

**CONSERVATION MEASURE 22-09 (2011)**  
**Protection of registered vulnerable marine ecosystems**  
**in subareas, divisions, small-scale research units, or**  
**management areas open to bottom fishing**

Species	various
Area	various
Season	all
Gear	bottom fishing

The Commission,

Recognising CCAMLR's commitment to preventing significant adverse impacts to vulnerable marine ecosystems (VMEs),

Noting that the Scientific Committee has endeavoured to identify the location of VMEs within the Convention Area consistent with Conservation Measure 22-06,

hereby adopts the following conservation measure in accordance with Article II and Article IX of the Convention:

Protection of registered VMEs in subareas, divisions, small-scale research units (SSRUs) and management areas open to bottom fishing:

1. This conservation measure applies to the same area as Conservation Measure 22-06.
2. The areas listed in Annex 22-09/A are identified as registered VMEs and afforded protection consistent with Conservation Measure 22-06.
3. To provide protection of the registered VMEs, bottom fishing shall be prohibited in the defined areas set out in Annex 22-09/A.
4. All bottom fishing activities shall be prohibited within the defined areas, with the exception of scientific research activities agreed by the Commission for monitoring or other purposes on advice from the Scientific Committee and in accordance with Conservation Measures 22-06 and 24-01.

ANNEX 22-09/A

**DEFINED AREAS OF REGISTERED VULNERABLE MARINE ECOSYSTEMS**  
**IN MANAGEMENT AREAS OPEN TO BOTTOM FISHING**

Subarea, division	SSRU	Defined area
88.1	G	A circle with the radius of 1.25 n miles (2.32 km), centred on 66°56.04'S 170°51.66'E
88.1	G	A circle with the radius of 1.25 n miles (2.32 km), centred on 67°10.14'S 171°10.26'E