



New South Wales

Fisheries Management (General) Amendment (Prawn Net Hauling) Regulation 1996

under the

Fisheries Management Act 1994

His Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Fisheries Management Act 1994*.

Bob Martin

Minister for Mineral Resources and Minister for Fisheries

Explanatory note

The object of this Regulation is to allow commercial fishers to use a prawn net (hauling) in certain parts of Wallis Lake, subject to specific size and operational requirements. For instance, the maximum length of any hauling line that may be used in conjunction with the net is 200 metres.

This Regulation is made under the *Fisheries Management Act 1994*, including section 24 (Lawful use of nets or traps) and section 289 (the general regulation making power).

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1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the *Fisheries Management (General) Amendment (Prawn Net Hauling) Regulation 1996*,

2 Commencement

This Regulation commences on 25 October 1996.

3 Amendment of Fisheries Management (General) Regulation 1995

The *Fisheries Management (General) Regulation 1995* is amended as set out in Schedule 1.

4 Notes

The explanatory note does not form part of this Regulation.

Schedule 1 Amendments

(Clause 3)

[1] Clause 29 Prawn net (hauling)

Omit “and the Manning River” from item 11 of the Table to clause 29.

Insert instead “, the Manning River and the waters described in the Table to clause 30A”.

[2] Clause 30A

Insert after clause 30:

30A Prawn net (hauling): Wallis Lake

- (1) It is lawful to use a hauling net for taking prawns in the waters described in the Table to this clause if the net (including hauling lines) complies with the description set out in relation to those waters in that Table and the conditions set out in this clause are complied with.
- (2) The net must be used only by the method of hauling, and must not be set or staked at any time.
- (3) The net must be shot and hauled as follows:
 - (a) The end of the hauling line first shot (or laid out) must be attached to a stationary boat that is secured by an anchor or post during the entire haul operation. There must be no motor in or on the boat. The boat must not contain any rope other than the mooring line and a maximum of 200 metres of hauling rope.
 - (b) The line must then be shot (or laid out) from a motor boat, and the net then shot.
 - (c) The second hauling line must then be shot (or laid out) from the motor boat as the boat moves in a circular path so as to return to the stationary boat from where the first hauling line was shot.
 - (d) The second hauling line must be attached to a point on the motor boat by the line's extremity only (that is, one end must be attached to the net, and the other end secured to the boat to prevent loss of the line overboard).
 - (e) The second hauling line must not be towed until all of it has been shot away free of tangles, knots or anything else that would effectively shorten it.
 - (f) Once the shooting and hauling of the net have commenced, the operation must continue until the hauling lines have been removed from the water and the net landed in such depth of water, or onto the tray of the boat in such a way, as to enable any prohibited size fish taken in the net to escape.

- (g) Once any prohibited size fish have been allowed to escape, the net must be fully removed from the water.
- (4) The net must be operated in accordance with the determination (if any) by the fisheries officer for the time being charged with the supervision of the waters in which the net is being used as to the number of commercial fishers to constitute the crew operating the net.
- (5) For the purposes of this Regulation or any other instrument under the Act, a net described in this clause may be referred to as a prawn net (hauling).

TABLE

PRAWN NET (HAULING): WALLIS LAKE

1. (a) *Waters*—That part of the Coolongolook and Wallingat Rivers upstream from a line across the river from a post marked FD8 due north of the eastern extremity of Junction Point, then due south to Junction Point, then generally south by the western foreshore of the Wallingat River to a post marked FD9, then extending across the Wallingat River on a bearing of 87 degrees to a jetty situated on the north-western foreshore of Lot 1, DP 589944.
- (b) *Description of net*—Total length not exceeding 40 metres; mesh throughout not less than 30 mm nor more than 36 mm; no attachments except spreader poles and hauling lines; hauling line run on the first leg to the net must not be longer than 200 metres; a marker buoy must be affixed to the hauling line every 50 metres along the line; the hauling line running from the net to the motor boat used to assist in shooting the net must not be longer than 50 metres.
2. (a) *Water*—That part of the Wallamba River from a line drawn from the northern foreshore of the entrance of Muddy Creek to the eastern extremity of Hardy's Point upstream to the Pacific Highway Road Bridge at Nabiatic.

- (b) *Description of net*—Total length not exceeding 40 metres; mesh throughout not less than 30 mm nor more than 36 mm; no attachments except spreader poles and hauling lines; hauling line run on the first leg to the net must not be longer than 200 metres; a marker buoy must be affixed to the hauling line every 50 metres along the line; the hauling line running from the net to the motor boat used to assist in shooting the net must not be longer than 50 metres.