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Wheat Marketing

Title	<p><i>Wheat Export Marketing Act 2008</i> <i>Wheat Export Marketing (Repeal and Consequential Amendments) Act 2008</i></p>
Description of issue	<p>The <i>Wheat Export Marketing Act 2008</i> gives effect to the reform of bulk wheat export marketing arrangements. A new regulator, Wheat Exports Australia, has been established to administer a bulk wheat export accreditation scheme and will provide accreditation to companies that meet strict probity and performance tests. These arrangements replace the old single desk system.</p> <p>Growers will be major beneficiaries under the arrangements, which will provide greater contestability and selling options, reduce the risks associated with relying on a single seller, lead to more cost-efficient marketing services and provide greater transparency of costs and pricing.</p> <p>Exports of wheat in bags and containers remain deregulated.</p> <p>The <i>Wheat Export Marketing (Repeal and Consequential Amendments) Act 2008</i> deals with consequential matters arising from the enactment of the <i>Wheat Export Marketing Act 2008</i> and the repeal of the <i>Wheat Export Marketing Act 1989</i>.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was prepared (OBPR No 9426). Click here to go to the Acts.</p>
Date of effect	<p>Received Royal Assent on 30 June and came into effect on 1 July 2008.</p>
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Biosecurity Australia

Title	Quarantine Amendment Regulations 2007 (No. 1)
Description of issue	<p>The Australian Government announced improvements to the import risk analysis (IRA) process on 18 October 2006. These improvements involved the regulation of key elements of the process together with enhanced scientific scrutiny, stakeholder engagement and transparency of the IRA process. These improvements do not change Australia's science-based approach to quarantine.</p> <p>The regulations, made under the <i>Quarantine Act 1908</i>, provide for IRAs to be undertaken using either a standard or an expanded pathway, depending on the complexity of the science and nature of the biosecurity risks. A standard IRA will be completed within 24 months and an expanded IRA within 30 months.</p> <p>Biosecurity Australia will in future publish its annual work program on its website. It will also notify the commencement of individual IRAs in accordance with the new, regulated IRA process as these individual IRAs formally commence.</p> <p>Click here to go to the Regulations.</p>
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AQIS

