Octopus Closed Season and Maximum Catch Limit Notice 2023

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In exercise of the powers conferred upon it by regulations 41(3), 41(4)(b) and 41(5) of the Marine Protection Regulations 2014, the Authority has, after consultation with the Nature Conservancy Council, issued the following Notice-

Title.

1. This Notice may be cited as the Octopus Closed Season and Maximum Catch Limit Notice 2023.

Commencement.

2. This Notice comes into operation on the day of publication.

Application.

3. The capture of any Common Octopus (*Octopus vulgaris*) within British Gibraltar Territorial Waters is prohibited from 28th April 2023 to 3rd June 2023, both days inclusive.

4. The maximum catch of Common Octopus (*Octopus vulgaris*) shall be limited to 5 kilograms per person and/or vessel, in any single day, from 4th June 2023 to 25th June 2023, both days inclusive.

Dated: 27th April 2023.

Prof. J CORTES,

Minister with responsibility for the Environment,

For and on behalf of the Authority.