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**Inshore Crab and Net Fisheries**

**Proposed Amendments to the Fisheries Regulation 2008**

**Demographics**

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| Name |  |
| Are you a QSIA member? |  |
| How many years have you worked in the Queensland seafood industry? |  |
| In which part of industry do you work?   * Wild harvest (e.g. Crab, Line, Net and/or Trawl) * Post-harvest (e.g. Retail, Wholesale and Processor) * Other |  |

**Example Response**

| **Proposed Amendments** | **Please advise if you:**   1. **Support** 2. **Not Supported** | **Industry Feedback**  **Please provide up to 5 dot points in your feedback** |
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| 3. Requirement for bycatch reduction devices to be used in line with best practice.  Page 5 of the Discussion Paper | Support | * Agree with the amendment. |

**Part 1. Proposed changes that apply to all sectors – Dot Point 1 of the discussion paper**

| **Proposed Amendments** | **Please advise if you:**   1. **Support** 2. **Not Supported** | **Industry Feedback**  **Please provide up to 5 dot points in your feedback** |
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| 1. Amend the king threadfin minimum legal-size limit.  Page 5 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |

**Part 2. Proposed commercial fishing changes that apply across multiple fisheries – Dot Points 2 to 5 of the discussion paper**

| **Proposed Amendments** | **Please advise if you:**   1. **Support** 2. **Not Supported** | **Industry Feedback**  **Please provide up to 5 dot points in your feedback** |
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| 2. Requirement for a Commercial Fishing Boat Licence and relevant fishery symbol to hold new individual transferable quota units.  Page 5 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |
| 3. Requirement for bycatch reduction devices to be used in line with best practice.  Page 5 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |
| 4. Allow issue of a general fisheries permit to trial new and alternative gear types to support innovation within the commercial fishing industry.  Page 6 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |
| 5. Amend provisions relating to the processing of sharks at sea by commercial fishers.  Page 6 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |

**Part 3. Proposed commercial fishing changes to Queensland Crab fisheries – Dot Points 6 to 12 of the discussion paper**

| **Proposed Amendments** | **Please advise if you:**   1. **Support** 2. **Not Supported** | **Industry Feedback**  **Please provide up to 5 dot points in your feedback** |
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| 6. Divide the existing Queensland Commercial Crab Fishery (C1) into three management areas and establish a separate total allowable commercial catch (TACC) based on sustainable catch limits for each management area.  Page 6 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |
| 7. Allocate individual transferable quota (ITQ) for mud crab and blue swimmer crab for the Queensland Commercial Crab Fishery (C1).  Pages 6-7 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |
| 8. Introduce tagging of commercially caught mud crabs.  Page 7 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |
| 9. Increase the number of pots allowed in offshore waters in the blue swimmer crab fishery.  Page 7 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |
| 10. Clarify the take period for blue swimmer crab caught in the East Coast Trawl Fishery (Moreton Bay).  Page 7 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |
| 11. Prohibit the use of net apparatus to take crab.  Page 7 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |
| 12. Amend the commercial spanner crab dilly limit.  Page 8 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |

**Part 4. Proposed commercial fishing changes to the East Coast Inshore Fishery – Dot Points 19 to 28 of the discussion paper**

| **Proposed Amendments** | **Please advise if you:**   1. **Support** 2. **Not Supported** | **Industry Feedback**  **Please provide up to 5 dot points in your feedback** |
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| 19. Divide the existing East Coast Inshore Fishery into six management areas and establish a separate total allowable commercial catch (TACC) based on sustainable catch limits for each management area (MA 1–6).  Page 10 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |
| 20. Allocate individual transferable quota (ITQ) for tier 1 inshore species, barramundi, king threadfin, grey mackerel, school mackerel and whiting in the East Coast Inshore Fishery.  Page 11 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |
| 21. Establish total allowable commercial catch (TACC) limits for tier 2 inshore species in the East Coast Inshore Fishery.  Page 11 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |
| 22. Establish best management practice accreditation of commercial fishing operators.  Page 11 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |
| 23. Introduce individual fisher accountability for protected species interactions.  Page 11 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |
| 24. Permit the commercial use of lift nets under the N11 symbol.  Page 11 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |
| 25. Amend the use of river set nets under the N2 fishery symbol.  Page 12 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |
| 26. Amend the maximum mesh size under the N1 and N2 fishery symbols.  Page 12 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |
| 27. Implement a maximum ply rating for use in nearshore and offshore (N1, N2 and N4) net fisheries.  Page 12 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |
| 28. Amend the incidental shark catch limits for commercial line fishers.  Page 12 of the Discussion Paper |  |  |