Title	Export Control (Fees) Amendment Orders 2007 (No. 3)
Description of issue	<p>These Orders amend the <i>Export Control (Fees) Orders 2001</i> to insert fees relating to services for milk and milk products and to increase certain fees relating to establishments and services associated with milk and milk products.</p> <p>A Cost Recovery Impact Statement was completed (OBPR No 8870). Click here to go to the Orders.</p>
Date of effect	22 September 2007
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Title	Quarantine Amendment Proclamation 2007 (No. 3)
Description of issue	<p>This Proclamation amends Schedule 5 of the <i>Quarantine Proclamation 1998</i> by varying the seeds that may be imported into Australia without a permit.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9006). Click here to go to the Proclamation.</p>
Date of effect	29 September 2007
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Title	Quarantine Amendment Proclamation 2007 (No. 4)
Description of issue	<p>This Proclamation amends section 38, table 13, items 19 and 20 of the <i>Quarantine Proclamation 1998</i> to amend the conditions under which cooked prawns and prawn products may be imported into Australia with a permit.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 8705). Click here to go to the Proclamation.</p>
Date of effect	1 November 2007
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Title	Quarantine Amendment Proclamation 2008 (No. 1)
Description of issue	This Proclamation amends the <i>Quarantine Proclamation 1998</i> to update the list of seeds that may be imported into Australia without a permit and to correct a minor typographical error in subsection 69(1). A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9562). Click here to go to the Proclamation .
Date of effect	25 June 2008
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Title	Quarantine Amendment Regulations 2008 (No. 1)
Description of issue	These Regulations amend the <i>Quarantine Regulations 2000</i> to update references to the Australian Ballast Water Management Requirements, an AQIS document that is incorporated by reference and to update Schedules 1 and 2 - Prescribed Commonwealth, state and territory laws. A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 8533). Click here to go to the Regulations .
Date of effect	25 June 2008
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Title	Quarantine Service Fees Amendment Determination 2008 (No. 1)
Description of issue	This Determination amends the <i>Quarantine Service Fees Determination 2005</i> by increasing the fees for routine inspection of vessels for the purpose of granting pratique and for services performed at seaports outside ordinary business hours. It would also omit the reference to a 'de-ratting exemption certificate' and instead insert 'ship sanitation certificate'. A Cost Recovery Impact Statement was completed (OBPR No 9536). Click here to go to the Determination .
Date of effect	1 July 2008
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Title	Quarantine Amendment (National Health Security) Bill 2008 Note: The Department of Health and Ageing were the lead agency on these amendments to the <i>Quarantine Act 1908</i>
Description of issue	The bill makes minor and technical amendments to the provision dealing with fees under the <i>Quarantine Act 1908</i> (section 86E). The amendments include the simplification of the existing remission powers in section 86E of the <i>Quarantine Act 1908</i> ; the insertion of a power to refund fees and the alignment of section 86E with the <i>Legislative Instruments Act 2003</i> . A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 7804). Click here to go to the Bill .
Date of effect	Royal Assent by the Governor General has yet to be given.
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Title	Imported Food Control Amendment Order 2007 (No. 2)
Description of issue	This Order amends the <i>Imported Food Control Order 2001</i> to implement the recommendation of the COAG Committee on Regulatory Reform and bring soft cheeses under the Trans Tasman Mutual Recognition Arrangement by removing certain cheeses, if they are a product of New Zealand, from the classification of Risk Food. A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 8763). Click here to go to the Order .
Date of effect	11 September 2007
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Title	Export Control (Fees) Amendment Orders 2007 (No. 2)
Description of issue	These Orders amend the <i>Export Control (Fees) Orders 2001</i> , to reduce a range of fees applicable to the export of live animals. A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9262). Click here to go to the Orders .
Date of effect	1 October 2007
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Title	Export Control (Plants and Plant Products) Amendment Order 2007 (No.1)
Description of issue	<p>These Orders amend the <i>Export Control (Plants and Plant Products) Orders 2005</i> to bring mung beans within their scope. Previously the export of mung beans was regulated by the <i>Export Control (Mung Beans) Orders</i>.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 8237, 8406, 8552, 8553, 8653, 8694, 8885). Click here to go to the Order.</p>
Date of effect	1 November 2007
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Title	Export Control (Mung Beans) Repeal Orders 2007
Description of issue	<p>These Orders repeal the Export Control (Mung Beans) Orders.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 8237, 8406, 8552, 8553, 8653, 8694, 8885). Click here to go to the Orders.</p>
Date of effect	1 November 2007
Contact details	<p>Jillian Walsh Grain & Plant Product Exports Phone: (02) 6272 3787 Fax: (02) 6272 5508 jillian.walsh@aqis.gov.au</p>

