THE FISHERIES (CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT) ORDINANCE 2005

<u>'C' and 'X' LICENCE PART 2</u>

DORYTEUTHIS GAHI

SPECIFIC CONDITIONS

1. **Prohibition of the discard of loligo (Doryteuthis gahi)**

a) No undamaged loligo (*Doryteuthis gahi*) is to be discarded.

b) It is further not permitted for Loligo (*Doryteuthis gahi*) to be discarded by reason of the factory processing operation being unable to keep up with the amount of trawled catch. In these circumstances, fishing must cease while the backlog of catch is processed.

c) It is not permitted for loligo (*Doryteuthis gahi*) to be processed into fish meal.

2. <u>Fishing Area</u>

a) The license is only valid for fishing in the area depicted as the permitted fishing area on the chart attached and titled: Falkland Conservation Zones – Falkland Conservation Zones – Valid Fishing Area: Licence Category C & X

b) The licenced vessel must not proceed within the territorial base lines for transit purposes, unless all nets and fishing gear are stowed in such a way as to be unavailable for use.

3. <u>Mitigation of Marine Mammal Mortalities</u>

The use of an approved Seal Exclusion Device (SED) is compulsory from the first day of fishing. Approved specifications for SEDs are found in section 6 of Guidance Notes for Masters (Trawlers) 2023

4. <u>By-catch</u>

a) The permitted species under this licence is **Loligo** (*Doryteuthis gahi*), also known as Calamari

b) The total **daily** aggregate by-catch limit for species that are not permitted under this licence type is 10%. The following species should be included in the calculation of by-catch: Short Fin Squid (*Illex argentinus*), Hake (*Merluccius spp.*), Southern Blue Whiting (*Micromesistius australis*), Hoki (*Macruronus magellanicus*), Red Cod (*Salilota australis*), Kingclip (*Genypterus blacodes*), Grenadier (*Macrourus spp.*) and all Skates (*Rajidae*).

c) The total daily aggregate by-catch limit for **Toothfish** (*Dissostichus eleginoides*) within the 10% calculation is 1.5%.

d) All other species must also be reported but should not be included in the 10% by-catch calculation figures.

e) The grid square taken into consideration is the midday grid position.

f) If the by-catch exceeds the permitted percentage limit for the day, the Fisheries Department will consider closing the grid square for a period 5 days. They will do so by notifying the whole fishing fleet, companies and agents of the closure.

g) The vessel(s) with high by-catch do not **have** to leave the grid square until instructed to do so by the Fisheries Department but may choose to voluntarily leave the grid square before then.

5. <u>Compensatory days</u>

a) A vessel has 6 compensatory days, which must be whole days. These days can only be used for; bad weather, mechanical issues, crew rest or for a late start to the season¹ (¹only if agreed by the Director of Natural Resources).

b) A vessel utilising a compensatory day must notify FISHOPS that it is doing so.

c) Any compensatory days utilised will be added on at the end of the season, unless the season is ended early for conservation measures. The compensatory days must be used immediately following the Licence period.

d) In the situation that the season is ended early any compensatory days used will be lost.

e) A vessel may cancel their intention to use a compensatory day but must notify FISHOPS of the fact.