

**[ BFAR FISHERIES ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 225, s. 2007, January 08, 2007 ]**

**ALLOWING THE IMPORTATION OF THE BROODSTOCK OF PACIFIC WHITE SHRIMP, *PENAEUS VANNAMEI* AND THE CULTURE OF THE OFFSPRING THEREOF**

Following the successful experimental breeding by the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) of the Pacific White Shrimp, *Penaeus vannamei*, at the National Integrated Fisheries Technology Development Center (NIFTDC) in Bonoan-Binloc, Dagupan City and the culture of the fry produced therein in several accredited shrimp farms in Luzon from 2005 to 2006, during which the species demonstrated high productivity, profitability and low susceptibility to diseases, the existing ban on the import and culture of the said species as imposed by Fisheries Administrative Order 207 (FAO 207) Series of 2001 is hereby lifted under certain specific conditions and guidelines.

*SECTION 1. Definition* - The terms as used in this Order shall be construed as follows:

- a. Pacific White Shrimp - species of shrimp native to the Pacific side of South and Central America and classified scientifically under the binomial system of nomenclature as *Penaeus vannamei* or *Litopenaeus vannamei*. The species is also known as Whitelog Shrimp and may also be referred to as *P. Penaeus vannamei* or *L. vannamei*.
- b. Broodstock - sub-adult animal either male or female that shall be used for breeding purposes.
- c. Shrimp nauplius (plural nauplii) first larval stage of shrimp immediately upon hatching which still subsist on internal food reserve.
- d. Shrimp postlarva (plural postlarvae) - Stage of development of shrimps upon metamorphosing into a juvenile shrimp. May also be referred to as shrimp fry or in its abbreviated form as PL.
- e. Specific Pathogen Free - A condition indicating absence of specified disease organism or organisms as determined and certified as such by competent authority. May be abbreviated into SPF.
- f. Specific Pathogen Resistant - A condition indicating resistance to specified organism or organisms as determined and certified as such by competent authority. May be abbreviated into SPR.