Levies Arrangements

Title	Changes to Macadamia Levy and Charge Imposition and Collection Arrangements
Description of issue	<p>Amended the Macadamia Nuts schedules of the <i>Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Regulations 1999</i>, <i>Primary Industries (Customs) Charges Regulations 2000</i> and <i>Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Regulations 1991</i> to remove the ‘nut-in-shell’ levy/charge rate calculation so that the only prescribed calculation measure is the dried kernel measure.</p> <p>The Australian Macadamia Society Limited, the peak industry body for the macadamia industry, requested this change to align the legislation with current industry practices.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9306). Click here to go to Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Amendment Regulations 2007 (No 10), Primary Industries (Customs) Charges Amendment Regulations 2007 (No 9) and Primary Industries Levies and Charges Amendment Regulations 2007 (No 7).</p>
Date of effect	1 November 2007
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Title	<p>Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Amendment Regulations 2007 (No.7)</p> <p>Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Amendment Regulations 2007 (No. 5)</p>
Description of issue	<p>The <i>Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Amendment Regulations 2007 (No.7)</i> allowed for a levy to be imposed on the slaughter of cattle, sheep and goats and set out the levy rates. The processor industry had requested that a statutory slaughter levy be introduced to replace voluntary contributions to fund the industry's marketing and research and development programs.</p> <p>The <i>Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Amendment Regulations 2007 (No.5)</i> provides for the collection of the levy and the amendment provided for the return lodgement period of the levy to be 28 days after the end of the month to which it relates.</p> <p>A Regulatory Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 8903). Click here to go to Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Amendment Regulations 2007 (No 7) and Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Amendment Regulations 2007 (No 5).</p>
Date of effect	1 September 2007
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Title	<p>Primary Industries (Customs) Charges Amendment Regulations 2007 (No.7)</p>
Description of issue	<p>The <i>Primary Industries (Customs) Charges Amendment Regulations 2007 (No.7)</i> allowed for an increase to the statutory charges imposed on the export of live cattle, sheep and goats. The live export industry had requested the increase to expand and accelerate key marketing and research and development activities.</p> <p>A Regulatory Impact Statement was prepared (OBPR No 9168). Click here to go to the Regulations.</p>
Date of effect	1 October 2007
Contact details	<p>Philip Smurthwaite Manager Meat and Livestock Policy Agricultural Productivity Division Phone: (02) 6272 5189 Fax: (02) 6272 4246 meatandlivestock@daff.gov.au</p>

Title	Increase in the research and development levy and charge on cherry growers and establishment of a marketing and promotion levy on cherry growers
Description of issue	<p>The Australian Government agreed to a proposal from Cherry Growers of Australia to increase the levy and charge payable by cherry growers for research and development (R&D), and to establish a new levy and charge for marketing and promotion. The R&D levy increased from 1 cent per kilogram on fresh cherries sold in, or exported from Australia, to 4 cents per kilogram. The new marketing and promotion levy and charge is 3 cents per kilogram on fresh cherries sold in, or exported from Australia. The total levy and charge is 7 cents per kilogram on fresh cherries sold in, or exported from Australia.</p> <p>Amendments were made to the <i>Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Regulations 1999</i>, the <i>Primary Industries (Customs) Charges Regulations 2000</i> and the <i>Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Regulations 1991</i>.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was completed (OBPR No 9028). Click to go to the Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Amendment Regulations 2007 (No 8) and Primary Industries (Customs) Charges Amendment Regulations 2007 (No 6).</p>
Date of effect	1 September 2007.
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Title	Introduction of a new statutory levy on banana growers for the purpose of undertaking both marketing and research and development
Description of issue	<p>The Australian Government agreed to a proposal by the Australian Banana Growers' Council to establish a new statutory levy on banana growers set at a rate of 1.7 cents per kilogram to be collected at the first point of sale, for the purpose of undertaking both marketing and research and development (R&D). The marketing levy has been set at 1.16 cents per kilogram while the R&D levy has been set at 0.54 of a cent per kilogram.</p> <p>Amendments were made to the <i>Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Regulations 1999</i> and the <i>Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Regulations 1991</i>.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was completed (OBPR No 9405). Click here to go to the Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Amendment Regulations 2008 (No 2) and Primary Industries Levies and Charges Amendment Regulations (No 1)</p>
Date of effect	1 July 2008.
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Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals

Title	Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code Amendment Regulations 2007 (No.1)
Description of issue	<p>The <i>Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code Regulations 1995</i> have been amended to add:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • two classes of chemical products to be listed under Part 2A (products granted ‘listed registration’) of the Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code – those being, joint health products for dogs and horses, and certain products for use in home swimming pools and spas • eleven classes of agricultural chemical products to be reserved under Part 2B (reserved chemical products) of the Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code – those being, general-purpose disinfectants commonly used to treat surfaces and equipment in animal husbandry, egg production and horticulture. <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9318). Click here to go to the Regulations.</p>
Date of effect	26 September 2007
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Domestic Fisheries

