



# Small-Scale Fishing: Permit Conditions: Traditional Linefish (Zone A)

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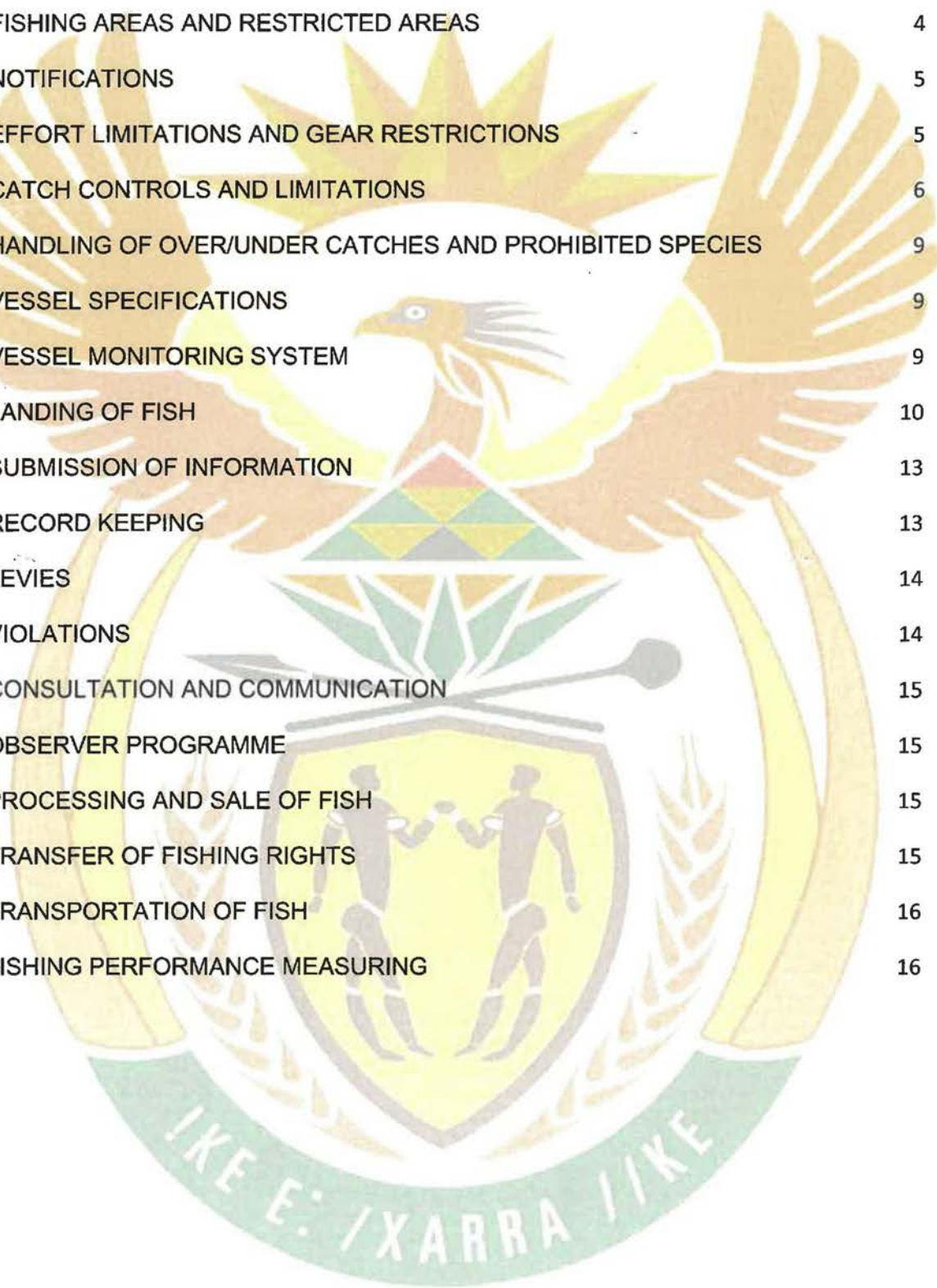
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**1. APPLICABLE ACTS, POLICIES AND DELEGATIONS**

