## 8. Fishing Licences

## Types of Fishing Licence

- 8.5 The following type of fishing licence are recognised in the licencing of fishing activities in St Helena:
- 8.6 **Commercial fishing**: A commercial licence is issued to support fishing activities that contribute directly to meeting the Island's local and export requirements for fish.
- 8.7 **Exploratory fishing**: An exploratory licence may be issued to explore and identify opportunities for a fish species to be exploited sustainably on a commercial basis.
- 8.8 **Research fishing**: A research licence may be issued to fish for species not listed as protected species in Schedule 2 to the Environmental Protection Ordinance 2016 and provided such fishing is for a scientific, research or educational purpose.
- 8.9 **Sports fishing:** A sport licence is issued to a sports fishing operator who provides sports fishing opportunities to a paying client.
- 8.10 **Recreational fishing**: A recreational licence is issued to:
  - a vessel owner for recreational angling from a vessel or spearfishing activities through accessing the sea from the vessel; or an individual
  - for spearfishing activities undertaken by accessing the sea from the coastline.

## 20. Transhipment

- 20.1 St Helena's EFZ falls within the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) Convention Area. ICCAT Transhipment Recommendation 16-15 of June 2017 prohibits all atsea transhipments of tuna and tuna-like species and other species caught in association with these species, except for large scale pelagic-longline vessels with an overall length exceeding 24 metres. All other transhipments must take place in port.
- 20.2 Transhipment within St Helena's fishery limits of fish catch at- sea other than bait fish is prohibited.