

*Fish Resources Management Act 1994*

## Section 7

**INSTRUMENT OF EXEMPTION**

I, Nathan Harrison, Executive Director Fisheries and Aquaculture, as delegate of the Minister for Fisheries, pursuant to Section 7(1) of the *Fish Resources Management Act 1994*, do hereby exempt the class of persons specified in **Schedule 1**, from clause 43(4a) of the *West Coast Rock Lobster Managed Fishery Management Plan 2012 (the Plan)* that would otherwise prevent the persons from lawfully pursuing the activity specified in **Schedule 2**, for the period specified in **Schedule 3**, for the purposes specified in **Schedule 4**, subject to the conditions specified in **Schedule 5**.

**Schedule 1****Persons**

- a) The Master of an authorised boat operating in Zone A under the authority of a West Coast Rock Lobster Managed Fishery Licence that is delivering rock lobster to licensed carrier boats CBL1013 or CBL1014.
- b) Geraldton Fishermen's Co-Operative Ltd and KB Seafood Company PTY LTD, registered receivers in accordance with the Plan, operating under the authority of fish processors licences PROL1013, PROL1015, PROL1080, PROL1086, and PROL1133.

**Schedule 2****Activity**

Determination of the gross weight of rock lobster other than in accordance with the Plan such that the gross weight declared by the Master of an authorised boat in a post-landing nomination under clause 36(6) of the Plan is taken to be the gross weight of the consignment of rock lobster that was taken under the authority of the licence for the purposes of determining both the net weight declared by the Master and the registered receiver.

**Schedule 3****Period**

This instrument of exemption is valid from the signing of this exemption until 30 June 2026.

**Schedule 4****Purposes**

For the purposes described under section 7(2)(e) of the *Fish Resources Management Act 1994*: specifically, to provide for a practical means for determining use of entitlement when lobsters are delivered to the carrier boats named in this instrument.

**Schedule 5**

### Conditions

The following conditions apply to persons operating under the authority of this exemption:

1. The Master of an authorised boat must ensure each container is clearly labelled with a unique identifier on the lid and side, with the label to be not less than 40 mm in height and not less than 10 mm wide.
2. The Master of an authorised boat delivering rock lobster to a carrier boat must photograph the weight recorded on the scales, with the identifier on all containers to which the weight relates being visible in the photograph (allowing for multiple containers to be weighed together).
3. A person who is required to take photographs referred to in **Condition 2** must send these photographs, or a link to them via text or email to [Fisheye.Support@dpird.wa.gov.au](mailto:Fisheye.Support@dpird.wa.gov.au) and include the post-landing nomination for reference.
4. The Master of the carrier boat must keep a record of the authorised Master's post-landing nomination receipt number issued by FishEye.
5. The Master of the carrier boat must only deliver lobster to the premises of a registered receiver in the Geraldton approved landing area (landing area 9).
6. The registered receiver must record the Carrier Boat Licence number and Master's post-landing nomination in Part B of the registered receiver consignment form.



Nathan Harrison  
**Executive Director Fisheries and Aquaculture**  
**as delegate of the MINISTER FOR FISHERIES**  
Dated the 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025