

**Essential Services Commission Act 2001**  
COUNCIL RATE CAP COMPLIANCE 2020–21

The Essential Services Commission has prepared an annual report on council compliance with the rate caps for 2020–21, in accordance with section 10E(2) of the **Essential Services Commission Act 2001**.

Copies of the report are available on the commission's website at <https://www.esc.vic.gov.au/local-government/council-compliance-rate-caps/council-compliance-reports>. Hard copies are available by calling the commission on (03) 9032 1300. Copies of past reports are also available on the commission's website.

This notice is prepared in accordance with section 10E(5) of the **Essential Services Commission Act 2001**.

**Fisheries Act 1995**  
FISHERIES NOTICE

I, Travis Dowling, Chief Executive Officer of the Victorian Fisheries Authority, as delegate of the Minister for Fishing and Boating 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 8 January 2021

TRAVIS DOWLING  
Chief Executive Officer  
Victorian Fisheries Authority

**FISHERIES (SPIDER CRAB) NOTICE 2021**

- 1. Title**  
This Notice may be cited as the Fisheries (Spider Crab) Notice 2021.
- 2. Objective**  
The objective of this Notice is to fix a reduced catch and possession limit for spider crabs by recreational fishers across Victorian waters.
- 3. Authorising provision**  
This Notice is made under section 152 of the Act.
- 4. Commencement**  
This Notice comes into operation on 1 February 2021.
- 5. Definitions**  
In this Notice –  
*spider crab* means spider crabs from the family Majidae.
- 6. Catch and possession limit**  
For the purposes of the Act, the daily catch limit with respect to –
  - (a) the taking of spider crab from Victorian waters; or
  - (b) the possession of spider crab in, on or next to any Victorian waters – is 15 spider crabs.  
**Note:** There are offences in sections 68A and 68B of the Act relating to taking or possessing fish of a species in excess of the catch limit in these Regulations specified for that species of fish. Various penalties apply.
- 7. Revocation**  
Unless sooner revoked, this Notice will be revoked on 31 January 2022.

**Note:** 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.