

Fisheries Management (Gemfish Fishing Closure) Notification 2024

under the

Fisheries Management Act 1994

I, PETER TURNELL, Acting Executive Director General Fisheries, with the delegated authority of the Minister and the Secretary under sections 227 and 228 of the *Fisheries Management Act 1994* make the following notification under section 8 of the Act.

Dated this 26th day of September 2024



PETER TURNELL

Acting Executive Director General Fisheries
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development

1 Name of Notification

This notification is the *Fisheries Management (Gemfish Fishing Closure) Notification 2024*.

2 Commencement and duration

This notification commences on publication in the Gazette and will remain in force for five 5 years.

3 Definitions

In this notification:

Gemfish means the species of fish *Rexea solandri*.

natural coast line has the same meaning as in Schedule 1 to the Act.

ocean waters has the same meaning as in Schedule 1 to the Act.

southern fish trawl endorsement holder means a person who holds a commercial fishing licence that has an endorsement that authorises the taking of fish for sale in the southern fish trawl restricted fishery.

southern fish trawl restricted fishery means the restricted fishery of that name declared under Division 2 of Part 9 of the Regulation, and as described in clause 145 of the Regulation.

the Act means the *Fisheries Management Act 1994*.

the Regulation means the *Fisheries Management (General) Regulation 2019*.

Note: Pursuant to section 11 of the *Interpretation Act 1987*, unless otherwise specified, words in this notification have the same meaning as in the Act.

4 Fishing closure

For the purposes of section 8 of the Act, a southern fish trawl endorsement holder is prohibited from taking Gemfish from ocean waters less than 3 nautical miles from the natural coast line and south of a line drawn due east from Barrenjoey Head.

Fisheries Management (Recreational Fishing Gemfish Possession) Order 2024

under the

Fisheries Management Act 1994

I, PETER TURNELL, Acting Executive Director Fisheries, with the delegated authority of the Minister and the Secretary under sections 227 and 228 of the *Fisheries Management Act 1994*, make the following order under section 17C of the Act.

Dated this 26th day of September 2024



PETER TURNELL

Acting Executive Director Fisheries

Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development

1 Name of Order

This order is the *Fisheries Management (Recreational Fishing Gemfish Possession) Order 2024*.

2 Commencement and duration

This Order commences on publication in the Gazette and will remain in force for 5 years.

3 Definitions

In this order:

Gemfish means the species *Rexea solandri*.

the Act means the *Fisheries Management Act 1994*.

Note: Pursuant to section 11 of the *Interpretation Act 1987*, unless otherwise specified, words in this order have the same meaning as in the Act.

4 Possession limit

- (1) This clause imposes a possession limit for Gemfish on a recreational fisher on a boat with other persons.
- (2) For the purposes of section 17C, the Act, the possession limit for Gemfish for each recreational fisher on a boat with other persons is determined by the number of Gemfish possessed by other persons on the boat set out in Column 1 of Table 1 and is the number in Column 2 of Table 1.

- (3) The possession limit applies if the recreational fisher is in possession of Gemfish in or on or adjacent to any waters or is transporting or storing the Gemfish.

Table 1

Column 1	Column 2
Total number of Gemfish in the possession of other persons on the boat with the recreational fisher	Possession limit
10	0
9	1
8	2
7	2
6	2
5	2
4	2
3	2
2	2
1	2
0	2

Note: Clause 8, Fisheries Management (General) Regulation 2019 and Schedule 1 of the Regulation imposes daily bag limits and possession limits for Gemfish.