



Update - Export restrictions lifted for rock lobster from Tasmania

Date of effect: 09/02/2013

DAFF issues this direction in writing under the *Export Control (Fish and Fish Products) Orders 2005*, Order 75, directing exporters and export registered establishments to comply with the following requirements for rock lobster for export from Tasmania until further notice.

The direction applies to the species, *Janus edwardsii* (Southern rock lobster).

DAFF has been advised by the Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water & Environment (DPIPWE) that the remaining closed parts of the Tasmanian East Coast Lobster Fishery were re-opened at 7.00am on 9 February 2013 to commercial lobster fishing.

The areas reopened to commercial rock lobster fishing are from St Helens Point to the southern end of Marion Bay.

Contact DPIPWE for more information about openings and closures.

See the following link for additional information:

<http://www.dpiw.tas.gov.au/inter.nsf/WebPages/SWIS-92A3LI?open>

The Tasmanian Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has lifted their public health notice advising the public not to consume rock lobster sourced from these parts of the fishery. For more information about public health warnings go to the DHHS website at <http://www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/news>.

NOTE: For queries regarding rock lobster export, please contact fish@daff.gov.au.