

CONSERVATION MEASURE 41-09 (2005)
Limits on the exploratory fishery for *Dissostichus* spp.
in Statistical Subarea 88.1 in the 2005/06 season

Species	toothfish
Area	88.1
Season	2005/06
Gear	longline

The Commission hereby adopts the following conservation measure in accordance with Conservation Measure 21-02:

- Access 1. Fishing for *Dissostichus* spp. in Statistical Subarea 88.1 shall be limited to the exploratory longline fishery by Argentina, Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Norway, Russia, South Africa, Spain, UK and Uruguay. The fishery shall be conducted by a maximum in the season of two (2) Argentine, two (2) Korean, five (5) New Zealand, one (1) Norwegian, two (2) Russian, one (1) South African, three (3) Spanish, two (2) UK and three (3) Uruguayan flagged vessels using longlines only.
- Catch limit 2. The total catch of *Dissostichus* spp. in Statistical Subarea 88.1 in the 2005/06 season shall not exceed a precautionary catch limit of 2 964 tonnes applied as follows:
- SSRU A – 0 tonnes
SSRUs B, C and G – 348 tonnes total;
SSRU D – 0 tonnes
SSRU E – 0 tonnes
SSRU F – 0 tonnes
SSRUs H, I and K – 1 893 tonnes total
SSRU J – 551 tonnes
SSRU L – 172 tonnes.
- Season 3. For the purpose of the exploratory longline fishery for *Dissostichus* spp. in Statistical Subarea 88.1, the 2005/06 season is defined as the period from 1 December 2005 to 31 August 2006.
- Fishing operations 4. The exploratory longline fishery for *Dissostichus* spp. in Statistical Subarea 88.1 shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of Conservation Measure 41-01, except paragraph 6.
- By-catch 5. The total by-catch in Statistical Subarea 88.1 in the 2005/06 season shall not exceed a precautionary catch limit of 148 tonnes of skates and rays, and 474 tonnes of *Macrourus* spp. Within these total by-catch limits, individual limits will apply as follows:
- SSRU A – 0 tonnes of any species
SSRUs B, C and G total – 50 tonnes of skates and rays, 56 tonnes of *Macrourus* spp., 60 tonnes of other species
SSRU D – 0 tonnes of any species
SSRU E – 0 tonnes of any species
SSRU F – 0 tonnes of any species
SSRUs H, I and K total – 95 tonnes of skates and rays, 303 tonnes of *Macrourus* spp., 60 tonnes of other species

SSRU J – 50 tonnes of skates and rays, 88 tonnes of *Macrourus* spp., 20 tonnes of other species

SSRU L – 50 tonnes of skates and rays, 28 tonnes of *Macrourus* spp., 20 tonnes of other species.

The by-catch in this fishery shall be regulated as set out in Conservation Measure 33-03.

- Mitigation
6. The exploratory longline fishery for *Dissostichus* spp. in Statistical Subarea 88.1 shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of Conservation Measure 25-02, except paragraph 4 (night setting), which shall not apply as long as the requirements of Conservation Measure 24-02 are met.
 7. Any vessel catching a total of three (3) seabirds shall immediately revert to night setting in accordance with Conservation Measure 25-02.
 8. There shall be no offal discharge in this fishery.
- Observers
9. Each vessel participating in the fishery shall have at least two scientific observers, one of whom shall be an observer appointed in accordance with the CCAMLR Scheme of International Scientific Observation, on board throughout all fishing activities within the fishing period.
- VMS
10. Each vessel participating in this exploratory longline fishery shall be required to operate a VMS at all times, in accordance with Conservation Measure 10-04.
- CDS
11. Each vessel participating in this exploratory longline fishery shall be required to participate in the Catch Documentation Scheme for *Dissostichus* spp., in accordance with Conservation Measure 10-05.
- Research
12. Each vessel participating in this exploratory fishery shall conduct fishery-based research in accordance with the Research Plan and Tagging Program described in Conservation Measure 41-01, Annex B and Annex C respectively. The setting of research hauls (Conservation Measure 41-01, Annex B, paragraphs 3 and 4) is not required.
 13. Research fishing under Conservation Measure 24-01 shall be limited to 10 tonnes of catch and one vessel in each of SSRUs A, D, E and F during the 2005/06 season. Catches of *Dissostichus* spp. taken in SSRUs E and F under the provisions of Conservation Measure 24-01 shall be considered as part of the catch limit for Statistical Subarea 88.1. Catches of *Dissostichus* spp. taken in SSRUs A and D under the provisions of Conservation Measure 24-01 shall not be considered as part of the catch limit for Statistical Subarea 88.1.
- Data:
catch/effort
14. For the purpose of implementing this conservation measure in the 2005/06 season, the following shall apply:

- (i) the Five-day Catch and Effort Reporting System set out in Conservation Measure 23-01;
 - (ii) the Monthly Fine-scale Catch and Effort Reporting System set out in Conservation Measure 23-04. Fine-scale data shall be submitted on a haul-by-haul basis.
15. For the purpose of Conservation Measures 23-01 and 23-04, the target species is *Dissostichus* spp. and by-catch species are defined as any species other than *Dissostichus* spp.
- Data: biological 16. Fine-scale biological data, as required under Conservation Measure 23-05, shall be collected and recorded. Such data shall be reported in accordance with the CCAMLR Scheme of International Scientific Observation.
- Discharge 17. All vessels participating in this exploratory fishery shall be prohibited from discharging:
- (i) oil or fuel products or oily residues into the sea, except as permitted in Annex I of MARPOL 73/78;
 - (ii) garbage;
 - (iii) food wastes not capable of passing through a screen with openings no greater than 25 mm;
 - (iv) poultry or parts (including egg shells);
 - (v) sewage within 12 n miles of land or ice shelves, or sewage while the ship is travelling at a speed of less than 4 knots; or
 - (vi) incineration ash.
- Additional elements 18. No live poultry or other living birds shall be brought into Statistical Subarea 88.1 and any dressed poultry not consumed shall be removed from Statistical Subarea 88.1.
19. Fishing for *Dissostichus* spp. in Statistical Subarea 88.1 shall be prohibited within 10 n miles of the coast of the Balleny Islands.