

RESTRICTED FISHING IN THE COMMUNITY-BASED SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREAS OF 'ATATA, 'EUEIKI, OVAKA, FELEMEA, HA'AFEVA AND 'O'UA

This is a friendly reminder to the general public that only persons and fishing vessels who have been registered by the Coastal Community Management Committees (CCMCs) of the community-based Special Management Areas (SMAs) of 'Atata, 'Eueiki, Ovaka, Ha'afeva, Felemea and 'O'ua islands, are permitted to fish within their designated SMAs. This is in accordance to the Fisheries (Coastal Communities) Regulations 2009, in which penalties for illegal fishing activities can reach up to \$250,000. Any fishing activity is prohibited within their no-fishing zones (Fish Habitat Reserves (FHRs)), which applies to any person for the purpose of protecting marine life and habitats. For more information, please refer to the [Community-based Management Section of this website](#) or contact our Fisheries Division offices.