

THE CATCHING OF LOBSTER (PANULIRUS SPP.), CRAB (SCYLLA SPP.), AND SMALL CRAB (PORTUNUS SPP.)

(Circular of the Minister of Marine and Fishery Number
18/MEN-KP/I/2015, dated January 20, 2015)

THE MINISTER OF MARINE AND FISHERY OF
THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA

To.

1. Governors;
2. Regents/Mayors;
3. Head of Provincial and Regency/Municipal Service
in charge of marine and fishery affairs;
4. Heads of Technical Executive Units within the
Ministry of Marine and Fishery;

Throughout Indonesia

Since the population of Lobster (Panulirus spp.), crab (Scylla spp.), and small crab (Portunus spp.) has decreased in various regions and in the framework of preserving the existence and availability of stocks of the three species, the Minister of Marine and Fishery has stipulated Regulation of the Minister of Marine and Fishery Number 1/PERMEN-KP/2015 on the Catching of Lobster (Panulirus spp.), Crab (Scylla spp.), and Small Crab (Portunus spp.)

The ministerial regulation contains prohibition

on the catching of lobster (Panulirus spp.), crab (Scylla spp.), and small crab (Portunus spp.) in the state of laying egg and regulation regarding the restriction of size of the three species which may be caught.

The restriction of the size of Lobster (Panulirus spp.), crab (Scylla spp.), and small crab (Portunus spp.) which may be caught is executed gradually as follows:

1. From January 2015 to December 2015, the limit of weight which may be caught and traded is as follows:
 - a. Lobster (Panulirus spp.), > 200 (two hundred) grams;
 - b. crab (Scylla spp.), > 200 (two hundred) grams; and
 - c. small crab (Portunus spp.), > 55 (fifty five) grams; and
 - d. soka crab (Scylla spp.), > 150 (one hundred fifty) grams.
2. From January 2016 and so on, the limit of weight which may be caught and traded is as follows:
 - a. Lobster (Panulirus spp.) with the length > 8 (eight) centimeter or weight > 300 (three

hundred) grams;

- b. crab (*Scylla* spp.) with the length > 15 (fifteen) centimeter or weight > 350 (three hundred fifty) grams; and
- c. small crab (*Portunus* spp.) with the length > 10 cm (ten centimeter or weight > 55 (fifty five) grams.

The provision on the prohibition and restriction of the catching of lobster (*Panulirus* spp.), crab (*Scylla* spp.), and small crab (*Portunus* spp.) is in exception for research and development as well as education. The whole directors general and heads of agencies in the Ministry of Marine and Fishery implement this circular by virtue of their respective tasks and functions.

This is for your attention and implementation promptly.

Stipulated in Jakarta

On January 20, 2015

THE MINISTER OF MARINE AND FISHERY OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA,

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