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Section 8 Notification - Grey Nurse Shark Protection

I, GEOFF ALLAN, Executive Director, Fisheries NSW, with the delegated authority of the Minister for Primary Industries and the Director-General of the Department of Trade and Investment, Regional Infrastructure and Services pursuant to sections 227 and 228 of the Fisheries Management Act 1994 ("the Act"), do by this notification:

- 1. pursuant to section 11 of the Act revoke the fishing closure made by the Minister for Primary Industries titled "Fishing Restrictions" and dated 19 September 2012; and
- 2. pursuant to section 8 of the Act prohibit the taking of any species of fish by any person, other than the holder of a commercial fishing licence taking fish under the authority of an endorsement in the Ocean Trap and Line Fishery, in the manner specified in Column 1 of Schedule 1 to this Notification, from the waters described opposite in Column 2 of Schedule 1.

SCHEDULE 1

Column 1 Prohibited methods	Column 2 Waters
All methods of line fishing using bait (whether alive or dead but excluding soft plastics, artificial baits, baits that are not animal products and baits that are not derived from animal products).	Fish Rock, Green Island, Magic Point All waters within the critical habitat of Grey Nurse Shark at Fish Rock, Green Island and Magic Point.
	The Steps/Anemone Bay - North Solitary Island All waters extending 200 metres in all directions around a point centred on the
	following coordinates: S 29°55.351'
	E 153°23.355'
	Manta Arch – South Solitary Island All waters extending 200 metres in all directions around a point centred on the following coordinates: S 30°12.141'
	E 153°16.086'
	Mermaid Reef All waters extending 200 metres in all directions around a point centred on the following coordinates: S 31°46.237' E 152°48.682'

In this notification:

"Line fishing" means use of rod and line or handline.

"Ocean Trap and Line Fishery" means the share management fishery of that name, as described in Schedule 1 to the Act.

Latitude and longitude co-ordinates are in WGS 84 datum.

This notification takes effect on publication in the *New South Wales Government Gazette* and remains in force for a period of five (5) years from the date of publication.

Note 1: The purpose of this fishing closure is to implement additional protection measures for the Grey Nurse Shark.

Note 2: This closure does not affect the operation of Clauses 22, 265 and 267 of the Fisheries Management (General) Regulation 2010.

Dated this the 21st day of September 2012.

DR GEOFF ALLAN, Executive Director, Fisheries NSW, Department of Primary Industries, (an office within the Department of Trade and Investment, Regional Infrastructure and Services)

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