Title	Fisheries Legislation Amendment (New Governance Arrangement for the Australian Fisheries Management Authority and Other Matters) Bill 2008
Description of issue	<p>From 1 July 2008, the Australian Fisheries Management Authority became an independent fisheries commission within the Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry portfolio. It also became a prescribed agency for the purposes of the <i>Financial Management and Accountability Act 1997</i> and a statutory agency for the purposes of the <i>Public Service Act 1999</i>.</p> <p>The amendments to implement these changes were made primarily to the <i>Fisheries Administration Act 1991</i> and the <i>Fisheries Management Act 1991</i>. The principle changes relate to financial management and accountability to government.</p> <p>This bill also amended the <i>Fisheries Management Act 1991</i> and the <i>Torres Strait Fisheries Act 1991</i> to implement government policies to combat illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement is not required (OBPR No 8642). Click here to go to the Bill.</p>
Date of effect	1 July 2008
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Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA) Torres Strait Fisheries

Title	Torres Strait Fisheries Management Notice No. 82 (19/05/2008)
Description of issue	<p>This Notice revokes Fisheries Management Notice No. 70, dated 18 February 2004 and sets out the requirements for use of bycatch reduction devices in the Torres Strait Prawn Fishery.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9509). Click here to go to the Notice.</p>
Date of effect	4 June 2008
Contact details	<p>Dr David Wilson Manager Torres Strait Prawn Fishery Australian Fisheries Management Authority Phone: (02) 6225 5394 Fax: (02) 6225 5500 david.wilson@afma.gov.au</p>

Northern Prawn Fishery

Title	NPF Direction No. 109 – Second Season Closures
Description of issue	<p>The Direction establishes closures in specified areas of the Northern Prawn Fishery. The Direction sets out closure boundaries and prevents fishing in six specific areas within the fishery to protect spawning and small prawns during the second fishing season and a broader mid-season closure to protect stock prior to and during spawning periods.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 8315). Click here to go to the Direction.</p>
Date of effect	1 August 2007
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Title	NPF Direction No. 110 – Gear Trials
Description of issue	<p>The Direction makes provision for operators to carry out trials of their fishing equipment (gear trials) in particular areas that are set aside for the trials. Fish are not targeted during gear trials and, under the Direction, the trial can be carried out prior to the commencement of the second fishing season. The Direction contributes to the economic efficiency and cost effective administration of the fishery because it allows operators the flexibility to test their fishing gear to ensure that it is in efficient working order prior to the beginning of the fishing period without the need to seek special exemptions to the closure arrangements.</p> <p>The areas in which the gear trials are permitted to be carried out were selected so as to have minimal impact on prawn stocks in the fishery while still being practical for operators.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9041). Click here to go to the Direction.</p>
Date of effect	28 July 2007
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Title	NPF Direction No. 111 – Prohibition On Trawling
Description of issue	<p>The Direction prevents trawling during daylight hours in key tiger prawn areas because it is believed that mature female tiger prawns are more susceptible to daylight trawling. It is important to protect these prawns as they form the breeding stock. Research to confirm that mature females are more susceptible has been carried out however the results were inconclusive.</p> <p>Accordingly AFMA has taken a precautionary approach and banned daylight trawling. This Direction also prohibits trawling 24 hrs a day for the banana season in part of the Gulf of Carpentaria and around the Goulburn Islands to reduce the catch of pre-spawning tiger prawns in the first season.</p> <p>Direction No. NPF 111 replaces Direction No. NPF 104 and has the effect of adjusting the prohibitions to make them consistent with the new season dates that are being implemented in the Northern Prawn Fishery.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9042). Click here to go to the Direction.</p>
Date of effect	28 July 2007
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Title	NPF Direction No. 112 – Second Season Closures
Description of issue	<p>The Direction extends the tiger or second season for a period of two weeks. It establishes closures in specified areas of the Northern Prawn Fishery. The Direction sets out closure boundaries and prevents fishing in six specific areas within the fishery to protect spawning and small prawns during the second fishing season and a broader mid-season closure to protect stock prior to and during spawning periods.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9362). Click here to go to the Direction.</p>
Date of effect	20 November 2007
Contact details	<p>Melissa Brown Manager Northern Prawn Fishery and Northwest Slope Trawl Fishery Australian Fisheries Management Authority Phone: (02) 6225 5465 Fax: (02) 6225 5500 melissa.brown@afma.gov.au</p>

