

Assented to in her Majesty's name and on Her Majesty's behalf this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December 2016.

Lisa Phillips  
Governor



**ASCENSION  
No. 8 of 2016**

Enacted.....21 December 2016  
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**AN ORDINANCE**

**to amend the Wildlife Protection Ordinance, 2013, so as revise and update the Schedule to the Ordinance.**

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Enacted by the Governor of Ascension after consultation with the Island Council.

**Citation and interpretation**

**1.** (1) This Ordinance may be cited as the Wildlife Protection (Amendment) Ordinance, 2016, and shall come into force on 21 December 2016.

(2) In this Ordinance, the “principal Ordinance” means the Wildlife Protection Ordinance, 2013.

**Amendment to Schedule**

**3.** The principle Ordinance is amended by revoking the Schedule thereto and substituting the following Schedule therefor:

## SCHEDULE

Item no.	Common name	Scientific name
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## Reptiles

1	Green turtles	<i>Chelonia mydas</i>
2	Hawksbill turtles	<i>Eretmochelys imbricata</i>

## Birds

3	Ascension Island frigate birds	<i>Fregata aquila</i>
4	Masked boobies	<i>Sula dactylatra</i>
5	Brown boobies	<i>Sula leucogaster</i>
6	Red-footed boobies	<i>Sula sula</i>
7	Sooty terns, also known as Wideawake terns	<i>Onychoprion fuscatus</i>
8	Fairy terns, also known as white terns	<i>Gygis alba</i>
9	Black noddies	<i>Anous minutus</i>
10	Brown noddies	<i>Anous stolidus</i>
11	Red-billed tropic birds	<i>Phaethon aethereus</i>
12	Yellow-billed tropic birds	<i>Phaethon lepturus</i>
13	Storm petrels	<i>Oceanodroma spp.</i>

## Mammals

14	Bottlenose dolphin	<i>Tursiops truncates</i>
15	Humpback whale	<i>Megaptera novaeangliae</i>

## Fish

16	Ascension snake eel	<i>Ichthyapus insularis</i>
17	Ascension scorpionfish	<i>Scorpaena ascensionis</i>
18	St Helena deepwater scorpion fish	<i>Pontinus nigropunctatus</i>
19	Ascension red scorpionfish	<i>Scorpaenodes insularis</i>
20	Resplendent angelfish	<i>Centropyge resplendens</i>
21	Ascension hawkfish	<i>Amblycirrhitus earnshawi</i>
22	Lubbock's gregory also known as yellowtail damselfish	<i>Stegastes lubbocki</i>
23	Auxillary spot cardinalfish	<i>Apogon axillaris</i>
24	St Helena wrasse	<i>Thalassoma sanctaehelenae</i>
25	Ascension wrasse	<i>Thalassoma ascensionis</i>
26	Ascension goby	<i>Priolepis ascensionis</i>
27	St Helena butterflyfish	<i>Chaetodon sanctaehelenae</i>
28	Bicolour butterflyfish also known as hedgehog butterflyfish	<i>Prognathodes dichrous</i>
29	Saint Helena sharpnose pufferfish	<i>Canthigaster sanctaehelenae</i>
30	Marmalade razorfish	<i>Xyrichtys blanchardi</i>
31	Yellow razorfish	<i>Xyrichtys sanctaehelenae</i>
32	Atlantic goliath grouper	<i>Epinephelus itajara</i>
33	Dog snapper	<i>Lutjanus jocu</i>
34	Mottled blenny	<i>Scartella nuchifilis</i>

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36	Island hogfish	<i>Bodianus insularis</i>
37	Strigate parrotfish	<i>Sparisoma strigatum</i>
38	St Helena sea perch	<i>Serranus sanctahelenae</i>
39	Ascension seabream	<i>Diplodus sargus ascensionis</i>

#### Sharks & rays

40	Whale shark	<i>Rhincodon typus</i>
41	Hammerhead shark	<i>Sphyrna spp.</i>
42	Tiger Shark	<i>Galeocerdo cuvier</i>
43	Galapagos shark	<i>Carcharhinus galapagensis</i>
44	Oceanic whitetip shark	<i>Cacharhinus longimanus</i>
45	Blue shark	<i>Prionace glauca</i>
46	Shortfin Mako shark	<i>Isurus oxyrinchus</i>
47	Bigeye Thresher shark	<i>Alopias superciliosus</i>
48	Six gill shark	<i>Hexanchus griseus</i>
49	Silky shark	<i>Carcharhinus falciformis</i>
50	Dusky Shark	<i>Carcharhinus obscurus</i>
51	Crocodile shark	<i>Pseudocarcharias kamoharai</i>
51	Cookie Cutter shark	<i>Isistius brasiliensis</i>
53	Pygmy shark	<i>Eurotomiscrus bispinatus</i>
54	Manta ray	<i>Manta spp.</i>
55	Devil ray	<i>Mobula tarapacana</i>

#### Invertebrates

56	Land crabs	<i>Johngarthia lagostoma</i>
57	Procaris shrimps	<i>Procaris ascensionis</i>
58	Typhlatya shrimps	<i>Typhlatya rogersi</i>
59	Female Spiny Lobster carrying eggs (berried female)	<i>Panulirus echinatus</i>
60	Giant pseudoscorpion	<i>Garypus titanius</i>
61	Green wire coral	<i>Stichopathes occidentalis</i>
62	Black fan coral	<i>Antipathella wollastoni</i>
63	Black coral	<i>Tanacetipathes sp</i>

#### Plants

64	Ascension Island parsley fern	<i>Anogramma ascensionis</i>
65	Marattia fern	<i>Ptisana purpurascens</i>
66	Pteris fern	<i>Pteris adscensionis</i>
67	Stenogrammatis fern	<i>Stenogrammatis ascensionense</i>
68	Ascension Island spleenwort	<i>Asplenium ascensionis</i>
69	Ascension Island spurge	<i>Euphorbia origanoides</i>
70	Sporobolus grass	<i>Sporobolus caespitosus</i>

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This explanatory note does not form part of the Ordinance)*

The purpose of this Ordinance to revise the list of prohibited wildlife product, focused on the marine wildlife in Ascension waters and introducing a revised and updated schedule retaining the original protected wildlife product and adding to the Schedule; 1 mammal (the humpback whale), 14 fish species, 13 sharks, 1 ray, and 3 black corals. There has also been a name change to the plant species *Xiphopteris* to *Stenogrammatis* to reflect an update in the scientific taxonomic nomenclature.