1.1 This permit is issued subject to the provisions and regulations of the following laws but not limited to:

- 1.1.1 The Marine Living Resources Act, 1998 (Act No. 18 of 1998) (MLRA) and regulations promulgated thereunder;
- 1.1.2 The National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No.107 of 1998) (NEMA), and regulations promulgated thereunder;
- 1.1.3 The National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act, 2004 (Act No. 10 of 2004) (NEMBA) and regulations promulgated thereunder;
- 1.1.4 The National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act, 2003 (Act No. 57 of 2003) (NEMPA) and regulations promulgated thereunder;
- 1.1.5 The National Environmental Management: Integrated Coastal Management Act, 2008 (Act No.24 of 2008) (NEMA:ICMA) and regulations promulgated thereunder;
- 1.1.6 National Environmental Management Waste Act (Act No. 59 of 2008) (NEMWA) and the Regulations promulgated thereunder;
- 1.1.7 The Sea Birds and Seals Protection Act, 1973 (Act No. 46 of 1973) (SBSPA) and regulations promulgated thereunder;
- 1.1.8 The Fire Arms Controls Act, 2000 (Act No. 60 of 2000) (FACA) and regulations promulgated thereunder;
- 1.1.9 The International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships Act, 1986 (Act No. 2 of 1986) (ICPPSA) and regulations promulgated thereunder;
- 1.1.10 South African Maritime Safety Authority Act, 1998 (Act 5 of 1998) (SAMSAA) and regulations promulgated thereunder;
- 1.1.11 The Animals Protection Act, 1962 (Act No. 71 of 1962) (APA) and the Regulations promulgated thereunder;
- 1.1.12 The Standards Act, 2008 (Act No. 8 of 2008) (SA) and the Regulations promulgated thereunder;
- 1.1.13 The National Regulator for Compulsory Specifications Act, 2008 (Act No. 5 of 2008) (NRCSA) and the Regulations promulgated thereunder;
- 1.1.14 National Ports Authority Act, 2005 (Act No. 12 of 2005) (NPAA) and the Regulations promulgated thereunder; and
- 1.1.15 The Companies Act, 2008 (Act No. 71 of 2008) (CA) and the Regulations promulgated thereunder.
- 1.1.16 The Marine Living Resources Act of 1998 ("the MLRA"), as amended in 2014 ("the Amendment Act") and Regulations relating to Small-Scale Fishing , 2015 ("the Regulations").

1.2 This permit is issued subject to the further provisions of the following policies:

- 1.2.1 Small-Scale Fishing Policy, 2012
- 1.2.2 Constitution of the small-scale fishing co-operative;
- 1.2.3 Specific grant of right conditions outlined to the fishing right holder.

1.3 The Director: Small-Scale Fisheries Management (SSFM) shall be entitled to amend these permit conditions after consultation with the relevant stakeholders. In case of emergency the D: SSM shall be entitled to amend without consultation.

1.4 Any reference to the Permit Holder in these permit conditions includes the co-operative in whose name the long-term Small-scale commercial fishing right is allocated to ("the Right Holder") by the Minister or the delegated authority.

## **2. VALIDITY OF PERMIT**

2.1 This permit shall be valid for the period indicated in Section A ("the permit")

2.2 This permit shall automatically expire and be invalid should one or more of the following occur:

2.2.1 the right be cancelled or revoked in terms of Section 28 of the MLRA;

2.2.2 the permit be cancelled, suspended or revoked in terms of Section 28 of the MLRA; and

2.2.3 the fishing season is closed, terminated or ends.

## **3. FISHING AREAS AND RESTRICTED AREAS**

3.1 This permit is valid only in South African waters within the Geographic Management Zone A (excluding tidal lagoons, tidal rivers and estuaries).

(a) Zone A – Port Nolloth to Cape Infanta, being the area bounded by the international border between Namibia and South Africa at the Orange River seaward and westward of an imaginary line running due south (180° True) from the light house at Cape Infanta.

(b) The imaginary border line at Cape Infanta must be understood to have a five nautical mile (5nm) buffer area on each side. In the buffer area permit holders from the adjacent Zone A and Zone B may harvest Traditional Linefish.

3.2 The Permit Holder or any of its employees or agents shall not undertake fishing, or take or destroy any fauna or flora, or in any way disturb, alter or destroy the natural environment, or carry out any activity which may adversely impact on the ecosystems in Marine Protected Areas (MPA's) except where so permitted by the legislation.

- 3.3 A vessel is not allowed to stop or fish in any Marine Protected Area, or any other similar marine protected or conservation area.
- 3.4 In case of emergency, the Permit Holder shall notify the Department before the fishing vessel enters or intends to enter into a Marine Protected Area or any other area closed for fishing. The notification shall describe the nature of emergency and the reason required for entering the area. Such request shall be sent via e-mail to: [vmsops@dffe.gov.za](mailto:vmsops@dffe.gov.za) or faxed to: (021) 425 6497 or phone to: 021 402 3077/76.