Title	NPF Direction No. 113 – First Season Closures
Description of issue	<p>The Direction replaces Direction No. NPF 112. The Direction sets out closure boundaries and prevents fishing in six specific areas within the fishery to protect spawning and small prawns during the second fishing season and a broader mid-season closure to protect stock prior to and during spawning periods.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9541). Click here to go to the Direction.</p>
Date of effect	28 May 2008
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Title	NPF Direction No. 114 – Prohibition on Fishing (Prior to Seasons)
Description of issue	<p>The Direction imposes prohibitions on fishing and navigational restrictions on vessels in the area of the fishery prior to the commencement of the fishing season. The Direction also provides for exemptions from the above restrictions.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9541). Click here to go to the Direction.</p>
Date of effect	28 May 2008
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Title	NPF Direction No. 115 – Prohibition On Fishing
Description of issue	<p>This Direction prevents trawling during daylight hours in key tiger prawn areas because it is believed that mature female tiger prawns are more susceptible to daylight trawling. It is important to protect these prawns as they form the breeding stock. This Direction also prohibits trawling 24 hrs a day for the banana season in part of the Gulf of Carpentaria and around the Goulburn Islands to reduce the catch of pre-spawning tiger prawns in the first season.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9541). Click here to go to the Direction.</p>
Date of effect	28 May 2008
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Title	NPF Direction No. 116 – Gear Trials
Description of issue	<p>The Direction makes provision for operators to carry out trials of their fishing equipment (gear trials) in particular areas that are set aside for the trials. Fish are not targeted during gear trials and, under the Direction, the trial can be carried out prior to the commencement of the second fishing season. The Direction replaces Direction No. NPDF 110 and has the effect of changing the dates in which gear trials can take place to align them with the revised dates for the fishing season.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9541). Click here to go to the Direction.</p>
Date of effect	28 May 2008
Contact details	<p>Melissa Brown Manager Northern Prawn Fishery and Northwest Slope Trawl Fishery Australian Fisheries Management Authority Phone: (02) 6225 5465 Fax: (02) 6225 5500 melissa.brown@afma.gov.au</p>

Title	NPFGD Determination No. 04 – Gear Determination
Description of issue	The instrument determines the total amount of operational headrope that may be used by operators in the Northern Prawn Fishery. A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9662). Click here to go to the Determination .
Date of effect	4 June 2008
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North West Slope Trawl Fishery

Title	North West Slope Fishery (Partial Area Closure) Direction 2007
Description of issue	AFMA has recently been alerted to fishing activity in the northeast corner of the Fishery, in an area that is less than 200 metres in depth which has resulted in high catches of finfish, including goldband snapper and red emperor. These species have been identified by the Department of Fisheries, Western Australia (Fisheries WA) as overfished in the adjacent, State managed Kimberley Trap and Trawl Fishery, and as such Fisheries WA has reduced the effort in that fishery. The Direction implements an area closure in the northeast corner of the Fishery in the area that is less than 200 metres in depth. The partial area closure applies to all persons who are entitled to fish in the Fishery. A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9290). Click here to go to the Direction .
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Title	Commonwealth North West Slope Daily Fishing Log Determination 2007
Description of issue	<p>The purpose of the Determination is to replace the current log book (known as NWS03) kept and maintained by holders of North West Slope Trawl Fishery concession with a new form of log book known as NWS04.</p> <p>The Determination determines the form and content of the logbook to be kept and maintained by North West Slope fishing concession holders in the Western Trawl Fishery by reference to the NWS04 logbook at Attachment A to the Determination.</p> <p>AFMA determined that a Regulation Impact Statement was not required based on previous advice from the OBPR. OBPR was not formally consulted. Click here to go to the Determination.</p>
Date of effect	21 November 2007
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Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery

