

***Fish Resources Management Act 1994*****Section 7****INSTRUMENT OF EXEMPTION**

I, Joanne Kennedy, Manager Aquatic Resource Management, as delegate of the Minister for Fisheries, pursuant to section 7(1) of the *Fish Resources Management Act 1994*, HEREBY EXEMPT the class of persons specified in **Schedule 1** from Clause 68(1) of the *West Coast Rock Lobster Managed Fishery Management Plan 2012* and any other provisions of the *Fish Resources Management Act 1994* and its subsidiary legislation, that would otherwise prevent those persons from carrying out the activities specified in **Schedule 2**, for the period specified in **Schedule 3** for the purpose specified in **Schedule 4**, subject to the conditions specified in **Schedule 5**.

**Schedule 1  
Persons**

The master of an authorised boat and all persons operating under the authority of a West Coast Rock Lobster Managed Fishery Licence.

**Schedule 2  
Activity**

To fish for rock lobster from an authorised boat with more pots than the licence permits under clause 68(1) of the *West Coast Rock Lobster Managed Fishery Management Plan 2012*.

**Schedule 3  
Period**

This Exemption is valid from date of signing to 31 October 2027.

**Schedule 4  
Purpose**

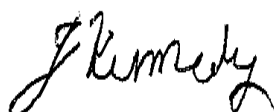
To assist small entitlement fishers during whale migration season restrictions by permitting the use of additional rock lobster pots pursuant to section 7(2)(e).

**Schedule 5  
Conditions**

- 1) The master of an authorised boat must not use more than the number of pots subject to **Table 1** based on current entitlement under the Managed Fishery Licence they are operating during the period 1 May to 31 October each year.
- 2) A master operating under a Managed Fishery Licence with a current entitlement of less than 600 units may deploy pots in accordance with their full entitlement, calculated at current entitlement of units multiplied by 0.1.

**Table 1.** *The number of current units of entitlement under the relevant Managed Fishery Licence and the corresponding number of pots allowed under this exemption*

Current Entitlements (units)	Number of pots allowed under exemption
600	60
610-700	63
710-800	66
810-900	69
910-1000	72
1010-1100	75
1110-1200	78
1210-1300	81
1310-1400	84
1410-1500	87
1510-1600	90
1610-1700	93
1710-1800	96
1810-1900	99
1910-2000	100



**Joanne Kennedy**  
**MANAGER, AQUATIC RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**  
 as delegate of the **MINISTER FOR FISHERIES**

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