



**THE FISH (PACKING FOR EXPORT) REGULATIONS 1977,  
AMENDMENT NO. 3**

DAVID BEATTIE, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 3rd day of August 1982

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to section 49 of the Meat Act 1981, 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 Fish (Packing for Export) Regulations 1977, Amendment No. 3, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Fish (Packing for Export) Regulations 1977\* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the 14th day after the date of their notification in the *Gazette*.

**2. Manner of processing rock lobster tails**—(1) Regulation 79 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking subclause (1) (as amended by regulation 21 of the Fish (Packing for Export) Regulations 1977, Amendment No. 2), and substituting the following subclauses:

“(1) Where rock lobsters are tailed aboard a fishing boat pursuant to regulation 77 of these regulations, the tails shall—

“(a) Have all foreign matter removed; and

\*S.R. 1977/161  
Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1978/264  
Amendment No. 2: S.R. 1981/25

- “(b) Have the intestine removed completely during the tailing operation; and
- “(c) Be washed until all visible blood is removed; and
- “(d) Be effectively drained before further handling; and
- “(e) Be put in clean bags made of flexible film, or some other material approved by the Director, or in any other manner approved by him; and
- “(f) Be placed under refrigeration in the manner specified in subclause (1A) of this regulation; and
- “(g) Be taken to a fish packing house, and, if not already frozen or processed immediately on arrival pursuant to paragraph (h) of this subclause, there frozen; and
- “(h) Be thawed in a fish packing house under conditions satisfactory to the Director and rewashed and trimmed in accordance with standards specified by the Director before being packaged; and
- “(i) Be held, after final packaging, in refrigeration facilities in which the air temperature is at or below  $-18^{\circ}\text{C}$ .
- “(1A) For the purposes of subclause (1) (f) of this regulation, the rock lobster tails shall be placed under refrigeration immediately after tailing by—
- “(a) Being placed in melt-ice and kept therein until their delivery, within 18 hours of tailing, to a fish packing house; or
- “(b) Being frozen; or
- “(c) Having their temperature reduced to not higher than  $-12^{\circ}\text{C}$  within 24 hours of being tailed and held at that temperature for not more than 21 days before being frozen.”
- (2) Subclause (1A) (c) of this regulation shall be deemed to be revoked on the 30th day of September 1983.
- (3) Regulation 21 of the Fish (Packing for Export) Regulations 1977, Amendment No. 2 is hereby consequentially amended by revoking subclauses (1) and (2).

P. G. MILLEN,  
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 specify the methods by which rock lobster tails are to be held under refrigeration before delivery to a fish packing house.

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