#### 4. NOTIFICATIONS

- 4.1 In the event where the permit holder requires a short-term relief onboard the nominated vessel due to unforeseen circumstances, the Permit Holder shall notify the Local Fishery Control Officer either by fax or SMS indicating the name and the identity of the representative. If the permit holder put in more than one short term relief request during a month or make such a request for two consecutive months, the local Fishery Control Officer must refer such requests to the Director: Inshore Fisheries Management for consideration and a decision. Short term relief may only be granted for a maximum period of seven consecutive days, should the period exceed seven consecutive days, the Permit Holder must obtain written permission from the Director: Small-Scale Fisheries Management.
- 4.2 The Permit Holder shall submit to the Department (Right Holder Information, Attention: Deputy Director: Small-Scale Fisheries Management, The Customer Services Centre, Ground Floor, Foretrust Building, Martin Hammerschlag Way, Foreshore, Cape Town, or Private Bag X2, Vlaeberg, 8018,) notification of any change of contact details within 30 days of such change by completing the application form available at the Customer Services Centre.

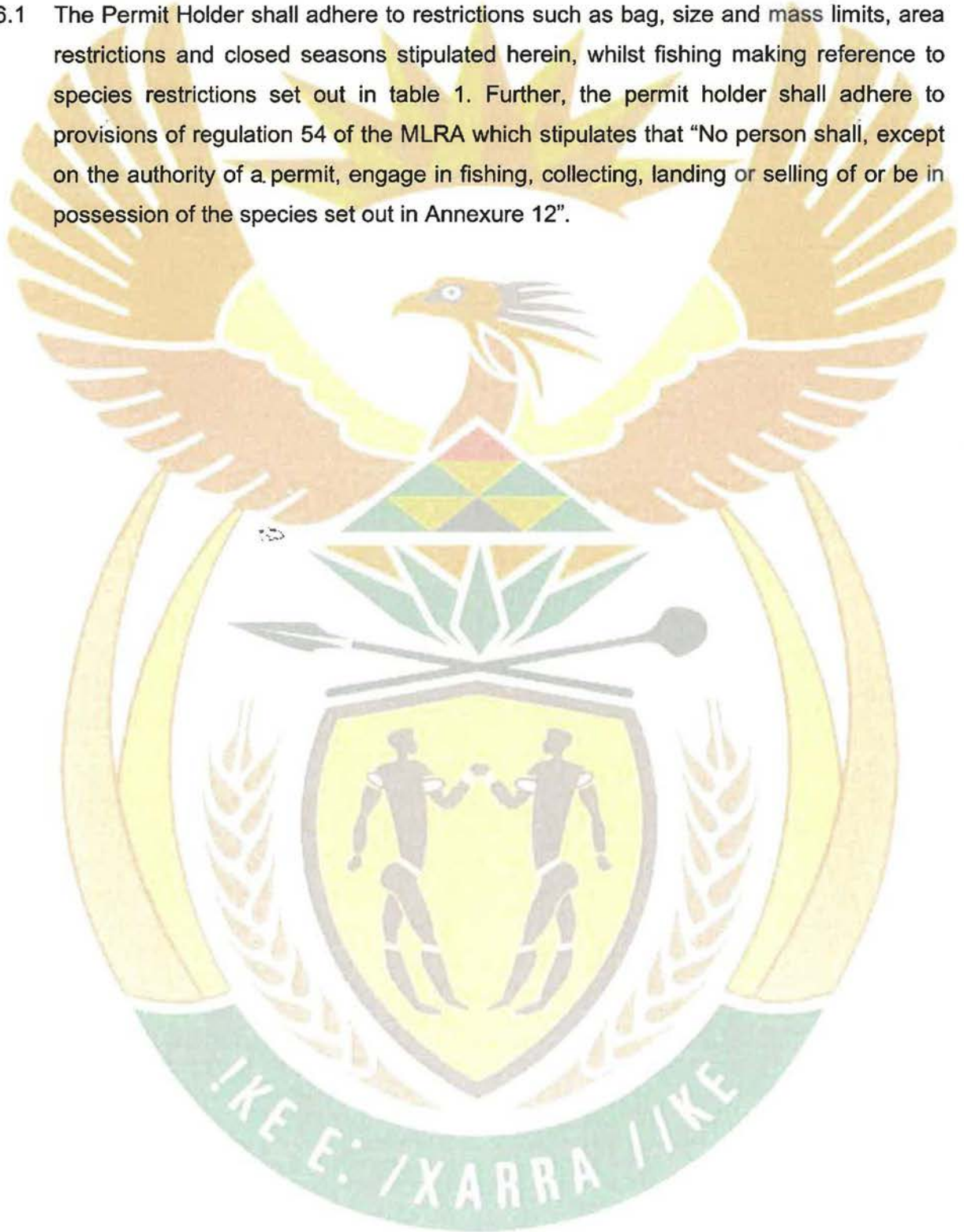
#### 5. EFFORT LIMITATIONS AND GEAR RESTRICTIONS

