Notice to Fishers

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THE 2016 SCALLOP FISHERIES MANAGEMENT PLAN – SFA 23

The following management measures will be in effect for the 2016 fishing season:

- <u>Fishing Season</u>: Open at 0600 hrs on the first Monday in July (July 4) and closed at 1800 on the last Saturday in August (August 27). Reopening at 0600 hrs on the October 24 and closing at 1800 hrs on the last Saturday in November (November 26). Daily closures from 1800 hrs to 0600 hrs the following day and closed all Sundays.
- <u>Washers</u>: **NEW FOR 2016** A maximum of two (2) steel washers may be used to join each side of the rings together giving a maximum of 8 steel washers per ring. In addition, one rubber washer may be used vertically to join two (2) bucket rings together. The maximum outside diameter of rubber washers must not exceed 50.8mm. Furthermore, chaffing gear on the underside of the drag will be allowed when the rings are joined only with steel washers.
- <u>Meat Count</u>: 33 per 500 gm of meat.
- <u>Logbook Requirements</u>: Fishers are required to maintain a record of their estimated catches in a logbook prior to entering port. Fishers are required to forward their logbooks to DFO no later than 2 weeks following the closure of the fishing season.
- <u>Ring Size</u>: The authorized ring size in the bucket construction is set at 82.6 mm with the exception of the first row of rings attached to the bucket frame where the inside diameter of all rings shall not be less than 76.2 mm.
- <u>Drag Size</u>: maximum width of 6.09 m outside measurements.
- <u>Tow Bar</u>: The tow bar must be raised at least 50.8 mm with the use of runners or wheels that are located at both extremities of the bar and being at least 50.8 mm wide.
- <u>Offloading Requirements</u>: Licence holders are not authorized to land (offload) any other part of the scallop except for the adductor muscle (no roe or other internal organs of the scallop may be retained).

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