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# CODE OF CONDUCT

FOR RESPONSIBLE FISHING AND  
AQUACULTURE OPERATIONS

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The Northern Territory seafood industry understands and accepts its responsibility and accountability to conduct operations in a manner that continues to ensure resource sustainability, ecological integrity and economic viability.

This Code of Conduct specifies the principles and behaviour that industry participants commit to adhere to.

### **Environment**

- Ensure that operations are conducted in accordance with Northern Territory and Commonwealth laws and regulations, as well as with international laws, regulations, conventions, declarations and protocols adopted by Australia
- Take all reasonable measures to minimise impacts of their operational activities on the environment

### **Interactions with other user groups**

- Acknowledgment of and respect for the rights of all other resource users, land holders and land owners when carrying out operations
- Positive promotion of harmonious relations with other resource users, land holders and land owners

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## **Ecological Sustainability**

- Take appropriate measures to ensure fisheries continue to be harvested and utilised to maintain the sustainable use of Northern Territory aquatic resources
- Promotion and utilisation of new technologies and techniques which enhance sustainable fishing practices
- Continue to minimise impacts on non target species during fishing operations

## **Research**

- Support for research, including active participation where possible, which enhances ecological sustainability, productivity, protection of the environment and the viability of industry operations

## **Conservation**

- Acknowledgment that conservation is a shared responsibility and requires a spirit of cooperation among all industry participants, appropriate regulatory authorities and other key stakeholder groups

## **Resource Management**

- Actively participate in reviews, development of legislation and more detailed resource management decision making forums

## **Education**

- Promotion of and, when appropriate, participation in both specialised industry training and education opportunities in environmental awareness, conservation principles, occupational health and safety matters and good management practices

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