- 5.1 The Permit Holder shall only utilise the maximum number of crew approved for the vessel, as set out in the permit. For this purpose, "crew" includes the Permit Holder or his/her duly authorised representative and any person on board such a vessel.
- 5.2 The use of any line or connected lines or fishing gear to which a total of more than ten (10) fishing hooks is attached is prohibited.
- 5.3 **Multi-sector involvement:** The Permit Holder may not utilise any other permit afforded to him/her whilst operating in terms of the provisions of this permit. The Permit Holder shall only activate his/her permit on an authorised commercial fishing

vessel and no recreational fishing shall be conducted on any Traditional Linefish commercial fishing boat.

## 6. CATCH CONTROLS AND LIMITATIONS

- 6.1 The Permit Holder shall adhere to restrictions such as bag, size and mass limits, area restrictions and closed seasons stipulated herein, whilst fishing making reference to species restrictions set out in table 1. Further, the permit holder shall adhere to provisions of regulation 54 of the MLRA which stipulates that “No person shall, except on the authority of a permit, engage in fishing, collecting, landing or selling of or be in possession of the species set out in Annexure 12”.



**TABLE 1. SPECIES SPECIFIC REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO HOLDERS OF A COMMERCIAL TRADITIONAL LINEFISH PERMIT**

1. The taxa, i.e. genus (denoted by "spp."), family or class mentioned in this Annexure refer to all species in the genus, family or class, as the case may be.
2. The size of the fish shall be measured in a straight line from the tip of the snout to the extreme end of the tail.
3. All fish that are landed, except sharks, rays, skates, and chimaeras (Class Chondrichthyes), must have the head and tail intact such that it can be established whether the fish conforms to the minimum size and / or mass, provided that it may be gutted.
4. Any fish caught in contravention of the provisions of the Act or the permit conditions must immediately be returned to the sea with as little injury as possible.
5. All species in the taxon Pisces not listed in this Table (e.g. yellowtail) may be caught and sold in unlimited quantities by the Permit Holder.
6. Special note should be taken of the size, bag & area limitations with regards to kob (*Argyrosomus* spp.)
7. Squid may be caught for own use only and may not be sold.

**THE PERMIT HOLDER SHALL NOT CATCH, LAND, BE IN POSSESSION OF, OR SELL SPECIES LISTED IN THE "PROHIBITED SPECIES LIST"**

PROHIBITED SPECIES LIST	
COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME
Baardman (bellman, tasselfish)	<i>Umbrina</i> spp.
Banded galjoen	<i>Dichistius multifasciatus</i>
Basking shark	<i>Cetorhinus maximus</i>
Billfishes (marlin, sailfish)	Family Istiophoridae
Blacktail (dassie)	<i>Diplodus sargus capensis</i>
Brindle bass	<i>Promicrops lanceolatus</i>
Bronze bream (bluefish)	<i>Pachymetopon grande</i>
Cape knifejaw	<i>Oplegnathus conwayi</i>
Cape stumpnose	<i>Rhabdosargus holubi</i>
Galjoen	<i>Dichistius capensis</i>
Garrick (leervis)	<i>Lichia amia</i>
Coelacanth	<i>Latimeria chalumnae</i>
Great white shark	<i>Carcharodon carcharias</i>
John Brown	<i>Gymnocrotaphus curvidens</i>
Kingfishes	<i>Caranx</i> spp. and <i>Carangoides</i> spp.
Large-spot pompano (moony, wave garrick)	<i>Trachinotus botla</i>
Leopard cat shark	<i>Poroderma pantherinum</i>
Natal knifejaw (cuckoo bass)	<i>Oplegnathus robinsoni</i>
Natal stumpnose (yellowfin bream)	<i>Rhabdosargus sarba</i>
Natal wrasse	<i>Anchichoerops natalensis</i>
Pipefish & seahorses	Family Syngnathidae
Potato bass	<i>Epinephelus tukula</i>
Ragged tooth shark	<i>Carcharias Taurus</i>
Red steenbras (copper steenbras)	<i>Petrus rupestris</i>
River bream (perch)	<i>Acanthopagrus</i> sp.
River snapper (rock salmon)	<i>Lutjanus argentimaculatus</i>
Sawfishes	Family Pristidae
Seventy-four	<i>Polysteganus undulosus</i>
Southern pompano	<i>Trachinotus africanus</i>
Spotted grunter (tiger)	<i>Pomadasys commersonii</i>
Spotted gulley shark	<i>Triakis megalopterus</i>
Springer (ten pounder)	<i>Elops machnata</i>
Stonebream	<i>Neoscorpis lithophilus</i>
Striped cat shark	<i>Poroderma africanum</i>
Swordfish	<i>Xiphias gladius</i>
West coast steenbras	<i>Lithognathus aureti</i>
Whale shark	<i>Rhinocodon typus</i>

