



**THE FISHERIES (CHALLENGER AREA COMMERCIAL FISHING)  
REGULATIONS 1986, AMENDMENT NO. 22**

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MICHAEL HARDIE BOYS, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At Wellington this 7th day of October 1996

Present:

THE RIGHT HON. J. B. BOLGER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to section 89 of 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.

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REGULATIONS

**1. Title and commencement**—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Fisheries (Challenger Area Commercial Fishing) Regulations 1986, Amendment No. 22, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Fisheries (Challenger Area Commercial Fishing) Regulations 1986\* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

\*S.R. 1986/218

Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1986/255  
Amendment No. 2: *(Revoked by S.R. 1995/234)*  
Amendment No. 3: *(Revoked by S.R. 1992/327)*  
Amendment No. 4: *(Revoked by S.R. 1989/341)*  
Amendment No. 5: *(Revoked by S.R. 1989/341)*  
Amendment No. 6: *(Revoked by S.R. 1992/227)*  
Amendment No. 7: S.R. 1989/293  
Amendment No. 8: S.R. 1990/218  
Amendment No. 9: S.R. 1990/309  
Amendment No. 10: *(Revoked by S.R. 1992/321)*  
Amendment No. 11: S.R. 1991/162  
Amendment No. 12: S.R. 1992/227  
Amendment No. 13: S.R. 1992/321  
Amendment No. 14: S.R. 1993/281  
Amendment No. 15: S.R. 1993/352  
Amendment No. 16: S.R. 1994/177  
Amendment No. 17: S.R. 1995/34  
Amendment No. 18: S.R. 1995/234  
Amendment No. 19: S.R. 1996/19  
Amendment No. 20: S.R. 1996/80  
Amendment No. 21: S.R. 1996/277

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

**2. Certain fishing prohibited in Pelorus Sound**—(1) Regulation 2E (1) of the principal regulations (as inserted by regulation 3 of the Fisheries (Challenger Area Commercial Fishing) Regulations 1986, Amendment No. 14) is hereby amended—

(a) By omitting the word “inner”:

(b) By omitting the expression “, and inside a line drawn from Tawero Point (at 41° 03.80’S and 173° 57.0’E) to Opani-aputa Point (at 41° 04.70’S and 173° 58.50’E)”.

(2) Regulation 2E of the principal regulations (as so inserted) is hereby amended by adding the following subclauses:

“(3) Except as provided in subclause (4) of this regulation, but without limiting subclause (1) of this regulation, no commercial fisherman shall take finfish from the waters lying inside a straight line drawn from Tawero Point (at approximately 41° 03.80’S and 173° 57.0’E) to Opani-aputa Point (at approximately 41° 04.70’S and 173° 58.50’E).

“(4) Any commercial fisherman may take finfish from the waters referred to in subclause (3) of this regulation by using a set net of not more than 9 meshes in height, if the entire bottom length of the net is in direct contact with the seabed.

“(5) Without limiting subclauses (1) and (3) of this regulation, no commercial fisherman shall use or possess a set net in the waters of Keneperu Sound—

“(a) During the period commencing on the day on which this subclause comes into force and ending with the close of the 31st day of March 1997; or

“(b) During any period, after the 31st day of March 1997, commencing on the 1st day of October in any year and ending with the close of the 31st day of March in the next year.

“(6) For the purposes of subclause (5) of this regulation, the waters of Keneperu Sound are the waters lying inside a straight line running from Koutuwai Point (at approximately 41° 12.65’S and 173° 52.30’E) to an unnamed point at the southern entrance to Keneperu Sound (at approximately 41° 13.30’S and 173° 51.70’E).”

MARIE SHROFF,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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## 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 (Challenger Area Commercial Fishing) Regulations 1986.

The regulations amend regulation 2E of the principal regulations by—

(a) Prohibiting the use of longlines in Pelorus Sound:

(b) Prohibiting the use of set nets in Keneperu Sound during—

(i) The period beginning on the commencement of these regulations and ending with the close of 31 March 1997; and

(ii) Every subsequent period beginning on 1 October and ending with the close of 31 March.

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These regulations are administered in the Ministry of Fisheries.