Recreational fishing seasons 2023

2023 2024 JAN FEB MAR **APR** MAY JUN **JULY AUG SEPT OCT** NOV DEC **FEB** JAN **West Coast Demersal Species** Closes Closes Closes Closes Opens **West Coast Demersal Scalefish** Apr 1* Dec 16* Feb 1* Aug 1* Sept 23* Oct 9* Feb 1* Baldchin groper - spawning closure Closes **Abrolhos Islands** Opens Note: this species and location is Oct 1* Jan 1* included in the West Coast Bioregion (WCB) closure Pink snapper - spawning closures Closes Opens Opens **Cockburn and Warnbro Sounds** Aug 1* Feb 1* Feb 1* Note: this species and location is included in the WCB closure Closes **Opens** Sep 1* June 1* North Bernier Island Closes **Opens** Aug 1* **Eastern Gulf** May 1* Closes **Opens** Aug 15* Oct 1* **Freycinet Estuary** Blue swimmer crab Closes **Opens Swan River to Minninup Beach** Dec 1* Sept 1* Note: Cockburn Sound is closed to crab fishing year round Marron Closes Closes Opens **Opens** Jan 8* Feb 5* Jan 8* Feb 5* Note: seasons open and close at 12 noon Abalone and urchin **Open for four Saturdays** Open between between 7.00am and 8.00am 7.00am and 8.00am **Metropolitan Zone Abalone** on Jan 14, Feb 4 & throughout December to Feb 18 2023. February. Dates TBC. Closes **Opens** Southern Zone Abalone AND May 15* Oct 1* Northern and Southern Zone Urchin

Fishing permitted during solid coloured blocks