White musselcracker (brusher, cracker)	<i>Sparodon durbanensis</i>
White steenbras (pignose grunter)	<i>Lithognathus lithognathus</i>
Zebra (wildeperd)	<i>Diplodus cervinus hottentotus</i>

**TABLE 1 continues**

The permit holder shall not on any one day land or be in possession of more than the species-specific bag limits as indicated in the "species list" below multiplied by the number of crew onboard the vessel up to the maximum number as stipulated in the allocated right. Furthermore, the permit holder may offer for sale the species listed in the "species list" within the restrictions indicated, except for squid (point 7 above).

SPECIES LIST					
COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	MINIMUM SIZE/ MASS	BAG LIMITS	CLOSED SEASON	AREA RESTRICTION
Carpenter (silverfish)	<i>Argyrozona argyrozona</i>	35 cm	Unlimited		
Caiface (brown spotted) rockcod	<i>Epinephelus andersoni</i>	50 cm	5		
Dageraad	<i>Chrysoblephus cristiceps</i>	40 cm	1		
Elf (shad)	<i>Pomatomus saltatrix</i>	30 cm	Unlimited	1 October to 30 November in any year	No elf to be landed or sold in KZN
Englishman	<i>Chrysoblephus anglicus</i>	40 cm	Unlimited		
Geelbek (Cape salmon)	<i>Atractoscion aequidens</i>	60 cm	Unlimited		
Hake (stockfish)	<i>Merluccius capensis</i> & <i>M. paradoxus</i>		5		
Hottentot	<i>Pachymetopon blochii</i>	22 cm	Unlimited		
Kingklip	<i>Genypterus capensis</i>		1		
Kob	<i>Argyrosomus</i> spp.	50 cm	Unlimited		West of Cape Agulhas only
Kob	<i>Argyrosomus</i> spp.	50 cm	Unlimited, but may only land or be in possession of one kob > 110 cm per day		Cape Agulhas to Umtamvuna River
Kob	<i>Argyrosomus</i> spp.	40 cm			The Province of KwaZulu-Natal
Pinky (piggy)	<i>Pomadasys olivaceum</i>	75 mm	Unlimited		
Poenskop (black steenbras or musselcracker)	<i>Cymatoceps nasutus</i>	50 cm	1		
Red stumpnose (Miss Lucy)	<i>Chrysoblephus gibbiceps</i>	30 cm	Unlimited		
Roman	<i>Chrysoblephus laticeps</i>	30 cm	Unlimited		
Santer (soldier)	<i>Cheimerus nufar</i>	30 cm	Unlimited		
Scotsman	<i>Polysteganus praeorbitalis</i>	40 cm	1		
Slinger	<i>Chrysoblephus puniceus</i>	25 cm	Unlimited		
Snoek (Cape snoek)	<i>Thyrsites atun</i>	60 cm	Unlimited		
Strepie (karanteen)	<i>Sarpa salpa</i>	15 cm	Unlimited		
Squid (Chokka)	<i>Loligo vulgaris reynaudii</i>		20	18 October to 22 November in any year.	
Tunas (tunny)	<i>Thunnus</i> spp.				
Albacore	<i>Thunnus alalunga</i>				
Bigeye tuna	<i>Thunnus obesus</i>	3.2 kg			
Bluefin tuna	<i>Thunnus thynnus</i>	6.4 kg			
Yellowfin tuna	<i>Thunnus albacares</i>	3.2 kg			
White edged (Captain Fine) rockcod	<i>Epinephelus albomarginatus</i>	40 cm	Unlimited		
White stumpnose	<i>Rhabdosargus globiceps</i>	25 cm	Unlimited		
Yellowbelly rockcod	<i>Epinephelus marginatus</i>	60 cm	1		
All species in the superclass <i>Pisces</i> not listed in this annexure (e.g. yellowtail)			Unlimited		



- 6.2 The Permit Holder shall not on any one day exceed or be in possession of more than the stipulated Linefish bag limits. Therefore daily bag limits may not be accumulated over the duration of a trip, thus for all practical purposes daily bag limits are also trip limits.

