

Attachment 2: Scenario 2

Southern inshore trawl region identifies a recovered biomass (>20%)

Proposed precautionary harvest arrangements

Option 1: Regional TACC limits only

- Scallop survey identifies biomass levels for the 3 trawl regions separately:
 - Southern inshore reopens
 - Southern offshore remains open
 - Central reopens
- A precautionary total allowable commercial catch (TACC) is prescribed at 21% of available surveyed biomass for the southern inshore, southern offshore and central regions.

Example:

Region:	Southern inshore	Southern offshore	Central
Legal exploitable survey biomass	2114 t shell weight	1548 t shell weight	200 t shell weight
TACC	444 t shell weight (~15,000 baskets)	325 t shell weight (~10,000 baskets)	42 t shell weight (~1,200 baskets)

- Scallops can be taken by T1 and T2 operators from midday 1 March.
- T1 operators are required to land prior to continuing a fishing operation in another region. Transiting through a region to a landing area or port area can occur.
- T1 and T2 operators are required to prior report approximate baskets/containers prior to landing and provide a weights notice (kilograms of whole shell) within 48 hours of landing, when the scallop leaves their possession or before commencing another fishing operation.
- Scallops are no take for T1 and T2 operators from midday 1 May or the closure of the TACC.
- Fishers with scallops must return to a port area within 16 hours of closure of TACC or by midday 1 May. Fishers cannot leave the port area until scallop is landed.

Option 2: Regional trip limits and regional TACC limits

1. Scallop survey identifies biomass levels for the 3 trawl regions separately:
 - Southern inshore reopens
 - Southern offshore remains open
 - Central reopens
2. A precautionary total allowable commercial catch (TACC) is prescribed at 21% of available surveyed biomass for the southern inshore, southern offshore and central regions.

Example:

Region:	Southern inshore	Southern offshore	Central
Legal exploitable survey biomass	2114 t shell weight	1548 t shell weight	200 t shell weight
TACC	444 t shell weight (~15,000 baskets)	325 t shell weight (~10,000 baskets)	42 t shell weight (~1,200 baskets)

3. Scallops can be taken by T1 & T2 operators from midday 1 March.
4. Scallops in-possession limit (trip limit) is set at the following options.

Proposal:

Region:	Southern inshore	Southern offshore	Central
Trip limit	260 baskets/trip (9,100 kg shell weight)	400 baskets/trip (14,000 kg shell weight)	80 baskets/trip (2,800 kg shell weight)

5. T1 operators are required to land prior to continuing a fishing operation in another region. Transiting through a region to a landing area or port area can occur.
6. T1 and T2 operators are required to prior report approximate baskets/containers prior to landing and provide a weights notice (kilogram of whole shell) within 48 hours of landing, when the scallop leaves their possession or before commencing another fishing operation.
7. Scallops are no take for T1 and T2 operators from midday 1 May or the closure of the TACC.
8. Fishers with scallops must return to a port area within 16 hours of closure of TACC or by midday 1 May. Fishers cannot leave the port area until scallop is landed.

Option 3: Same trip limit and regional TACC limits

1. Scallop survey identifies biomass levels for the 3 trawl regions separately:
 - Southern inshore reopens
 - Southern offshore remains open
 - Central reopens
2. A precautionary total allowable commercial catch (TACC) is prescribed at 21% of available surveyed biomass for the southern inshore, southern offshore and central regions.

Example:

Region:	Southern inshore	Southern offshore	Central
Legal exploitable survey biomass	2114 t shell weight	1548 t shell weight	200 t shell weight
TACC	444 t shell weight (~15,000 baskets)	325 t shell weight (~10,000 baskets)	42 t shell weight (~1,200 baskets)

3. Scallops can be taken by T1 and T2 operators from midday 1 March.
4. Scallops in-possession limit (trip limit) is set at the following options.

Proposal:

Region	Southern inshore	Southern offshore	Central
Trip limit	100 baskets/trip 3,500 kg shell weight	100 baskets/trip 3,500 kg shell weight	100 baskets/trip 3,500 kg shell weight

5. T1 operators are required to land prior to continuing a fishing operation in another region. Transiting through a region to a landing area or port area can occur.
6. T1 and T2 operators are required to prior report approximate baskets/containers prior to landing and provide a weights notice (kilogram of whole shell) within 48 hours of landing, when the scallop leaves their possession or before commencing another fishing operation.
7. Scallops are no take for T1 and T2 operators from midday 1 May or the closure of the TACC.
8. Fishers with scallops must return to a port area within 16 hours of closure of TACC or by midday 1 May. Fishers cannot leave the port area until scallop is landed.