



Black teatfish opening Checklist for fish receivers



Start date: 23 March 2026

BEFORE 23 March 2026

CHECK	Your new and existing licence conditions	<input type="checkbox"/>
RENEW	Your fish receiver licence if it has expired or is due to expire soon	<input type="checkbox"/>
UPDATE	Your contact details with AFMA: <ul style="list-style-type: none">mobile phone numberemailpremises where you will be receiving product, including if camping on an uninhabited island	<input type="checkbox"/>
PLAN	Ahead and make sure you have : <ul style="list-style-type: none">enough pages left in your Catch Disposal Record (CDR) bookthe ability to email, SMS or fax an image/photo of your completed CDR to AFMA from your fish receiver premisesmobile phone reception and internet connectionScales to accurately weigh received fish	<input type="checkbox"/>
NOMINATE	If required, an authorised agent to sign the fish receiver section of the CDR. The same person cannot sign the fisher details section and the fish receiver section of the CDR	<input type="checkbox"/>

DURING black teatfish opening

REPORT DAILY	You must send an image/photo of your completed CDR electronically to AFMA by 11:00pm on the same day you receive the catch. This means daily to: SMS: 0437 825 291 Email: blackteatfish@afma.gov.au Fax: (07) 4069 1277	<input type="checkbox"/>
CHECK	Your mobile phone, email and www.pzja.gov.au for AFMA messages on: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Daily catch updates2. When to stop receiving (the TAC Date[#])	<input type="checkbox"/>

AFTER TAC DATE[#] DO NOT RECEIVE BLACK TEATFISH

[#] The **TAC Date** is the specific date and time that the PZJA or its delegate determines as the last day of fishing for black teatfish based on its reasonable belief that the TAC will be reached, in order to avoid an overcatch of the TAC. If the last day of fishing for black teatfish is not a full day, the PZJA or its delegate may provide additional time to receive black teatfish after the TAC Date.

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Rules for fish receivers



Fish receivers MUST

- ✓ Hold a current fish receiver licence
- ✓ Ensure the receiver premises on the licence are up-to-date
- ✓ Only receive catches from licenced fishers
- ✓ Only receive catch at premises nominated on your fish receiver licence
- ✓ Send an image/photo of your completed CDRs electronically to AFMA by 11:00pm **on the same day** you receive the catch. This means **daily**

Fish receivers MUST NOT

- ✗ Receive black teatfish **before** 23 March 2026
- ✗ Receive black teatfish **after the TAC Date**[#]

How to report

Send an image/photo of your completed CDR electronically to AFMA on the **same day** you receive the catch. This means **daily** to:

SMS: 0437 825 291
Email: blackteatfish@afma.gov.au
Fax: (07) 4069 1277

For more information, contact AFMA

Thursday Island Office
Phone: (07) 4069 1990
Fax: (07) 4069 1277
Email: blackteatfish@afma.gov.au

AFMA Licensing
Phone: 1300 723 621
Phone: (02) 6225 5555
Email: licensing@afma.gov.au

Report illegal fishing to CRIMFISH on 1800 274 634