## 7. HANDLING OF OVER/UNDER CATCHES AND PROHIBITED SPECIES

- 7.1 No upper limit is set on total landings for the Traditional Linefish commercial fishing sector except the species specific bag limits. No prohibited species may be landed whilst operating in terms of the permit.
- 7.2 In the event that the Permit Holder catches any fish which may not be landed or possessed, such fish must be returned to the sea immediately, irrespective if it is dead or alive

## 8. VESSEL SPECIFICATIONS

- 8.1 The Permit Holder shall only utilize a vessel that is compliant with all requirements as set out by the South African Maritime Safety Authority (SAMSA).
- 8.2 The vessel shall be fitted with an approved and functional VMS.
- 8.3 The Permit Holder shall not use the nominated fishing vessel unless it bears the registration letters and numbers assigned thereto by the Director-General. Such letters and numbers shall be painted in white on a black background or in black on a white background on both bows in characters not less than 15 cm in height, 10 cm in breadth (figure "1" excepted) and 2 cm in thickness (width of stroke). The space between adjacent letters and figures shall be between 2 cm and 5 cm.
- 8.4 The Permit Holder shall display, on the vessel next to the registration letters and numbers (area number) assigned to the vessel by the Director-General, the letters "SSFLT" (Small-Scale Fisheries Traditional Linefish) followed by the number of crew and the zone of operation reflected in Section A of the permit (e.g. **CT415 SSFLT 8 ZA**).
- 8.5 Only the SAMSA approved measurement is regarded as the "vessel length".

## 9. VESSEL MONITORING SYSTEM

- 9.1 The Permit Holder shall ensure that the fishing vessel is fitted with a functioning vessel monitoring system ("VMS"), which is approved by the Department.

- 9.2 It is the responsibility of the Permit Holder/Rights Holder/Vessel Owner/ Skipper to ensure that the VMS is fully operational and that the VMS continues to transmit to the Department's Operations Room prior to sailing and throughout whilst at sea.
- 9.3 The Permit Holder shall establish that the VMS unit is functional by contacting the Operations Room on telephone numbers 021-402 3076 or 021-402 3077, prior to sailing (voice mail message shall be recorded in an event when there is no operator at site). Should the power supply be interrupted or the equipment become non-functional (for whatever reason), and the problem persists, the vessel shall proceed to port within twenty four hours of being informed of the problem by the Department.
- 9.4 In cases where VMS units are non-functional due to "technical" problems, and such Permit Holders/Rights Holders, Vessel Owners/Skippers wish to proceed to sea without a functional VMS unit, the Permit Holders/Rights Holders, Vessel Owners/Skippers shall obtain written permission from the Department.
- 9.5 Only when written permission has been received from the Department shall the vessel proceed to sea. The permission to operate without a functional VMS shall be kept onboard the vessel for the duration of each trip undertaken within the period of validity of the permission.
- 10. LANDING OF FISH**
- 10.1 The Permit holder must inform the Fishery Control Officer either by fax, sms or phone of the intended time of landing and the port/slipway where the landing will take place.
- 10.2 The Permit Holder shall ensure that all fish is discharged from the vessel in accordance with the reasonable instructions of the Fishery Control Officer/Marine Resource Monitor if the Fishery Control Officer/Marine Resource Monitor is available
- 10.3 Launching activities and landing of catch shall only be undertaken at approved landing points within the zone of operation and the entire catch shall be discharged at one landing point (Table 2).

**TABLE 2. DESIGNATED LANDING SITES FOR THE LANDING OF CATCHES MADE BY THE TRADITIONAL LINEFISH PERMIT HOLDERS**

SOUTH WEST COAST COMPLIANCE DIVISION(Cape Peninsula/Overberg Regions)		
AREA	ADDRESS	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER
Cape Town	Oceana Power Boat Club Beach Road Granger Bay	Ms B Polo Cell: 082 779 3670 Fax: 021 402 3113
Hout Bay	Hout Bay Harbour, Harbour Road Quay No 1:Also known as the Snoek Jetty	Mr L Finnish Cell: 082 371 6268 Fax: 021 790 1792
Kommetjie	The slipway situated at the Kommetjie Boat Club Beach Road Kommetjie and  The slipway at Witsands situated adjacent to the Lighthouse rock lobster factory	Mr D Gadisi Cell: 071 537 7759 Fax: 021 783 5853
Kalkbay	The fish landing quay, main break water quay and the new jetty at Kalkbay Harbour Main Road Kalkbay  The Cape Boat and Ski Boat Club slipway Main Road, Millers Point	Ms A Nortier Cell: 082 771 8890 Fax: 021 788 1038
Gordon'sbay	The slipway at Gordons Bay Harbour, Beach road Gordons Bay  The municipality slipway situated in Beach Road, Strand  The Slipway at Gordonsbay harbour Island, Gordons Bay	Ms N Jozi Cell: 073 264 5953 Fax: 021 856 522
Kleinmond	The slipway at Kleinmond situated between Hugo Naude street and 14th street, Kleinmond	Mr Johan Fouche Cell: 084 408 6159 Fax: 028 271 4769
Hermanus	The Finger jetty at Hermanus Harbour	Ms N Simon Cell: 084 627 5144 / 073 540 4686 Fax: 021 313 0502
Gansbaai	The slipway at Gansbaai Harbour Gansbaai and  The slipway at Kleinbaai Harbour,situated between Swart and Geelbek Roads	Mr S Dramat Cell: 082 771 8893 Fax: 028 384 1546
Buffeljags	The slipway at Buffelsjagbaai Buffelsjag	Mr S Dramat Cell: 082 771 8893 Fax: 028 435 6383
Struisbaai	The slipway at Struisbaai Harbour, Harbour Road, Struisbaai	Mr B Smit Cell: 073 008 6219 Fax: 028 435 6383
Amiston	The slipway at Amiston Harbour Amiston	Ms Z Mvelakubi Cell: 083 346 0524 / 071 898 9304 Fax: 086 203 4188
Witsands	Breede River slipway (Kraaltjie)	Mr C Jones Cell: 082 950 4126 Fax: 028 754 1463

