



## **Rock lobster fishery notification—Maria Island Zone open**

**Date of effect: 11/12/2016**

**Supersedes: Industry Advice Notice 2016-17**

The Department of Agriculture and Water Resources (the department) has been advised by the Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and the Environment (DPIPWE), Tasmania, that rock lobster analysis results from Maria Island Zone have returned paralytic shellfish toxins (PST) below regulatory levels. DPIPWE will open the Maria Island Zone for rock lobster fishing from 00:01 Sunday 11 December 2016.

Commercial areas now open:

- Central East Zone
- Furneaux Zone
- Lower East Coast Zone
- North East Zone
- Storm Bay / Bruny Zone
- Upper East Zone

**Maria Island Zone will open on 11 December 2016.**

Detailed information in relation to the DPIPWE closures can be found at:

<http://dPIPWE.tas.gov.au/sea-fishing-aquaculture/sustainable-fisheries-management/toxic-algal-bloom-update-and-fishery-closures>

**Contact DPIPWE if you have any questions in relation to the rock lobster fishery notice.**

Recreational fishery enquiries: Ph (03) 6165 3233 or 1300 720 647

Commercial fishery enquiries: Ph (03) 6165 3045

### **Direction to export registered establishments and exporters**

The department issues this direction under order 75 of the Export Control (Fish and Fish products) Orders 2005.

To support the export of Tasmanian caught rock lobster and rock lobster products that are **sourced from areas that are open for fishing**, the following statement must be included on all Declarations of Compliance for all Tasmanian caught rock lobster and rock lobster products

**‘This rock lobster/rock lobster product has been prepared from rock lobster that has been sourced from an open fisheries area’.**

For questions regarding rock lobster exports, please contact [dairyeggfish@agriculture.gov.au](mailto:dairyeggfish@agriculture.gov.au).