

Fisheries Act 1995

FISHERIES NOTICE 2026

I, Luke O’Sullivan, Director Fisheries Management, Science, Policy, Licensing and Communications Division of the Victorian Fisheries Authority, as delegate the Minister for Outdoor Recreation and having considered the outcome of consultation in accordance with Section 3A of the *Fisheries Act 1995* (the Act), make the following Fisheries Notice under Section 152 of the Act:

Dated: 7/04/2026



Luke O’Sullivan

**Director of Fisheries Management and Boating
Victorian Fisheries Authority**

FISHERIES (ROACH AND TENCH CATCH LIMIT) NOTICE 2026

1. Title

This Notice may be cited as the Fisheries (Roach and Tench Catch Limit) Notice 2026.

2. Objective

The objective of this Notice is to fix catch and possession limits for recreational take of roach and tench across Victorian waters.

3. Authorising provision

This Notice is made under section 152 of the Act.

4. Commencement

This Notice comes into operation on the day its published in the Victorian Government Gazette.

5. Definitions

In this Fisheries Notice –

‘roach’ means *Rutilus rutilus*;

‘tench’ means *Tinca tinca*;

‘the Act’ means the **Fisheries Act 1995**.

6. Catch and possession limit

Despite regulation 161(3) of the **Fisheries Regulations 2019**, in the case of roach and tench, there is no limit on the possession or the taking of these species of fish from Victorian waters.

7. Revocation

Unless sooner revoked, this Notice will be automatically revoked 12 months after the day on which it comes into operation.

Notes

Section 152(3) of the Act provides that if a Fisheries Notice is inconsistent with any regulations, management plan, Ministerial direction, licence or permit, the Fisheries Notice prevails to the extent of the inconsistency.

Penalties under this notice are set in accordance with section 152(7)(c) of the Act which allow the imposition of penalties not exceeding 50 penalty units for a contravention of an offence under a fisheries notice.