

Primary Industries Notices

FISHERIES MANAGEMENT ACT 1994

Section 8 Notification – Greynurse Shark Protection

I, GEOFF ALLAN, Deputy Director General Department of Primary Industries Fisheries, with the delegated authority of the Minister for Primary Industries and the Secretary of the Department of Industry, Skills and Regional Development pursuant to sections 227 and 228 of the *Fisheries Management Act 1994* (“the Act”), do by this notification:

1. pursuant to section 11 of the Act revoke the section 8 notification titled “Grey Nurse Shark Protection” and dated 21 September 2012; and
2. pursuant to section 8 of the Act prohibit the taking of any fish by any person, other than the holder of a commercial fishing licence taking fish under the authority of an endorsement in the Ocean Trap and Line Fishery, in the manner specified in Column 1 of Schedule 1 to this Notification, from the waters described opposite in Column 2 of Schedule 1.

SCHEDULE

Column 1 Prohibited methods	Column 2 Waters
All methods of line fishing using bait (whether alive or dead but excluding soft plastics, artificial baits, baits that are not animal products and baits that are not derived from animal products).	Fish Rock, Green Island, Magic Point All waters within the critical habitat of Greynurse Shark at Fish Rock, Green Island and Magic Point.
	The Steps/Anemone Bay – North Solitary Island All waters extending 200 metres in all directions around a point centred on the following coordinates: S 29°55.351’ E 153°23.355’
	Manta Arch – South Solitary Island All waters extending 200 metres in all directions around a point centred on the following coordinates: S 30°12.141’ E 153°16.086’
	Mermaid Reef All waters extending 200 metres in all directions around a point centred on the following coordinates: S 31°46.237’ E 152°48.682’

In this notification:

“*Line fishing*” means use of rod and line or handline.

“*Ocean Trap and Line Fishery*” means the share management fishery of that name, as described in Schedule 1 to the Act.

Latitude and longitude co-ordinates are in WGS 84 datum.

This notification takes effect on publication in the New South Wales Government Gazette and remains in force for a period of five (5) years from the date of publication.

Note 1: The purpose of this fishing closure is to renew protection measures for the Greynurse Shark.

Note 2: This closure does not affect the operation of Clause 22 of the *Fisheries Management (General) Regulation 2010*.

Dated this day 4th September 2017

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