

Ministry of Health, the Environment, Energy and Climate Change

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Bluefin Tuna Open Season

The Department of the Environment and Climate Change would like to inform all recreational anglers that the open season for Bluefin tuna in British Gibraltar Territorial Waters commences on Tuesday 16th June 2015. Anglers are reminded that a Class K licence is required to fish for Bluefin tuna in Gibraltar. Both Application and Tuna Catch forms are available online from the Department of the Environment's website (https://www.gibraltar.gov.gi/new/marine-protection---permits).

Any Bluefin Tuna caught within British Gibraltar Territorial Waters needs to be reported to the Department of the Environment. A dedicated office and landing point has been created within the North Mole (No. 1 Jetty) where anglers will be able to dock against the jetty to weigh and report any tuna catches from 08:00 to 14:30. Any catches landed from 14:30 to sunset can also be weighed and reported by contacting the on-call landing point staff on mobile number 54020033. The landing point staff will assist anglers in completing the required catch form. Alternatively, anglers may also submit the required catch forms electronically to catches@marinemanagement.gi or info.environment@gibraltar.gov.gi within 24 hours of landing a tuna.

For further information on the Bluefin tuna open season please contact the Department of the Environment and Climate Change on Tel: 200 48450.