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# FISHERIES SNAPPER NOTICE

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## FISHERIES SNAPPER NOTICE<sup>1</sup>

*In exercise of the powers conferred by section 19(1) of the Fisheries Management Act 2002, the Minister responsible for Fisheries, with the consent of the Cabinet, hereby orders that:*

Commencement [7<sup>th</sup> September 2007]

- (1) The long term sustainability of the snapper and grouper fisheries needs to be addressed:
- (2) Fishing for snapper or grouper is limited to vessels:
  - (a) holding a current licence to fish for snapper and grouper with droplines as at the date of this Order; or
  - (b) involved in the process of renewal of existing licences as at the date of this Order; or
  - (c) who lodged an application for a new licence to fish for snapper and grouper before this Notice comes into force; or
  - (d) entered on the Cyclone Waka Repair Register which apply for such licences to fish for snapper and grouper.
- (3) Vessels referred to in clause (2) above shall:
  - (a) not be more than 15 metres in length overall (LOA); and
  - (b) fish from seamounts in depth deeper than 50 metres; and
  - (c) use the traditional Samoan style hand - reels (drop line) to target, non-target, associated or dependent species taken in the course of fishing.
- (4) This Notice shall remain in effect until further Notice by the Minister.

**ENDNOT**

## ENDNOTES

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<sup>1</sup> G18/2007, Gazetted 7 September 2007