Title	Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery (Closures) Direction 2007
Description of issue	<p>This Direction sets out the permanent closure boundaries to prevent fishing in specific areas within the fishery during defined periods. The intent of the closures is to provide additional management measures to recover overfished species, to prevent further species from becoming overfished and to protect Threatened Endangered Protected species and benthic habitats. This direction affects persons in areas of the fishery described in the direction.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 8875). Click here to go to the Direction.</p>
Date of effect	13 July 2007
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Title	Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery (Minimum Gear Requirements) Direction 2007
Description of issue	<p>The Direction specifies minimum gear requirements for fishing within the Commonwealth South East Trawl Sector, East Coast Deepwater Trawl Sector, Commonwealth Great Australian Bight Trawl Sector, Commonwealth Gillnet, Commonwealth Scalefish Hook and Commonwealth Shark Hook Sectors (together the Gillnet Hook and Trap fishery) of the Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery (SESSF).</p> <p>Minimum gear requirements for the SESSF were previously implemented through sector specific gear directions and/or conditions on fishing permits and boat statutory fishing rights. AFMA has decided to consolidate all gear requirements for the SESSF in a single direction to improve administration and compliance.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 8813). Click here to go to the Direction.</p>
Date of effect	5 September 2007
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Title	Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery (quota species) Total Allowable Catch (2008 Fishing Year) Determination
Description of issue	<p>This instrument determines the total allowable catch for species subject to quota restrictions for the 2008 fishing year in the Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9465). Click here to go to the Determination.</p>
Date of effect	26 March 2008
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Title	Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery (non-quota species) Total Allowable Catch (2008 Fishing Year) Determination
Description of issue	This instrument determines the total allowable catch for species not subject to quota restrictions for the 2008 fishing year in the Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery. A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9464). Click here to go to the Determination .
Date of effect	26 March 2008
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Title	Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery Overcatch and Undercatch (2008 Fishing Year) Determination
Description of issue	This instrument determines the overcatch and undercatch percentages and determined amounts, for quota species in the Southern and Eastern Scalefish and Shark Fishery for the period 1 May 2008 to 30 April 2009. A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9463). Click here to go to the Determination .
Date of effect	26 March 2008
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Scallop and Squid Fisheries

Title	Southern Squid Jig Fishery Total Allowable Effort Determination 2007
Description of issue	<p>The <i>Southern Squid Jig Fishery Management Plan 2005</i> provides that prior to the start of the fishing year, AFMA must determine the total allowable effort (TAE) for the fishing year. AFMA determined a TAE of 640 standard squid jigging machines for the 2008 fishing year.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9342). Click here to go to the Determination.</p>
Date of effect	20 November 2007
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Title	Bass Strait Central Zone Scallop Fishery Total Allowable Catch Determination 2008
Description of issue	<p>The Determination sets the total allowable catch for both Commercial scallop and Doughboy scallop for the 2008 fishing season at zero and requires the Bass Strait Central Zone Scallop Fishery to have a total allowable catch of zero for a period of at least three years. A zero total allowable catch is consistent with the Harvest Strategy for the fishery, which provides that the fishery is to remain closed unless fishery surveys indicate that adequate biomass is available for harvest.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9512). Click here to go to the Determination.</p>
Date of effect	1 May 2008
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Eastern Tuna and Billfish Fishery, Western Tuna and Billfish Fishery, Southern Bluefin Tuna Fishery, Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Island Fishery, and High Seas Fishery

