
- Amendment No. 13: S.R. 1995/48
- Amendment No. 14: S.R. 1998/282
- Amendment No. 15: S.R. 1998/355

2. New regulations substituted—The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking regulation 8, and substituting the following regulations:

“**8. Closed season for rock lobster**—No commercial fisherman shall—

“(a) Take any rock lobster from the waters of the Otago Concession Area; or

“(b) Be in possession of any rock lobster taken from those waters; or

“(c) Fish using any rock lobster pot in those waters—

during the period commencing on the 20th day of November in any year and ending with the 20th day of June in the next year (both days inclusive).

“**8A. Rock lobster fishing prohibited in Otago Concession Buffer Zone**—No commercial fisherman shall—

“(a) Take any rock lobster from the waters of the Otago Concession Buffer Zone; or

“(b) Be in possession of any rock lobster taken from those waters; or

“(c) Fish using any rock lobster pot in those waters.”

3. Offences—Regulation 12 (1) of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting the expression “4 to 8”, and substituting the expression “4 to 8A”.

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, which come into force 28 days after the date of their notification in the *Gazette*, amend the Fisheries (South-East Area Commercial Fishing) Regulations 1986.

Regulation 2 revokes regulation 8 of the principal regulations and substitutes new regulations 8 and 8A.

New *regulation 8* imposes a closed season for rock lobster in the Otago Concession Area during the period commencing on 20 November in any year and ending with the close of 20 June in the next year. The current concession period runs from 21 June in any year to 19 November in the same year and during that period a commercial fisherman may take rock lobster having a tail length of not less than 127 mm.

New *regulation 8A* makes the prohibition on rock lobster fishing in the Otago Concession Buffer Zone a total prohibition applying throughout the whole of each year. Formerly, the prohibition applied from 1 June in any year to 19 December in the same year.

Regulation 3 effects a consequential amendment to the principal regulations.

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