

Fisheries Management (Purple Sea Urchin Spatial Restriction Special Approval) Order 2022

under the

Fisheries Management Act 1994

I, Sean Sloan, Deputy Director General Fisheries, with the delegated authority of the Minister and Secretary under sections 227 and 228 of the *Fisheries Management Act 1994* (**the Act**), make this order under section 37 of the Act.

Dated this 12th day of December 2022



Sean Sloan

Deputy Director General Fisheries
Department of Primary Industries
Department of Regional NSW

Part 1 Preliminary

1. Name of Order

This Order is the *Fisheries Management (Purple Sea Urchin Spatial Restriction Special Approval) Order 2022*.

2. Commencement and duration

- (1) This order commences on 1 January 2023.
- (2) This order remains in force for 3 years commencing on the date of publication.

3. Definitions

In this Order:

endorsement holder means a person who holds a sea urchin endorsement and includes the nominated fisher of that endorsement holder.

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

nominated fisher of a fishing business owner means a person nominated to take fish in the sea urchin and turban shell restricted fishery on behalf of endorsement holder.

Purple Sea Urchin means the species *Centrostephanus rodgersii*.

sea urchin and turban shell restricted fishery means the restricted fishery declared under Division 1 of Part 9 of the General Regulation.

sea urchin endorsement means an endorsement on a commercial fishing licence that authorises the holder of the licence to take sea urchin for sale.

Part 2 Special approval for authorised purposes

3. Taking of Purple Sea Urchin

- (1) Despite clause 140 of the General Regulation, an endorsement holder may take Purple Sea Urchin from the waters in the Table to that clause.
- (2) Before proceeding to sea, an endorsement holder must notify the local District Fisheries office in writing of:
 - (a) the date and time at which the endorsement holder proposes to take Purple Sea Urchin,
 - (b) the number of the fishing business of which the sea urchin endorsement is a component,
 - (c) the name of the endorsement holder,
 - (d) the registration number of the commercial fishing licence of the endorsement holder,
 - (e) the proposed location of any fishing activity, and
 - (f) the proposed location at which the endorsement holder will launch the boat used to take Purple Sea Urchin and land the catch of Purple Sea Urchin.
- (3) On a day on which the endorsement holder takes Purple Sea Urchin, the endorsement holder must not take any other species of fish.

Note: This order does not authorise harming (or attempting to harm) Purple Sea Urchin in a marine park or an aquatic reserve contrary to any regulations or instruments made under the *Marine Estate Management Act 2014*.