CONSERVATION MEASURE 41-04 (2005) Limits on the exploratory fishery for *Dissostichus* spp. in Statistical Subarea 48.6 in the 2005/06 season

Species	toothfish
Area	48.6
Season	2005/06
Gear	longline

The Commission hereby adopts the following conservation measure in accordance with Conservation Measure 21-02:

Access

1. Fishing for *Dissostichus* spp. in Statistical Subarea 48.6 shall be limited to the exploratory longline fishery by Japan and New Zealand. The fishery shall be conducted by Japanese and New Zealand flagged vessels using longlines only. No more than one vessel per country shall fish at any one time.

Catch limit

2. The total catch of *Dissostichus* spp. in Statistical Subarea 48.6 in the 2005/06 season shall not exceed a precautionary catch limit of 455 tonnes north of 60°S and 455 tonnes south of 60°S.

Season

3. For the purpose of the exploratory longline fishery for *Dissostichus* spp. in Statistical Subarea 48.6, the 2005/06 season is defined as the period from 1 December 2005 to 30 November 2006.

By-catch

4. The by-catch in this fishery shall be regulated as set out in Conservation Measure 33-03.

Mitigation

- 5. The exploratory longline fishery for *Dissostichus* spp. in Statistical Subarea 48.6 shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of Conservation Measure 25-02, except paragraph 4 (night setting), which shall not apply as long as the requirements of Conservation Measure 24-02 are met.
- 6. Any vessel catching a total of three (3) seabirds shall immediately revert to night setting in accordance with Conservation Measure 25-02.
- 7. There shall be no offal discharge in this fishery.

Observers

8. Each vessel participating in the fishery shall have at least two scientific observers, one of whom shall be an observer appointed in accordance with the CCAMLR Scheme of International Scientific Observation, on board throughout all fishing activities within the fishing period.

Data: catch/effort

- 9. For the purpose of implementing this conservation measure in the 2005/06 season, the following shall apply:
 - (i) the Five-day Catch and Effort Reporting System set out in Conservation Measure 23-01;
 - (ii) the Monthly Fine-scale Catch and Effort Reporting System set out in Conservation Measure 23-04. Fine-scale data shall be submitted on a haul-by-haul basis.

10. For the purpose of Conservation Measures 23-01 and 23-04, the target species is *Dissostichus* spp. and by-catch species are defined as any species other than *Dissostichus* spp.

Data: biological

11. Fine-scale biological data, as required under Conservation Measure 23-05, shall be collected and recorded. Such data shall be reported in accordance with the CCAMLR Scheme of International Scientific Observation.

Research

12. Each vessel participating in this exploratory fishery shall conduct fishery-based research in accordance with the Research Plan and Tagging Program described in Conservation Measure 41-01, Annex B and Annex C respectively.

Discharge

- 13. All vessels participating in this exploratory fishery shall, south of 60°S, be prohibited from discharging:
 - (i) oil or fuel products or oily residues into the sea, except as permitted in Annex I of MARPOL 73/78;
 - (ii) garbage;
 - (iii) food wastes not capable of passing through a screen with openings no greater than 25 mm;
 - (iv) poultry or parts (including egg shells);
 - (v) sewage within 12 n miles of land or ice shelves, or sewage while the ship is travelling at a speed of less than 4 knots; or
 - (vi) incineration ash.

Additional elements

14. No live poultry or other living birds shall be brought into Statistical Subarea 48.6 south of 60°S and any dressed poultry not consumed shall be removed from Statistical Subarea 48.6 south of 60°S.