



## **CLOSED SEASON FOR SPEARFISHING**

## 1 JANUARY 2020 TO 31 MARCH 2021

## DURING THIS PERIOD IT IS AN OFFENCE TO SPEARFISH AT ANY TIME OR PLACE IN ST HELENA'S WATERS

The Spear Guns (Control) Ordinance states that during a closed season, no person shall have a hand held spear or spear gun in their possession on or within twenty meters of any tidal water or upon any beach or foreshore or while swimming or while in any vessel.

During this time most fish are at the spawning stage and it is therefore necessary to put measures in place to allow marine life a chance to breed and to grow into sustainable resources. The aim of the controlled season is not to stop people from enjoying the sea and its life but to respect our oceans and its resources.

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