



RED CLAW FISHING AT LAKE PALUMA

Equipment

Queensland Fisheries regulations require trap entrances to be no more than 100mm diameter, height or width.

The use of normal crab pots will result in the trapping and drowning of native turtles and platypus.

Bait

Use only organic baits - potato and vegetable scraps work well. Do not use animal products or pierced cans as bait.

Restricted areas

The areas inside the exclusion zones are restricted. These areas are marked with a line of yellow buoys and are shown on the lake map near the boat ramp.

The rock walls (riprap) can be dangerous and should be avoided. These rocks have been tipped not placed and remain loose and finely balanced in some cases.

PENALTIES EXIST UNDER NQ WATER LOCAL LAW (RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES) 2002 FOR CONTRAVENTION OF THESE RULES

Introduced red claw species



(Cherax Quadricarinatus)

Take only Redclaw (*Cherax Quadricarinatus*). These are an introduced species in Lake Paluma and may have adverse impacts on native cherax populations.



Local native species of red claw

Return native species to the Lake including *Cherax Cairnsensis* and *Cherax Depressus* (pictured below).



(Cairnsensis)

This species is generally more green than blue in this area. When turned over, it has orange shading and orange claw tips are readily visible.



(Depressus)

The species found in Lake Paluma has all over green shading.