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WEST COAST COMPLIANCE DIVISION		
AREA	ADDRESS	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER
Yzerfontein	Yzerfontein Harbour, Slipway	Mr. A Visser 082 579 9137
Langebaan	National Parks Board, Beach Area, Bree Street Langebaan Yacht Club, Oosterwaal Street	National Parks Board Mr. P Nel - 082 470 4982
Saldanha	Pepper Bay Harbour, President Street	Mr. W Theron - 082 771 8910  Fax: 022 714 3997
Patemoster	Main Beach, Patemoster	Mr. W Basson Cell: 078 714 7422 Fax: 022 736 1530
St Helena Bay	Snoekkaai, Sandy Point Harbour	Mr. W Basson Cell: 078 714 7422 Fax: 022 736 1530
Laaiplek	Community Quay, Adjacent to Port Owen	Mr. W Shilubane Cell: 082 784 6970 Fax: 022 783 0407
Elandsbaai	Beach area adjacent to the mouth of Velorevlei	Mr. J Southey Cell: 0826345490 Fax: 022 972 1706
Lamberts Bay	Snoekkaai, Lamberts Bay Fishing Harbour Beach area adjacent to Lamberts Bay Fishing Co.	Mr. Wally Cockrill Cell: 082 321 2381 Fax: 027 215 1228
Doringbaai	Between North Bay Canning Co. & a beacon	Mr. P Home Cell: 073 671 7797 Fax: 027 215 1211
Hondeklipbaai	Beach area adjacent to Namaqua Fishing Co.	Mr Z. Mphangwa Cell: 073 122 9987 Fax: 027 851 8053
Port Nolloth	Ovenstone Quay, Rock Lobster Factory	Mr Z. Mphangwa Cell: 073 122 9987 / 081484 1693 Fax: 027 851 8053

## 11. SUBMISSION OF INFORMATION

11.1 All information submitted to the Department shall be hand-delivered to The Customer Services Centre, Ground Floor, Foretrust Building, Martin Hammerschlag Way, Foreshore, Cape Town or Pepper Bay Harbor, Saldanah or posted to Private Bag X2, Vlaeberg, 8018.

11.2 Enquiries shall be directed to the following share call number: **086 000 3474**

11.3 Catch Statistics:

11.3.1 The Permit Holder shall submit catch returns and shall be recorded in the SSF Commercial Linefish Catch Return Book ("**the Blue Book**") issued for such purpose.

11.3.2 The Permit Holder shall render statistics as defined in the Blue Book for SSF commercial Linefish catch returns, before the **15<sup>th</sup> of each month** in respect of the previous month as per instructions in the Blue Book.

The Department may refuse to issue fishing permits to Right Holders who have any linefish catch returns outstanding, or may suspend the Right Holder's fishing permit until all outstanding linefish catch returns are submitted to the Department.

11.3.3 A nil return must be submitted for the period where no fish has been harvested.

11.3.4 Catch return sheets may be hand delivered to; The Customer Services Centre (CSC) , Ground Floor, Foretrust Building) or posted by registered mail (**Traditional Linefish Catch Statistics**, Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Private Bag X2, Vlaeberg, 8018, Foreshore, Cape Town, Attention Small-Scale Fisheries Management).

11.3.5 In cases where the catch return sheets are submitted at CSC, receipt of delivery will be confirmed by the copy of the catch statistics in the Blue Book being stamped, dated and signed by an official of the Department.

## 12. RECORD KEEPING

12.1 The Permit Holder shall store at its registered place of business the original permit issued to it over the duration of the right. The Permit Holder shall at all times have available a true certified copy of the permit on board the vessel utilized to harvest Traditional linefish.

