

**CONSERVATION MEASURE 130/XVI**  
**Fishery for *Champscephalus gunnari* in Statistical Division 58.5.2**  
**in the 1997/98 Fishing Season**

1. The total catch for *Champscephalus gunnari* on the Heard Island plateau shall be limited to 900 tonnes in the 1997/98 fishing season.
2. Fishing shall cease if the by-catch of any of the species listed in Conservation Measure 132/XVI (other species) reaches its by-catch limit.
3. For the purposes of this Conservation Measure, the Heard Island plateau is defined as that portion of Statistical Division 58.5.2 that lies within the area bounded by the following limits:
  - (i) starting at the point where the 72°15'E meridian intersects the Australia–France Maritime Delimitation Agreement Boundary southwards to the point 53°25'S:72°15'E;
  - (ii) then eastwards along the parallel of 53°25'S to 74°00'E;
  - (iii) then to the point 52°40'S:76°00'E;
  - (iv) then northwards along the meridian 76°00'E to 52°00'S;
  - (v) then to the point 51°00'S:74°30'E; and
  - (vi) then westwards along the parallel of 51°00'S to connect with the starting point.

A chart illustrating the above definition is appended to this Conservation Measure (Annex 130/A).

4. For the purposes of this fishery on *Champscephalus gunnari*, the 1997/98 fishing season is defined as the period from 8 November 1997 to the end of the Commission meeting in 1998.
5. The catch limit may only be taken by trawling.
6. Where any haul contains more than 100 kg of *Champscephalus gunnari*, and more than 10% of the *Champscephalus gunnari* by number are smaller than 240 mm total length, the fishing vessel shall move to another fishing location at least 5 n miles distant<sup>1</sup>. The fishing vessel shall not return to any point within 5 n miles of the location where the catch of small *Champscephalus gunnari* exceeded 10% for a period of at least five days<sup>2</sup>. The location where the catch of small *Champscephalus gunnari* exceeded 10% is defined as the path followed by the fishing vessel from the point at which the fishing gear was first deployed from the fishing vessel to the point at which the fishing gear was retrieved by the fishing vessel.

7. Each vessel participating in the fishery shall have at least one scientific observer, and include, if available, one appointed in accordance with the CCAMLR Scheme of International Scientific Observation, on board throughout all fishing activities.
8. Each vessel operating in the *Champtocephalus gunnari* fishery in Statistical Division 58.5.2 shall have a VMS<sup>s</sup> at all times.
9. A ten-day catch and effort reporting system shall be implemented:
  - (i) for the purposes of implementing this system, the calendar month shall be divided into three reporting periods, viz: day 1 to day 10, day 11 to day 20 and day 21 to the last day of the month. The reporting periods are hereafter referred to as periods A, B and C;
  - (ii) at the end of each reporting period, each Contracting Party participating in the fishery shall obtain from each of its vessels its total catch and total days and hours fished for that period and shall, by cable, telex, facsimile or electronic transmission, transmit the aggregated catch and days and hours fished for its vessels so as to reach the Executive Secretary no later than the end of the next reporting period;
  - (iii) a report must be submitted by every Contracting Party taking part in the fishery for each reporting period for the duration of the fishery, even if no catches are taken;
  - (iv) the catch of *Champtocephalus gunnari* and of all by-catch species must be reported;
  - (v) such reports shall specify the month and reporting period (A, B and C) to which each report refers;
  - (vi) immediately after the deadline has passed for receipt of the reports for each period, the Executive Secretary shall notify all Contracting Parties engaged in fishing activities in the division of the total catch taken during the reporting period and the total aggregate catch for the season to date; and
  - (vii) at the end of every three reporting periods, the Executive Secretary shall inform all Contracting Parties of the total catch taken during the three most recent reporting periods and the total aggregate catch for the season to date.
10. A fine-scale effort and biological data reporting system shall be implemented:
  - (i) the scientific observer(s) aboard each vessel shall collect the data required to complete the CCAMLR fine-scale catch and effort data form C1, latest version. These data shall be submitted to the CCAMLR Secretariat not later than one month after the vessel returns to port;
  - (ii) the catch of *Champtocephalus gunnari* and all by-catch species must be reported;

- (iii) the numbers of seabirds and marine mammals of each species caught and released or killed must be reported;
  - (iv) the scientific observers(s) aboard each vessel shall collect data on the length composition from representative samples of *Champscephalus gunnari* and by-catch species:
    - (a) length measurements shall be to the nearest centimetre below; and
    - (b) representative samples of length composition shall be taken from each fine-scale grid rectangle (0.5° latitude by 1° longitude) fished in each calendar month; and
  - (v) the above data shall be submitted to the CCAMLR Secretariat not later than one month after the vessel returns to port.
11. If, in the course of the directed fishery for *Champscephalus gunnari*, the by-catch in any one haul of any one of the species *Notothenia rossii*, *Lepidonotothen squamifrons*, *Channichthys rhinoceratus* or *Bathyraja* spp. either,
- is greater than 100 kg and exceeds 5% of the total catch of all fish by weight, or,
  - is equal to, or greater than 2 tonnes, then

the fishing vessel shall move to another fishing location at least 5 n miles distant<sup>1</sup>. The fishing vessel shall not return to any point within 5 n miles of the location where the by-catch exceeded 5% for a period of at least five days<sup>2</sup>. The location where the by-catch exceeded 5% is defined as the path followed by the fishing vessel from the point at which the fishing gear was first deployed from the fishing vessel to the point at which the fishing gear was retrieved by the fishing vessel.

<sup>1</sup> This provision is adopted pending the adoption of a more appropriate definition of a fishing location by the Commission.

<sup>2</sup> The specified period is adopted in accordance with the reporting period specified in Conservation Measure 51/XII, pending the adoption of a more appropriate period by the Commission.

<sup>3</sup> As described in Resolution 12/XVI.

CHART OF THE HEARD ISLAND PLATEAU

