Ningaloo Marine Park is a diver’s paradise and offers tremendous scope for underwater activities such as spearfishing. Although spearfishing is a highly selective fishing method, it can have major impacts on resident reef fish being targeted in certain locations. As a means of managing spearfishing in a sustainable way, **specific regulations apply to spearfishing within Ningaloo Marine Park**, as follows:

- Spearfishing is prohibited in Sanctuary Zones
- Spearfishing is prohibited between Tantabiddi and Winderabandi Point – (see map overleaf)
- Spearfishing is prohibited in **ALL** Ningaloo Marine Park waters for:
  - Wrasses (FAMILY LABRIDAE) – includes Tuskfishes and Baldchin Groper and
  - Cods/Groper (FAMILY SERRANIDAE) - includes all Coral Trout species and Coronation Trout
- Spearfishing using compressed air (SCUBA or hookah) is prohibited in all Ningaloo Marine Park waters
- Spearfishing for rock lobster using a spear-gun, gidgie or hand-spear (pointed instrument) is prohibited in all Western Australian waters

**Spearfishing at the Muiron Islands...**

As with Sanctuary Zones, all fishing including spearfishing is prohibited in Conservation Areas at the Muiron Islands Marine Management Area. The prohibition on spearfishing for Wrasses and Cods/Groper, and the prohibition on spearfishing on compressed air, does not apply to the remaining waters at the Muiron Islands Marine Management Area.

*Please respect these rules and ‘fish for the future’.*

Take only the fish that you are permitted – refer to the Gascoyne Recreational Fishing Guide or the Department of Fisheries website for further information on bag and size limits at www.fish.wa.gov.au

Note: A prohibition on commercial spearfishing applies statewide

*Thank you for helping to protect Ningaloo Marine Park!*
Boundaries for spearfishing in Ningaloo Marine Park

Legend

Marine Park and Marine Management Area
- Sanctuary Zone or Conservation Area - fishing/spearfishing prohibited
- Spearfishing prohibited
- Other Zone types

Refer to Ningaloo Marine Park Zone Guide for the locations of all Sanctuary Zones

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