

Fauna (Protection and Control) Maza Wildlife Management Area Rules 1979

INDEPENDENT STATE OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA.

MADE under the *Fauna (Protection and Control) Act 1966*.

1. Interpretation.

In these Rules, unless the contrary intention appears "the Area" means the Maza Wildlife Management Area.

2. Traditional hand-harpoon method may be used.

A person may at any time take or catch a dugong within the Area by the traditional hand-harpoon method from a canoe, whether powered by out-board engine or otherwise.

3. Restriction on netting dugongs.

(1) A person must not take or catch a dugong within the Area by means of a net except—

(a) during the months of May, June and July; and

(b) in the immediate area of Daru Island.

(2) Where a net is used to take or catch a dugong the mesh size must not exceed 25.4cm.

4. Best endeavours not to take, etc., mother or baby.

A person must use his best endeavour not to take, catch or kill within the Area a mother dugong or a baby dugong.

5. Selling of dugongs.

(1) A dugong taken or caught within the Area may only be sold in the market at Daru.

(2) Where a person intends to sell a dugong in the market at Daru he must, prior to offering it for sale, bring it to the Daru Wildlife Division Dugong Project Office for inspection by—

(a) a Wildlife Officer; or

(b) a member of the Maza Wildlife Management Committee; or

(c) any person authorized by a Wildlife Officer or member of the Maza Wildlife Management Committee.

6. Penalty.

A person who, without reasonable cause, (proof of which is on him), contravenes or fails to comply with a provision of these Rules is liable to the appropriate penalties set out in the Act.

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