Title	Australian Pelagic Longline Daily Fishing Log Determination AL06, 2007
Description of issue	<p>The Determination determines the form and content of the logbook to be kept and maintained by Commonwealth pelagic fishing concession holders in the Eastern Tuna and Billfish Fishery, Western Tuna and Billfish Fishery, Southern Bluefin Tuna Fishery and Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Island Fishery by reference to the AL06 logbook at Attachment A to the Determination.</p> <p>AFMA determined that a Regulation Impact Statement was not required based on previous advice from the OBPR. OBPR was not formally consulted. Click here to go to Determination.</p>
Date of effect	21 November 2007
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Title	Commonwealth Pelagic Fisheries Catch Disposal Record Determination No. PTO2A
Description of issue	<p>The Determination determines the form and content of the logbook to be kept and maintained by all relevant concession holders in the Eastern Tuna and Billfish Fishery, Western Tuna and Billfish Fishery, and High Seas Fishery.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9639). Click here to go to the Determination.</p>
Date of effect	6 June 2008
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Antarctic Fisheries and Skipjack Fishery

Title	Determination No. HIMIF 2007/2008 TAC D6 - Total Allowable Catch Determination - 2007/2008 Season
Description of issue	<p>The Determination provides the total allowable catches for target species and catch limits for bycatch species within the Heard Island and McDonald Islands Fishery for the 2007/2008 season. The target species are Patagonian toothfish and mackerel icefish.</p> <p>AFMA determined that a Regulation Impact Statement was not required based on previous advice from the OBPR. OBPR was not formally consulted. Click here to go to the Determination.</p>
Date of effect	30 November 2007
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Title	Macquarie Island Toothfish Fishery Closure Direction No. 1 of 2008
Description of issue	<p>This Direction prohibits fishing in the Aurora Trough Sector of the Macquarie Island Toothfish Fishery for the period 30 June 2008 to 30 September 2008. The only operator licensed to fish in the Aurora Trough sector has indicated that they will not be starting operations before December 2008, so this Closure Direction will not impact significantly on their operations.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9695). Click here to go to the Determination.</p>
Date of effect	27 June 2008
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Title	Macquarie Island Toothfish Fishery Management Plan 2006 - Determination No. MITF TAC D3 - Total Allowable Catch Determination - 2008/2009 Season
Description of issue	Determines the total allowable catch for Patagonian Toothfish and bycatch species for the 2008/09 fishing season for the Macquarie Island Toothfish Fishery. A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9693). Click here to go to the Determination .
Date of effect	27 June 2008
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Southern Bluefin Tuna Fishery

Title	Southern Bluefin Tuna Fishery Management Plan 1995 – 2007/08 SBT Australian National Catch Allocation Determination
Description of issue	At the thirteenth meeting of the Commission for the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna (CCSBT) in October 2006 held in Miyazaki, Japan the Commission agreed on a global total allowable catch for SBT for three years. CCSBT confirmed this decision at their 14th meeting in October 2007. The total allowable catch set by CCSBT for the species worldwide is 11,810 tonnes. Australia received a National Allocation of 5,265 tonnes. In considering outcomes from CCSBT and other relevant information on 25 October 2007 AFMA determined a national catch allocation of 5,265,000 kilograms for the 2007/2008 season. A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9345). Click here to go to the Determination .
Date of effect	27 October 2007
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Title	Southern Bluefin Tuna Fishery Management Plan Amendment 2008 (No. 1)
Description of issue	<p>The instrument has been made to ensure that the management arrangements for the Southern Bluefin Tuna Fishery are consistent with Australia's domestic and international obligations and reflect the changing nature of the fishery. Minor amendments have also been included to update recent changes to AFMA's address details and to reflect the recent modification of the objectives in the <i>Fisheries Management Act 1991</i>.</p> <p>A Regulation Impact Statement was not required (OBPR No 9345). Click here to go to the Amendment.</p>
Date of effect	27 February 2008
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