



## Eastern Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority

### Shrimp Permit Byelaw 2018

#### **Flexible Permit Conditions – Category Two Permit**

These flexible permit conditions relate to Category Two shrimp permits issued under the Shrimp Permit Byelaw 2018 and should be read in conjunction with that byelaw.

#### **Interpretations**

1. In these flexible permit conditions:
  - a) “try-net” means a trawl deployed by hand from a vessel used to determine the presence or absence of shrimps.

#### **Permit conditions**

##### Try-net

2. A vessel must not carry or deploy more than one try-net.
3. A try-net must:
  - a) be deployed and hauled only by hand;
  - b) have a beam width of no more than 500 millimetres;
  - c) be no more than 20 kilograms in weight; and
  - d) not have tickler chains or any other attachment designed to, or with the effect of, penetrating the seabed except guides, skids or a shoe.

##### Prohibited attachments

4. A vessel must not carry or deploy a net, the mesh of which measures between 16 and 31 millimetres which has:
  - a) tickler chains;
  - b) any item designed to, or with the effect of penetrating the seabed except guides, skids or shoes;

- c) guides, skids or shoes unless the surface of such which comes into contact with the seabed is flat across its entire length.

Separator trawl or sorting grid requirement

5. A vessel carrying fishing gear with an aggregate beam width or a net headline length of eight metres or less must not carry or deploy a net, the mesh of which measures between 16 and 31 millimetres unless:

- a) netting, the mesh of which measures at least twice that of the codend and no more than 70 millimetres, is fitted across the entire cross-section of the net in such a way that:

- i. sea fish cannot reach the codend without first passing through the netting; and
- ii. there is a hole in the net through which all sea fish that do not pass through the netting are able to escape; or

- b) a rigid grid, the spacing between the bars of which is no more than 20 millimetres, is fitted across the entire cross-section of the net in such a way that:

- i. sea fish cannot reach the codend without first passing through the grid; and
- ii. there is a hole in the net through which all sea fish that do not pass through the grid are able to escape.

6. Paragraph 5 does not apply to a try net.

The Eligibility Criteria comes into effect on:

Date: 01 August 2023



Signed: