



Australian Fish Names – Update #4/2021

Dear Fish Names Stakeholder,

Next Fish Names Committee (FNC) Meeting – June 2022

If you are submitting an application to amend the Australian Fish Names Standard AS 5300 (www.fishnames.com.au), either by adding a new species or updating a currently listed species, all completed applications with supporting documents must be emailed through by **1 MAY 2022**. This will ensure they are added to the agenda for review.

Please email me if you require an application form or would like to know more about the process.

Applications Approved for Addition to the Australian Fish Names Standard AS 5300

Application 341: Akoya Pearl Oyster for *Pinctada imbricata fucata*.

Application 342: Blacklip Rock Oyster for *Saccostrea echinate*.

Both applications have met the Australian Standard requirements, including the policies and procedures and will be formally added to the fish names database www.fishnames.com.au within the next two weeks.

- Public consultation was open for 65 days (meeting the minimum 60-day requirement).
- 51 completed responses were received.
- The top three responding States: WA (32%), NSW (26%) and QLD (19%).
- The top three responding stakeholder groups: Producers – Aquaculture, Wholesale and Distribution, and Producer – Wild Capture / Harvest

Public Consultation

The next round of public consultation will start in February 2022 (post the busy holiday season), with details being provided closer to the time.

Scientific Name Updates

Improved genetic testing and other research are creating changes to scientific names. The FNC has no influence or input into scientific names, but is required to update the relevant species information to reflect such changes.

The following scientific names changes were highlighted at FNC 40A (Out of Session) and approved for updating. www.fishnames.com.au will be updated with these changes within the next two weeks.

CAAB CODE	CURRENT		CHANGING TO
	Scientific Name	Standard Name	Scientific Name
37 268900	<i>Lampris guttatus</i> & <i>Lampris immaculatus</i>	MOONFISHES	<i>Lampris australensis</i> & <i>Lampris immaculatus</i>
37 268001	<i>Lampris guttatus</i>	Opah	<i>Lampris australensis</i>

Fish Names Updates

The FNC is currently reviewing any inconsistencies of scientific names and Standard names against CAAB (<https://www.cmar.csiro.au/data/caab/>) and the Fish Names policies, procedures and protocols. This will be an ongoing process, with further updates provided as they are reviewed and approved by the FNC. The following inconsistencies were highlighted at FNC 40A and approved for updating. www.fishnames.com.au will be updated with these changes within the next two weeks.

CAAB CODE	CURRENT		CHANGING TO	REASON FOR CHANGE
	Scientific Name	Standard Name	Standard Name	
37 268900	<i>Lampris australensis</i> & <i>Lampris immaculatus</i>	MOONFISHS	MOONFISHES	Updating to the correct plural from 'S' to 'ES'
37 990013	Rhinobatidae & Rhinidae spp.	GITARFISHS	GITARFISHES	Updating to the correct plural from 'S' to 'ES'
37 345900	<i>Plagiogeneion</i> spp.	RUBYFISHS	RUBYFISHES	Updating to the correct plural from 'S' to 'ES'
37 384902	<i>Choerodon</i> spp.	TUSKFISHS	TUSKFISHES	Updating to the correct plural from 'S' to 'ES'
23 659000	Octopodidae, Eledonidae, Megaleledonidae, Bathypolypodidae, Enteroctopodidae	OCTOPUS	OCTOPUSES	Adding "ES" as the plural for a group name
23 659901	<i>Octopus</i> spp.	OCTOPUS	OCTOPUSES	Adding "ES" as the plural for a group name

For your information, currently on the www.fishnames.com.au there is a known issue of everything in the Scientific Name section showing italics including; spp., family names etc (see below examples). We are working on how to solve this issue and will advise once fixed.

STANDARD FISH NAME RUBYFISHS

Scientific Name
Plagiogeneion spp.

CAAB Code
37 345900

STANDARD FISH NAME PERIWINKLES

Scientific Name
Littorinidae, Neritidae, Trochidae, Margaritidae, Solariellidae, Tegulidae, Liotiidae, Areneidae & Turbinidae - undifferentiated

CAAB Code
24 094901

FNC also discussed the practical use of "- undifferentiated" as part of the scientific name (see PERIWINKLES above as an example). Although, this is how CAAB is structured, it is technically not required (or adds any value) to the Standard Names or Scientific Name. In certain cases, it causes issues with labelling, as the Scientific Name becomes too long for a product label. Over the coming months, www.fishnames.com.au will be updated to remove "- undifferentiated". Once the process is completed, you will be advised through this e-newsletter.

Fish Names Committee (FNC) from FNC 40A

Here is the team working hard from FNC 40A

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Keep Updated on the Australian Standard for Fish Names

If you didn't receive this email directly and want to be added to our emailing list, please get in touch!

Keep Updated on the Australian Standard for Aquatic Plant Names

There is also an Australian Standard for Aquatic Plant Names (AS 5301). If you want to be added to this emailing list, please get in touch!

Please share this email through your networks

Kind regards,

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