Maritime Zones (Baselines of Territorial Sea) Regulations 2020

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Order in Executive Council

At Avarua, Rarotonga this 29th day of September 2020

Present:

His Excellency the Queen’s Representative in Executive Council

Pursuant to sections 14 and 20 of the Maritime Zones Act 2018, His Excellency the Queen’s Representative, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, makes the following regulations—

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Regulations

1 Title
These regulations are the Maritime Zones (Baselines of Territorial Sea) Regulations 2020.
2 **Commencement**
These regulations come into force on the day after the date on which they are made.

3 **Interpretation**
In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, *baseline* means the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea, contiguous zone, exclusive economic zone and continental shelf is measured.

## Part 1
### Territorial Sea Baselines

4 **Territorial Sea Baselines**
(1) The baselines for the territorial sea in the Cook Islands are specified in the tables in Schedule 1 as follows—

(a) Part 1 specifies the points on the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea around Penrhyn is measured:

(b) Part 2 specifies the points on the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea around Rakahanga is measured:

(c) Part 3 specifies the points on the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea around Manihiki is measured:

(d) Part 4 specifies the points on the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea around Pukapuka is measured:

(e) Part 5 specifies the points on the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea around Nassau is measured:

(f) Part 6 specifies the points on the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea around Suwarrow is measured:

(g) Part 7 specifies the points on the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea around Palmerston is measured:

(h) Part 8 specifies the points on the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea around Aitutaki is measured:

(i) Part 9 specifies the points on the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea around Manuae is measured:

(j) Part 10 specifies the points on the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea around Takutea is measured:

(k) Part 11 specifies the points on the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea around Mitiaro is measured:

(l) Part 12 specifies the points on the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea around Atiu is measured:

(m) Part 13 specifies the points on the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea around Mauke is measured:

(n) Part 14 specifies the points on the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea around Rarotonga is measured:

(o) Part 15 specifies the points on the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea around Mangaia is measured.
Part 2
Guide to reading Schedules

5 Guide to reading Schedule 1
(1) In the tables in Schedules 1—
   (a) the first column sets out the point identifier; and
   (b) the second and third columns set out the geographic coordinates for each point; and
   (c) the fourth column sets out the zone or zones measured from the point.
(2) In the fourth column of the tables—
   (a) TS means territorial sea; and
   (b) CZ means contiguous zone; and
   (c) EEZ means exclusive economic zone and continental shelf.

6 Geodetic framework
In these regulations, points defined by geographic coordinates are determined by reference to the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84).

7 Illustrative chart
(1) The chart in Schedule 2 provides a general illustration of the points on the baselines specified in Schedule 1 and the baselines.
(2) Schedule 1 prevails if there is any inconsistency between Schedule 1 and Schedule 2.
Schedule 1
Geographical Coordinates
(Removed for the purposes of this presentation)
Schedule 2

Chart Illustrating the Territorial Sea Baselines of the Cook Islands

Note: This chart provides a general illustration of the points on the baselines specified in Schedule 1 and the baselines.
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Clerk of the Executive Council

These regulations are administered by the Ministry of Marine Resources.
These regulations were made on the day of 2020.