12.2 The Permit Holder shall retain duplicate copies of the catch return sheets for a minimum of 60 months.

### 13. LEVIES

13.1 Not Applicable for this fishing season.

### 14. VIOLATIONS

- 14.1 A breach of the provisions of the MLRA, its regulations and/or these Permit Conditions by the Permit Holder, its employees (whether permanent or temporary), its contractors, agents, advisers or the skipper of the vessel may result in the initiation of legal proceedings (which may include section 28 proceedings and or criminal proceedings).
- 14.2 A breach referred to in paragraph 14.1 includes, but is not limited to:
- 14.2.1 failure to provide information which the Department is entitled to or to submit information which is not true or correct;
  - 14.2.2 failing to effectively utilise this permit.
- 14.3 The Permit Holder shall not land, sell, receive or process any fish taken by any means in contravention of the MLRA and applicable laws.
- 14.4 The Permit Holder shall not discard any waste material, garbage or pollutants into the sea or harbour or landing/launching site. The Permit Holder shall safely store all waste material, garbage and pollutants on board the vessel. All waste must be placed into dedicated waste bins at port.
- 14.5 No fishing hooks or lines may be discarded. All fishing hooks shall be removed before the offal is dumped. Fishing hooks must be removed from discards, save where the removal of hooks from live discards (e.g. sharks) may endanger the safety of the crew or be detrimental to the survival of the animal.
- 14.6 No transhipment of catches is allowed.
- 14.7 Failure to report any contravention of the provisions of the MLRA by a Permit Holder is a criminal offence. Any contravention shall immediately be reported telephonically to the Customer Service Centre at (021) 402 3180 or faxed to 086 505 8180 and thereafter shall be faxed as well to (021) 425 7324, for attention: The Chief Director: Monitoring, Control and Surveillance (MCS).
- 14.8 The Department may refuse to issue a subsequent permit should these Permit Conditions not be adhered to.

**15. CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION**

15.1 The Department will prefer to consult and communicate with the Board members of the co-operatives which are representative of Right Holders in the Traditional Linefish fishery and Interest Groups in terms of the MLRA.

15.2 Communication regarding all permits and licences shall be addressed to the Department's Customer Services Centre, Ground Floor, Foretrust Building, Martin Hammerschlag Way, Foreshore, Cape Town or Private Bag X2, Vlaeberg, 8012. The Customer Service Centre may be contacted on 021 402-3443/402-3180 or toll share call number 086 000 3474.

**16. OBSERVER PROGRAMME**

16.1 The Permit Holder shall, when requested, allow for land-based sampling of catches for scientific purposes by persons authorised by the Department.

**17. PROCESSING AND SALE OF FISH**

17.1 The Permit Holder shall not sell or deliver any fish caught under the authority of this permit, unless he/she issues an invoice or receipt in respect of such fish to the person purchasing or acquiring it.

17.2 The above consideration implies that crew removing fish from the vessel for own use must be authorised in writing by the Permit Holder.

17.3 A copy of the invoice referred to in paragraph 17.1, shall be kept for not less than 60 months by the Permit Holder and shall contain at least the following details:

17.3.1 Full particulars including full names, identity numbers and or registration numbers of the parties to the sale;

17.3.2 The number and date of issue of the permit authorising the sale of the fish;

17.3.3 The invoice must reflect the common name of the fish species, the quantity or mass of each species or any part or product thereof sold as per the species lists set out in Table 1.

17.3.4 The vessel name, registration letters and number as stipulated in the permit;

17.3.5 The quantity and/or mass of fish or part of product thereof sold; and

17.3.6 The date of delivery of the fish.

**18. TRANSFER OF FISHING RIGHTS**

18.1 The long term commercial Small-Scale Fishing rights issued in terms of section 21 of the MLRA, is non-transferable.

18.2 Failure to comply with 18.1 may lead to the initiation of further legal processes including but not limited to proceedings in terms of section 28 of the MLRA.

**19. TRANSPORTATION OF FISH**

19.1 Right Holders shall be in possession of the permit at all times when transporting Traditional Linefish and no additional transport permit is required.

19.2 Non-right holders shall be in possession of proof of purchase (e.g. receipt) when transporting Traditional Linefish and no additional transport permit is required.

**20. FISHING PERFORMANCE MEASURING**

20.1 The Permit Holder shall be obliged to provide the Department with information required to carry out a performance measuring exercise. Such information shall include but is not limited to:

20.1.1 Data regarding transformation levels;

20.1.2 Sustainable fishing practices;

20.1.3 Data regarding investments made in the fishery and jobs created and sustained; and

20.1.4 Data regarding compliance initiatives.



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