

Summary of recommendations on rock lobster TACs for the Tristan group of islands for the 2019/20¹ season

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Summary

OMP-based TAC recommendations for rock lobster TACs for the Tristan group of islands for the 2019/20 season are summarized.

Accepted OMPs are in place to recommend the annual TACs for rock lobster at Inaccessible, Nightingale, Gough and Tristan islands.

The TAC recommendations for these islands for the 2019 season are:

Inaccessible: **93 MT** (compared to 89 MT for 2018)
Nightingale: **85 MT** (compared to 83 MT for 2018)
Gough: **105 MT** (compared to 111 MT for 2018)
Tristan: **120 MT** (compared to 120 MT for 2018)

The Total TAC recommended for 2019 is therefore **403 (MT)** (compared to 403 MT for 2018)

Table of periods when OMPs are expected to be updated and reviewed.

		Nightingale	Tristan	Gough	Inaccessible
2017	Review	YES	YES	NO	NO
2018	Review	NO	NO	YES	YES
2019	Review	No for all islands, but commence exploring the incorporation of biomass survey indices into the OMPs			
2020	Review	YES	YES	NO	NO
2021	Review	NO	NO	YES	YES

¹ The convention used here is that the split season (e.g. 2016/17) is referred to as the "2016" season.